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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 21st - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Attendance pads are in the pews. Masks are no longer required, but are encouraged for those who have high risk factors. The Offering Box is located in the Narthex.

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 84: 5-9 and John 21: 1-13
Sermon: "Take Time to Fish with Jesus"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "What Wondrous Love" arr. Shackley
Postlude: "Intonation on "Old 100th"" arr. Bender
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Children's Choir: "I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N" (Traditional)
Diane Lucas, Director; Janice Clark, Accompanist
Chancel Choir: "Praise the Lord, His Glories Show" arr. Dan Bird;
"The Road Not Taken" by Randall Thompson
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist
Solo by Garrison Holder

Spring Family Game Day & BBQ
This Sunday, April 21st



Please join us for some fun family games, fun for all ages! We will also have a barbecue with all the fixings! And, most importantly, fellowship with other families. RSVP to the Church Office, 626-447-2181, or to Cindy Ostry. *This is a free family event thanks to a grant from the Good Shepherd Foundation.*

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 ARCADIA INTERFAITH ACTION GROUP
cordially invites you to attend our
Interfaith National Day of Prayer Service
on
Thursday, May 2nd, 7:00 p.m.
at
THE SANTA ANITA CHURCH
226 W. Colorado Bl., Arcadia, CA 91007
Theme: We will be praying for "HOPE"
A Collection will be hosted benefiting Foothill Unity Center

United Women in Faith Fundraiser

United Women in Faith is excited to announce that Alex DiPeppe's Restaurant in Arcadia is participating with us in a fundraiser. Proceeds from a percentage of sales will go to mission projects supported by UWiF. It will be for *Every Thursday for the Whole Month of May!!!* This local, longtime favorite eatery specializes in Pizza, Pasta, and More. Flyers will be available April 28th.

Adult Sunday School Class

Adult Sunday School Class meets every Sunday at 9:00am-9:45am in the Church Library. All are welcome! Carolyn Iga and Don Thorsen will co-teach the class. On April 21st we will start a new series on Wisdom Literature: "The Human Experience" and we will look at the book of Job. We invite you to meet with us in followship and prayer as well as in studying Scripture. For information about the class, contact Carolyn (carolyniga@gmail.com) or Don (donthorsen@alumni.stanford.edu).

Mother's Day Worship Service - May 12th

Please join us for this special service honoring mothers and the women who helped raised us. We will also baptize infants, children, and youth during this worship service. Parents must attend the **Baptism Orientation this Sunday, April 21st at 12pm (Noon)** in the Lounge (or at another date/time arranged with Pastor Eva). Please RSVP to the Church Office, 626-447-2181, or to Pastor Eva (pastoreva@cgsum.org).

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD JOB OPENING: PART TIME CUSTODIAN

- 20 hours per week: 5 hours on Sundays 8:30am-1:30pm, remaining 15 hours during the week to be set by the hired Custodian and the Pastor
- Pay $20/hour (or more based on experience)
- Duties Include: Cleaning of Church Rooms and Spaces, Set Up for Church Events, Light Maintenance Work, and other duties as described in the Job Description
- Please contact Pastor Eva for the job description and more info: pastoreva@cgsum.org

Thank You for Your Financial Gifts to CGS!



Your generous pledge and special offering commitments help fund the worship, education, outreach, and fellowship ministries of the church; as well as the bulding, maintenance, and staff expenses! If you haven't turned in your 2024 Pledge or Easter Offeringe- there's still time! Please turn them in this month.

United Methodist General Conference Meets from April 23rd - May 3rd



Every 4 years*, elected United Methodist Delegates from all over the world gather for General Conference. General Conference serves as the legislative body of the UMC where rules, policies, and principals are set. Pastor Eva, who attended GC as a lay deleage in 2000 and 2004, will lead a basic info session after worship on Sunday, April 28th.

Below are Resources for General Conference that can be found on the official website: resourceumc.org

- The video "What is... the General Conference?" provides a quick overview of General Conference and how it serves the denomination.
- A General Conference page on UMC.org offers a curated collection of member-friendly explanations.
- Ask The UMC is a key source of information. An article that might be of interest is "How are General Conference delegates chosen?"
- The name of the General Conference taking place in 2024* is actually the 2020 General Conference. Learn more in the video "2020 General Conference...in 2024."
- Those yearning to learn more about how General Conference works are encouraged to register for the free, on-demand training course "Exploring General Conference."

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PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK:

God of Hope, We see your love poured out for us in all the world.
Make us more like you. Teach us to live together as one community
human and beyond-human, creature and created to your glory,
so your love is known among all the living. Amen.
Written by Rev. Laurie Bayen and Rev. Laura Baumgartner

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission Statement:
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.