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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

Sunday, April 13th - Palm Sunday

Attendance pads are in the pews. The Offering box is located in the Narthex.
Easter Offering Envelopes will be availabe as well.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 118: 19 - 24 and Luke 19: 28 - 40
Sermon Title: "Symbols of Lent: Cloaks of Respect"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Ride On, King Jesus" arr. Sprunger
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Bell Choir and Children's Choir: "Hosanna Loud Hosanna" by Catherine Youngblood
Chancel Choir: "How Beautiful" by Twila Paris
Kirk Averitt, Chancel Choir Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

The April 6th Altar Flowers were given in loving memory of Joyce Brownfield and 53 years of friendship, by Suzanne Wright.



PALM SUNDAY, April 13, 10:00am Worship Service
- includes Chancel, Children's, and Bell Choir music
- Children are encouraged to line up 10 minutes before worship to receive Palm branches to be waved as they enter worship!

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18, 7:00pm Chapel Service
- with Holy Communion and Crown of Prayers

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20th Services & Events
- 6:00am Sunrise Service in the Courtyard
- 10:00am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
- 11:15am Coffee & Refreshments Fellowship 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.**



The Beautiful Sacred Music of Faure's Requiem Filled the Sanctuary During the March 30th Service!

Gabriel Faure's beloved Requiem, was presented by the Church of the Good Shepherd Cancel Choir in collaboration with choirs from Citrus College and CSArts, and accompanied by the CSArts philharmonic orchestra. This extraordinary musical event brought together over 140 musicians for a moving and transcendent experience in the Lenten Season. The church is thankful for the work and dedication of the Chancel Choir Director, Kirk Avert, and to the Church Foundation for the generous grant that funded this event. We also hope you join us on Easter Sunday for youth choir music at the 6:00am Sunrise Service and the chancel choir and the traditional brass ensemble at 10:00am.

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.

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.