Church of the Good Shepherd

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

23rd Sunday after Pentecost – All Saints Sunday and Communion Sunday

Sunday, November 5, 2023 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 "Prelude on 'Middlebury'" arr. Peter Stearns
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing"
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *Kim Reynolds, Lay Reader*

One: For all the saints who poured love and wisdom into our lives,
Many: For all the saints whose smiles and touch we miss the most,

One: For all the saints who helped us find our voice,
Many: For all the saints whose lives continue in ours,

One: We honor you this day and lift your life up to God.
Many: We bear witness to your faith and how it will forever be a part of our lives.

***Opening Hymn** "For All the Saints" *(vs. 1-4)* Red UM Hymnal #**711**

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

Litany of Remembrance for Those Who Have Gone Before Us

Pastoral Prayer

(As each individual is named, chime will sound, then a moment of silence kept.)

Leader: Absent from our midst **People: Present with the Lord**

Shirley Hasseler ***Lynn Hoar*** ***Channing Lushbough***
Dean Sansui ***Robert (Bob) Serrano***

Unison Prayer (Adapted from Revelation 7:9-17)

God of all generations, as we worship today, we offer our whole selves to you, all that we have and all that we are. Like your saints who have gone before us, we pray that you will help us to be bold in our mission and in our witness. May we who have been given so much give freely, ministering in your compassion to the multitudes near and far, so that one day, we may stand amid the multitude of Saints that gather at your heavenly throne. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Redeemer, Christ our Lord. Amen.

***The Gloria Patri** *(Unison)* Red UM Hymnal **# 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Anthem "A City Called Heaven" by Josephine Poelinitz
Chancel Choir; Garrison Holder, Soloist; Kirk Averitt, Director

Stewardship Sharing *Heather Reynolds*

Scripture Lesson *Kim Reynolds, Lay Reader*

Leviticus 6:8-18

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"
Red UM Hymnal #**614**

Sermon Message "A Sacrifice of Thanksgiving" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Special Music "We Are the World" by Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie
Cabaret Preview - Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Accompanist

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Pastoral Prayer and Great Thanksgiving *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Christ's table is open to all. All persons who wish to walk in new life with Christ are invited to receive the wafer and juice, without regard to past history, denominational affiliation, or any of the wonderful ways that God has made each of us unique beings. Please come forward at the ushers' direction. You may go to the altar rail, kneel in prayer, and there receive the elements.

The Prayer After Receiving and the Lord's Prayer *(Unison)*

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.

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" Red UM Hymnal #**712**

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

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 "God of Grace and Glory " arr. Kerr

Stephen Cook

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

The Chancel Flowers this morning are given: in celebration of Craig Lucas's birthday by Diane, Addie and Eleanor.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

The 24th Annual Youth Cabaret is tonight! There are two performances – at 5 pm and 7 pm. Don't miss **Billboard #1 Hits,** an original musical that is once again written and choreographed by our own Janice Clark. The stars are our youth, so come and enjoy!

Time Change Sunday - Did set your clocks **back one hour?** It's Time Change Sunday, so please drop your change into the yellow buckets held by United Women in Faith (formerly UMW). Donations will be used toward the dedication plaque for the beautiful statue being placed in the Garden of Healing at Arcadia USC Hospital. See the article in this week's Word for a photo and details.

Shepherds will have our traditional Thanksgiving dinner for our November meeting on the 14th in Jordan Hall at 6:00pm. There will be a $10 charge per person for the turkey. Please RSVP to Lynne Whitaker by email (vlwhit@sbcglobal.net) or by other means by the 8th only if you are coming. You can volunteer a food assignment, or she can give you one. You will need dishes. Water will be served. Our program is "Giving Thanks". Opportunities will be given to tell personal stories about giving thanks and Thanksgiving.

2023 Altar Flowers – To sign up for altar flowers, enter your information in the Flower Chart in the narthex or call the church office. Cost is **$60** (check, cash, or online).

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 Music Ministries: Stephen Cook
Director of 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.