Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Trinity Sunday and Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday, May 26, 2024 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.

Prelude "Amazing Grace" arr. Kane
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing:" arr. Dan Bird
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Passing of the Peace *Amy Crouse, Lay Reader*

***Call to Worship** *Amy Crouse, Lay Reader*

One: The earth is the Lord's. Everything in creation belongs to God.
Many: We look all around and see the mighty works of our Creator!

One: This is the Lord's house. Open your hearts and be filled with Christ's love.
Many: We receive our true identity through Christ, the Savior of the world!

One: This is the hour for the Holy Spirit, who comes and inspires our faith.
Many: We lift up our voices and praise the Lord with all our might!

***Opening Hymn** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" Red UM Hymnal #**64**

Children's Message *Cindy Ostry, Christian Education Director*
Children are invited to come sit in the front.* **Unison Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Holy God, source of all that is good, we gather before you seeking your grace and love. Be present in our lives. Fill us with your light. Be generous with your love. Count us among your children. Be compassionate toward our mistakes. Forgive our failings. Be gracious with your power. Strengthen us for your service. We ask these things through the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 "One Million Voices" by Brian Tate
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lesson *Amy Crouse, Lay Reader*

Ephesians 1:1-14

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Spirit Song" Red UM Hymnal #**347**

Sermon Message "Identity in Christ" *Israel Duarte, Guest Preacher*

Anthem Response "Indescribable" by Story and Reeves
Carolyn Noonchester, Soloist; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

Announcements *Amy Crouse, Lay Reader*

***Closing Hymn** "'Christ for the World We Sing" Red UM Hymnal #**568**

***Benediction** *Israel Duarte*

***Benediction Response** "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Red UM Hymnal **#431**

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our Creator, children all are we. Let

us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow; to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" arr. Cherwien
Stephen Cook

*****The congregation standing, if able.*

Our Memorial Day Flowers this morning are given in memory of all those who gave their lives serving their country. We also honor current and retired veterans. Please see the insert with the list of CGS Veterans.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Thank you to this morning's **Guest Preacher, Israel Duarte.** Israel is a seminary student at Claremont School of Theology. He is also a certified candidate in the East District in the ordination process pursuing the Elder Track.

United Women in Faith Fundraiser is on for ONE MORE THURSDAY this month! Alex Di Peppe's Italian Restaurant in Arcadia is the place. See the flyer for more information.

The Second Annual Avenue of the Churches Walk fundraiser for **Family Promise** will take place on **Saturday June 22nd.** Catherine Doster and the Walking Committee will be registering participants and donors after worship today! Thanks for supporting the organization's work!

Shepherds and ROI Fellowship Groups are inviting all to a night of **Quakes Baseball at the Epicenter in Rancho Cucamonga, August 3rd at 6:30 pm!** The Quakes are the L.A. Dodgers' A Team and will be playing the San Jose Giants. Fun for the whole family. Fireworks after the game! Call the church office to sign up. Money not due until July.

Adult Sunday School meets Sundays from 9:00-9:45 am in the Library. All are welcome! Co-teachers are Carolyn Iga and Don Thorsen. Contact Carolyn (carolyniga@gmail.com) or Don (donthorsen@alumni.stanford.edu) for class information.

2024 Altar Flowers – The cost for flowers is **$65**. Payment is via check, cash or online. Checks should be made out to Church of the Good Shepherd, with "Flowers" in the memo line. To place your request, please contact Suzanne Wright in the church office by phone, or email: swright@cgsum.org. Orders go to the florist on Thursdays.

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.

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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.