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The Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church

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Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Please join us for ONLINE Sunday Worship Services during February 2022

(Church Website or Facebook Group Page)

Sunday, February 13, 2022

This Sunday Worship Online Only

Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
Scripture: Psalm 1 and Luke 6:17-26
Sermon: "Go and Be Blessed"
Pastor Eva Thai-Erwin, Preaching
Prelude: "Prelude in F Major" by Johann Albrechtsberger
Postlude: "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise" arr. Jordan
Stephen Cook, Director of Music on Organ
Introit: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. Bird
Special Music and Anthem: "A Canonic Processional" arr. Lon Beery;
Kenneth Landaverde, solo.
Congregational Hymns from the United Methodist Hymnal:
"God, Whose Love Is Reigning O'er Us" #100 vs. 1-2, 4-5 (not singing vs. 3)",
"Wonderful Words of Life #600", "The Gift of Love #408"

Sunday School for preschoolers and elementary grade kids is again meeting by Zoom **Sunday mornings, 9:15-9:45.** Please contact Heather Reynolds (khreynolds89@earthlink.net or 626-272-6629) for the zoom info and other information.



2022 Flower Chart

Sign up for altar flowers by calling the church office, 626-447-2181, to give flowers "in honor of" or "in memory of" loved ones (or in celebration of an anniversary, birthday, special event or accomplishment). The cost of the flowers is $50 (payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd"). Please mail the check to the church and write "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. Or you may pay for flowers online through the church website. The church office will place your order with ZuZu's Petals of Arcadia and have the personalized message announced in church by Pastor Eva on the appropriate Sunday as well as in the Sunday bulletin and the following week's newsletter. After the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service that Sunday, you may take your flowers home with you or let us know and we will have them in the church office on Monday morning after 9:00 a.m. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship center.

Among the Church Family

In Our Prayers:

Please continue to keep everyone previously mentioned in your prayers.

Prayers for **Donna Graham** upon the passing of her husband **Bob Graham** on February 4, 2022. Condolences and blessing to the entire family including daughter **Jannie Graham,** and grandchildren **Kirstie** and **Bobby**. Services are pending.

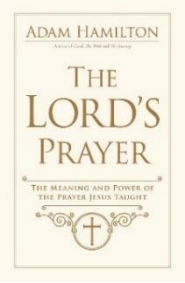
Condolences and prayers to the entire Olson family upon the passing of beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, **Jackie Olson** on February 5, 2022. Services are pending.

Prayers for **Charles Richardson** and family on the passing of his sister, **Kathleen**, in Texas. Condolences to the family, and prayers for them as they travel to Texas later this month for her memorial service.

The Rev. James Thomann, a retired member of the California-Pacific Conference and former Associate Pastor here at CGS, died on January 22, 2022. Jim is survived by Rev. Dr. Dwight and Mrs. Valerie Sullivan. Condolences may be sent to The Sullivan Family, 10428 Pounds Ave., Whittier, CA 90603-2628. No memorial service is planned at this time.

ALTERNATIVE MARKET:

Thank you to everyone who participated in our virtual Alternative Christmas Market! All these gifts were given to family and friends and then again locally and globally! The following amounts are being sent to Church World Service $964, Trees for Life $265, FINCA $225, Union Station $395, Heifer Project International $1500, Habitat for Humanity SGV $470, Family Promise $1480. Wonderful gifts CGS!



CGS BOOK STUDY FOR LENT 2022

Our 2022 Lenten book study will be based on *The Lord's Prayer: The Meaning and Power of the Prayer Jesus Taught* by Pastor Adam Hamilton.

The discussions will be 6 Mondays, February 28 through April 4, 2022, 7:00PM to 8:00PM via ZOOM. The 1-hour meeting will include a 15-minute DVD of Pastor Hamilton's sharing his thoughts followed by our discussing the main points of the book, related scripture, and DVD.

We know the Lord's Prayer by heart; we pray it often. But do we really understand and appreciate the meaning and power of its words, what we ask of God each time we pray it? Each week we will explore a different line of the prayer and its meaning in the Bible, in prayer, and our lives.

