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Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

The Church of the Good Shepherd

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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, September 3rd - 14th Sunday after Pentecost
Labor Day Weekend and Holy Communion Sunday

Please enter the Sanctuary worship through the double doors off the parking lot.
Name tags and check-in are not needed. Attendance pads are in the pews.
Masks are no longer required, but are encouraged for those who have high risk factors.
The Offeratory Box is located in the Narthex.

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 26: 1-8 and Luke 14: 1-14
Sermon: "Humility and Hospitality"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor Preaching
Prelude: "I Love You, Lord" by Laurie Klein, arr. by Rafael Griffin
Postlude: "Crown Him With Many Crowns" by George Elvey
Franklyn Shen, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Special Music: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" by Thomas A. Dorsey, arr. by J.L. Clark; "Blest Be The Ties That Bind" by Johann G. Nageli, arr. by J.L. Clark
Janice Clark, Alto and Bell Tree; Franklyn Shen, Piano

The Chapel Altar Flowers on Aug. 27th were given:
in honor of Diane Lucas's birthday by Addie, Ellie, and Craig;
and in honor of Pastor Eva and Phil's ministry at CGS by Kevin and Cindy Snavely

Save the Dates for these Events in Septmeber.....



Sunday, Sept. 10th
Choir Begins for Adults,
Children, Youth, & Bells!



Tuesday, Sept. 19th
Panera Fundraiser for
CGS United Women in Faith



Sunday, Sept. 24th
Food, Music, Ministry
Tables, and Fun for Children

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.**

"Parenting the Love and Logic Way"

Learn to parent in an enjoyable manner. Help your child become responsible and respectful. Learn to:

- Avoid un-winnable power struggles and arguments
- Stay clam when your kids do incredibly upsetting things
- Set enforceable limits - Avoid enabling and begin empowering
- Help your child learn from mistakes rather than repeating them

Parenting couples are encouraged to both attend - childcare will be provided. Registration and more information can be found on the church website or in the church office.

When: *Six Lessons from Sunday, October 1, 2023 to November 5, 2023 (2:30pm - 4:30pm)*
Cost: *$25 per participant (includes workbook for each parent and childcare)*

Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Conversational ESL Classes Begin Soon

The Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Conversational English Classes are scheduled to begin on Friday, September 1 from 9:30am-11am. The Beginning and Intermediate class will meet online on Zoom. For information and the Zoom Invitation to this class, please contact the Church Office or Mike and Rowena Johnson at m.johnsonsmbel@gmail.com or rowezeng@gmail.com

The Advanced class will be held in person in the Church Library from 9:30am-11am and online on Zoom. For more information and the Zoom invitation to this class, please contact the Church Office or Sandra Jelinek at sjelin2@aol.com.

Children's Choir Begins September 10th

Children's Choir at CGS will start rehearsals on Sunday, September 10th. Children currently in elementary school are invited to "make a joyful noise to the Lord." We meet Sundays in the Music Room (directly behind the Narthex at back of the sanctuary) after Sunday School from approximately 11:15 to 11:45am. Regular attendance at the weekly choir rehearsals is important to prepare to sing each month at the 10:00am church service.

More information regarding choir will be shared at our first rehearsal. I look forward to this beginning.
Diane Lucas, Children's Choir Director (dlucasarc@gmail.com)

Youth Ministries

All current 6th to 12th graders are invited to join Youth Group, Youth Choir, and Youth Bells beginning September 10th.

9:45am - UMYF // Franklyn Shen, Youth Director //
(fnjshen@sbcglobal.net)
11:15am - 12:00pm - Youth Bells // Carolyn Noonchester, Bells Director //
(cgsbells@gmail.com)
12:30pm - 2:30pm - Youth Choir // Janice Clark, Youth Choir Director//
(janiceclark@ausd.net)

Sarah Circle Meeting: "From Grandma's Treasure Chest"

After a summer hiatus, Sarah Circle will resume their monthly meetings on Thursday, September 7th at 7PM in Jordan (Fellowship) Hall. If you have not joined us before, we would love to see you! Our agenda will include our upcoming Book Sale and donating some of our group funds toward the disasters in Hawaii, including Maui & the Lahaina UMC, which was destroyed.

For our program, we ask that attendees bring an item from their past to share. This can be a special plate your grandmother used for birthday cakes, a pillow with a special history, a picture, whatever!

We are still collecting items for our UMCOR Menstrual Hygiene Kits, which we will assemble at our October meeting. We still need these specific items:

- 2 oz (non pump style) hand sanitzers
- 4-gallon bathroom trash bags
- size "regular" and size "super" unscented tampons
- size long super ultra-thin unscented sanitary napkins
- unscented flushable wipes (42-count packages)

Contact Margaret Blair (kdblair@earthlink.net) for more information regarding the meeting, Sarah Circle & United Women in Faith.

Equip, Inspire, and Strengthen thru Ignite 2023 Online 9/27-29!



Are you committed to helping our church do everything it can to share God's love with your community? If you answered YES, then the Ignite Leadership Institute Conference is for you!

Join us for the following Online Viewing Sessions at Church:

- 9/27, Wed. (4:30-7:30pm PST) Opening Worship, Dinner Provided
- 9/28, Thurs. (9:00am-3:00pm PST) Special Sessions (Hospitality, Sustainable Churches, Compassionate Church Ministries, Fresh and Innovative Ministry Ideas, and more!) , Lunch Provided
- 9/29, Fri. (8:30-10:30am PST) Closing w/Rev. Hamilton, Breakfast

Please sign up for the with Pastor Eva by Sept. 20th to participate in one or all of the sessions. The above sessions and other optional sessions may also be viewed from your own home, office, or location of your choice.

Love. Grow. Serve.

Pentecost 5 Questions Series- NEW Question #4!

What ministries (current ones or new ones that are needed) will bring new people to church?

Fill in answer below and turn in to Pastor Eva in person or email to PastorEva@cgsum.org

Name (optional):_____

Answer:

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From July 1st District Superintendent: Rev. MoonYoung Lee



Prayer for the Week (based on Psalm 28:1-3)
Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering. Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.

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.