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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
Sunday Nursery Care available starting at 9:30am
Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Sunday, August 30th - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship in the Chapel

Attendance pads and cards are in the pews.
The Offeratory Box is located in the back of the Chapel.

Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Senior Pastor
Prelude: "My Shepherd Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" arr. Carter
Postlude: "Thou, O Lord, Shall Endure" by Raymond Herbek
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The August 16th Altar Flowers were given in celebration of Morgan Nooncheester's 13th birthday from Mom, Dad, and Logan.

The August 23rd Altar Flowers were given in celebration of Diane Lucas's birthday by Craig, Addie, and Ellie; and in loving memory of the birthday of Ken Blair's mother, Elizabeth D. Blair, by Ken and Margaret Blair.

Sunday, September 6th - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Labor Day Weekend and Worship in the Chapel

Attendance pads and cards are in the pews.
The Offeratory Box is located in the back of the Chapel.

Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Senior Pastor, Preaching
Prelude and Postlude by Stephen Cook, Director of Music

Beginning June 1st- the Newsletter will be published every other week.
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.**

Recap of SSP Sunday and Luncheon





Thank you again for supporting the youth and coming to the SSP Service on Sunday, August 16th. Extra special thanks to Kevin and James for grilling and Jenny for set up!

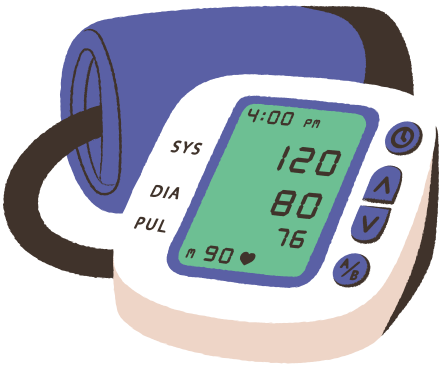
The bulletin did not have all the participant names listed. Click on the following link (https://bit.ly/4gkLoHT) or scan the QR code to see the full Master list.

Please contact Franklyn Shen (fnjshen@sbcglobal.net) if you see any additional errors or omissions.

Blood Pressure Screening - September 20th

Health Ministries is holding free blood pressure screenings on Sunday, September 20th in the Lounge after the service. No reservation is required.

For the best reading, we recommend wearing a short sleeved top and minimizing caffeine intake before having your BP taken.



Book Group

The Wednesday Book Group is currently reading *My Friends.* Beginning Sept. 9th, we will read and discuss *The Book Club for Troublesome Women.* Join us in the library at 11:30!



Much Appreciation to Our Church Staff!

The SPRC Committee recognizes the church staff and all the work they do for the church. A special luncheon for the staff will be held in September. The SPRC Committee will host this event for them. SPRC members are: Vince Pang (Chair), Leslie Kenan (Secretary), Robin Graney, Lynne Rivera, Margaret Blair, and Joe D'Amore. The list of staff will be posted in a future newsletter.

Half Year Contribution Statements Are Out

The Finance Committee is thankful for the financial generosity of members and friends. The ½ year contribution letters were emailed out the last week of July. Please check your email for the statement and contact the church if corrections are needed. Paper copies were mailed to persons who do not have email access.

The Church appreciates the 2026 Finance Committee Members: Natalie Poole (Chair), Jenny Lee (Treasurer), Vince Pang (SPRC), Ken Blair (Trustees), John Pattison (Trustees), Tom Dukes (Trustees), and Amy Jhanke (Staff- Finance Secretary).







Scenes from Sunday, August 23rd

Future Sundays Include:

- ***August 30th Summer Chapel***
- ***September 6th Summer Chapel***
- ***September 13th Sanctuary Service with Communion***

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Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

Choirs Will Begin Again in September!

Good Shepherd has many wonderful choirs and all are invited to join. Chancel Choir rehearses most Sundays before worship. Carillon (Adult Bells) Choir meets Wednesday evenings. Youth Choir and Youth Bells meet Sundays after worship. Stay tuned for more info.

Upcoming Newsletters Will Be Published on the Following Dates:

September 7th & September 21st; October 5th & October 19th; November 2nd & November 16th; December 1st & December 14th. Reminder- articles, photos, and announcements are due by 3:00 p.m. the Friday before the publication date. Email items to cgsarcadianewsletter@gmail.com

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.