The book is available from Cokesbury or Amazon.

Please let Diane Lucas know (dlucasarc@gmail.com) if you will be attending so she can send the weekly Zoom link to you.

We look forward to our meaningful time together! ***-Diane & Craig Lucas***



Church Peace Pole and Painted Prayer Rocks

While the church campus remains closed for the month of February, members are encouraged to visit the church's Peace Pole located outside next to the church library off Holly Avenue. The wonderful rocks that members painted in November have been placed around the base of the Peace Pole. Thank you to Kathleen Ng, Jenny and Katie Lee for glazing and placing the rocks. And thank you to Mary Archibald for painting and glazing additional rocks. Everyone is encouraged to spend time at this location in prayer or scripture reading, and all are welcome to take a rock home with them. New painted rocks can be dropped off at the church office to be glazed and placed at the Peace Pole as well.



Please Pledge for 2022 by This Wednesday, February 9

2022 Pledge Cards can still be turned in to the church office by this Wednesday, February 9! Each Financial and Stewardship Commitment is greatly appreciated as it helps the church continue its ministries and mission.

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Church of the Good Shepherd

"Where God's Love Lives"-- Pledge Card for 2022

Name: _____

Address:_____

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Phone: _____

Email: _____

Effective Date: _____

Amount:

❑ $ _____ Weekly (Estimated Annual Pledge $_____)

❑ $_____ Monthly (Estimated Annual Pledge $_____)

❑ $ _____ Quarterly (Estimated Annual Pledge $_____)

❑ $ _____ Annually, or:

❑ $_____ One-time Gift

Date CGS will receive my/our Quarterly/Annual/One-time Gift: _____

I/we choose to give our financial gifts electronically.
(Please check one of the options below)

❑ I/we currently have a form **on file** – please update the Authorization Form for Automatic Withdrawal of Funds to reflect this current pledge

❑ I/we am/are **new** to electronic giving - please find the completed Authorization Form for Automatic Withdrawal of Funds form attached

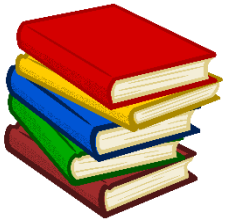
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Above is a copy of our 2022 pledge card that you can cut out and turn in if you're missing your card. You may also contact the church office, 626-447-2181, if you need the Direct Deposit form.

2022 Memorial/Veteran's Day Flowers



It has become a tradition at our church to have special Chancel Flowers on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day in honor of **all** those who have served or are currently serving in our country's armed forces. We would like to honor your service, or the service of a loved one, by adding your name, rank and the branch in which you served to our list. We invite you to give a donation to the flower fund to keep this tradition going. Checks should be made payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd" and turned into the office with "Veterans' Flowers" on the memo line of the check. Suggested annual donation of $20 covers both holidays. Those making a donation will be shown with an asterisk, but all who have served or are currently serving will be listed.



Women's Book Study

The Women's Book Study will begin reading and discussing The Women of the Bible Speak starting March 2 at 12:00 noon. Location TBA.

For further information contact Leslie Kenan at leskenan@gmail.com.

REMINDER: DO NOT respond to fake emails that claim to be from Pastor Eva but are not from her umcpastoreva@gmail.com email and are asking for favors, money, gift cards, etc.

We will continue to be a closed campus for the month of February. So, no in-person worship services again this month, February 2022.

In February 2022, Sunday worship services will continue with online only. We will not have in-person worship services or meetings for the month of February.

This is due to the unfortunate surge of the Omicron Covid 19 variant and hearing concerns from church members. So, after further consultation with our parish nurses, a nurse practitioner, some worship team leaders, and discernment in prayer, we believe it is best to keep everyone safe this month.

We will continue to offer our wonderful online worship services with music from section leaders, the assigned Lay Reader, and the amazing AV team.



Please join us online for worship this month!

Together in Christ's Service,
Pastor Eva

Sunday Service Broadcast Live at 10:00 am to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

open hearts,
open minds,
open doors

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