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The Word
of the
Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

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Join us for Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m. IN-PERSON in our Sanctuary
Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Friday, April 18th - Good Friday Service in the Chapel

Holy Communion and Crown of Prayers
"The Cross to Bear", Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor



Sunday, April 20th - Easter Sunday

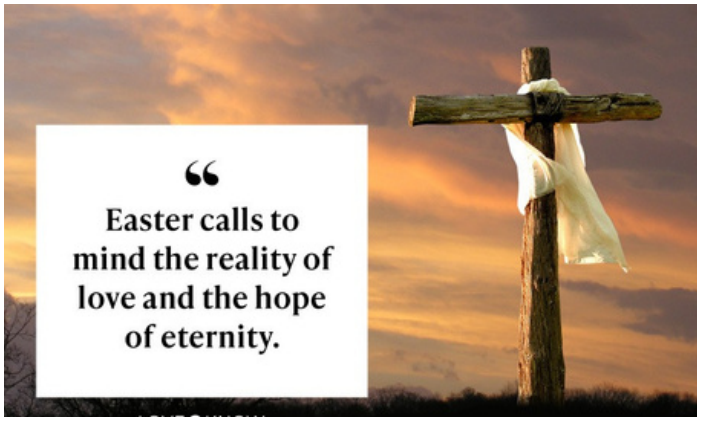
<u>6:00am - Sunrise Service in the Courtyard</u>
Youth Choir: "Roll the Stone Away" by J.L. Clark;
"Oh, Happy Day!" Spiritual, arr. from Sister Act 11;
Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Accompanist
Performances by the Youth Bells - Carolyn Noonchester, Director

<u>10:00am - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary</u>
Scriptures: Isaiah 65:17-21 and Luke 24:1-12
Sermon: "The New Path to Take", Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Chancel Choir, Brass, and Bells: "Easter Introit" by John Thornburg and John Ferguson
Chancel Choir: "Lift High the Cross" arr. Nichols; Hallelujah Chorus

<u>11:15am - Fellowship Time</u>
Coffee and Refreshments in the Hall and Children's Easter Egg Hunt in the Courtyard

Please note that the Church Office will be closed on April 17th and 18th.

All articles, photos, and announcements are **due by 3:00 p.m. Friday** for the following week's newsletter and should be emailed to **cgsarcadianewsletter@gmail.com.**



EASTER OFFERING REMINDER

Easter Sunday is just a few days away! It will be a time to shout Alleluia and to celebrate the Risen Christ! For Church of the Good Shepherd this season will be especially meaningful as we also prepare for our 80th Anniversary Celebration on June 1st.

Here is the reminder for you to bring your Easter Offering to church. We will collect the Easter Offering during the Easter worship services. Special Easter giving envelopes will be provided. Or you are welcome to mail or drop off your Easter offering to the church any time in April. On-line giving is also available via the church website: www.cgsum.org (select the GIVE tab in the top right-hand corner and on the giving form- check the Easter Offering box and enter payment amount and required info).

Sarah Circle

Sarah Circle is collecting old, clean towels for the San Gabriel Valley Humane Society. Wash cloths, hand towels, bath towels, and bath mats will be greatly appreciated. During the week, please drop off your donations in the Church Office. On Sundays, you can drop them off in Fellowship Hall at the north wall.

May 3rd - Walk for Sierra Service Project

The Youth and I are signing up donors and walkers that want to help support our youth in their upcoming summer project in San Diego.

- The cost is $30.00 per individual
- Sign up after church on April 13th, 20th, and 27th
- You don’t have to walk, but helping financially would be great!

The Youth and I thank you for your continued support! -*Catherine Doster*

Please join the book group on April 9 at 11:30am as we begin a new novel, *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post.*

REMINDER- RSVP for the June 1st Anniversary Luncheon by May 1st- see invite on the next page.
RSVP and Pay through the church website (www.cgsum.org) or after worship on Sundays April 13, 20, & 27.



JOIN US FOR THE

Church of the Good Shepherd 80th Anniversary Celebration

JUNE 1, 2025

10 a.m. Celebration Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour Mixer
12:30 p.m. Luncheon will be served

$25 per person • $10 child's box lunch
RSVP by May 1, 2025 as seating is limited

Online reply and payment preferred
or RSVP after Sunday Service

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Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

Upcoming Events:

- April 18th Good Friday Chapel Service (7:00pm)
- April 20th Easter Sunday Services and Children's Easter Egg Hunt
- May 3rd Annual Walk-a-thon- more details to come
- June 1st 80th Anniversary Event with 10am Worship, 11:30am Coffee Fellowship, and 12:30pm Luncheon- see invite and RSVP for the Luncheon by May 1st!

Plus join us Sundays for Adult Sunday school (9:00am), Worship (10:00am), Children and Youth Sunday school (10:15am) and Fellowship Time after worship in the hall with coffee & refreshments. Nursery Care is provided beginning at 9:30am.

Interested in Church Membership? Orientation Sessions will be held in May and new members will be invited to join the church in June. Contact Pastor Eva for more details.

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission Statement:
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.