Church of the Good Shepherd
United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
2nd Sunday After Epiphany and MLK Weekend

Sunday, January 19, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Broadcast Live to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

As we prepare for worship, let us be in prayer and meditation.
Please "Check In" on social media, then set all electronic devices to silent mode.
Remember to sign the attendance pad.
The Offering Box is located in the Sanctuary entryway.

Prelude "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" by Charles Converse
Franklyn Shen, Piano

The Chimes

Introit "This Is the Day" arr. J.L. Clark
Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Accompanist

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *Angela Zhang and Morgan Noonchester, Lay Readers*

Leader #1: Be still for a moment. What do you hear? What do you smell? What do you feel?
Leader #2: Beloved, God is here. In the familiar and the unfamiliar.
People: God is here with us. We share this music, this space, this sacred time.
Leader #1: Take a moment to look around. Whom do you notice?
Leader #2: Whether this community feels brand new or familiar to you, God is here.
People: God is here with us. We worship together in His presence, with His people.
All: May we join in God's work of forming us for community as we worship today. Amen.

**The congregation standing, if able.*

***Opening Hymn** "Gather Us In" TFWS #**2236**

The Word for Children **Children are invited to come sit in the front*

Anthem "Morning Has Broken" arr. Linda Lamb
Youth Bells; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem "Praise His Holy Name" by Keith Hampton
Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Accompanist

Scripture Lessons *Angela Zhang and Morgan Noonchester, Lay Readers*
Psalm 36:5-10
*John 2:1-11
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Come and Find the Quiet Center" TFWS #**2128**

Sermon "Gathering at His First Miracle" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "Spirit of God" TFWS # **2117**

***Benediction** *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Benediction Response** "A Closing Prayer" by Don Besig

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our sep'rate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.
May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ, His son
Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.

May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again.
A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men. A—men.

***Postlude** "Worthy of Worship" by Mark Blankenship
Franklyn Shen, Piano

**The congregation standing, if able.*

The flowers this morning are given memory of Otto Brazier's birthday by Diane Lucas.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Here are 2 ways to help our local UMC's and their members who have lost their buildings and homes:

Target Gift Cards

We are collecting Target gift cards for clothing and other immediate needs items. Please send gift cards of any denomination to the conference office for distribution: Denyse Barnes, c/o California-Pacific Annual Conference, P.O. Box 6006, Pasadena, CA 91102-6006.

Monetary Donations

We have set up a special fund – the Los Angeles Fires Recovery Fund – where you can contribute directly towards relief and recovery from the effects of the winds and firestorms this week: www.calpacumc.org/donate.

Check donations payable to the California-Pacific Conference can be mailed to California-Pacific Conference, Los Angeles Fires Recovery Fund, P.O. Box 6006, Pasadena CA 91102.

NORTH DISTRICT SERVICE OF LAMENT TODAY

Join us at **First UMC Pasadena this afternoon at 3:00 pm** for a service of lament, comfort, strength, support and healing.

Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank will bring a message of Lament and Hope.

There will also be resources of support, such as Gift Cards, Water, Masks, Clothes, Hub Insurance Reps, Grief Counselors, and a meal.

United Women in Faith/Sarah Circle is having a **Panera Fundraiser** to support missions on **Thursday, January 23rd.** Yum! They have a great selection of soups, salads, sandwiches and desserts. The location is 600 West Huntington Dr., Monrovia. See the flyer for details.

SCAM Alert! Be cautious! Delete any s**pam** or **fake emails and texts** from hackers impersonating Pastor Eva or any church staff. Pay attention to the sender's email address, which will not match the real one. If you are unsure about an email you have received. please contact the church office.

Remember to send your articles, announcements, etc. to **The Word** editor, Stephanie Shen at cgsarcadianewsletter@gmail.com by 3:00 pm Fridays. And for **Master Calendar** requests or changes, please contact Carolyn Noonchester at cgsmastercalendar@gmail.com and please allow time for response.

COMING EVENTS

January 23rd - UFW/Sarah Circle PANERA Fundraiser

January 25th - Church Council & 80th Anniversary Planning Meeting

Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Resident Bishop: Bishop Rev. Dr. Dottie Escobedo-Frank
District Superintendent: Rev. Moonyoung Lee
Pastor: Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministries: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission:
At Church of the Good Shepherd, God calls us to welcome all to a vibrant community on a continuing journey of Faith, Growth, Justice, and Service in the image of Christ.