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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, February 18th - 1st Sunday in Lent

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 Lesson: Genesis 9: 8-17 and Mark 1: 9-15
Lenten Sermon Series: "Loving God With All Mind, Heart, Soul, and Strength"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Day by Day" arr. Porter
Postlude: "Dialogue" by Adriano Banchien
Stephen Cook, Director of Music;
Chancel Choir: "What Wondrous Love is This" arr. Paul Christiansen;
"Dove Over Jordan" by Malcom Williamson;
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist;
Special Music: "Ancient Words" by Lynn DeShazo

The February 11th Chancel Flowers were given in memory of Frances "Jim" Wright's birthday by Suzanne Wright.

Ash Wednesday Service - February 14th, 7:00pm, in the Chapel

Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Change my Heart, O God" by Eddie Espinosa
Postlude: "People Need the Lord" by Phill McHugh and Greg Nelson
Franklyn Shen, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Special Music: "Doubting Thomas" by Nickel Creek
Kirk Averitt, Chancel Choir Director

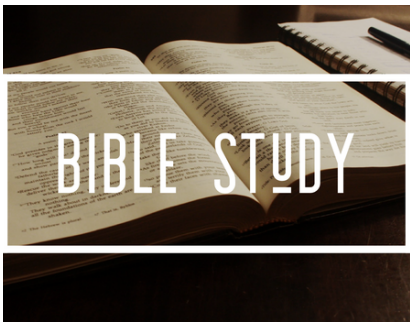
Among the Church Family

Let us keep the family of Florence Kovacic in our prayers. She passed away peacefully this week. The memorial service will be held on Monday, February 19th in the Sanctuary at 11:00am. Donations in her memory may be given to Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church or Foothill Unity. Please note Florence Kovacic memorial in the memo line.



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.**

New Adult Sunday School Class Begins This Sunday, Feb. 18th at 9:00am



A new Adult Sunday School Class will begin on Sunday, Feb. 18th, at 9:00am-9:45am, in the Church Library. All are welcome! Carolyn Iga and Don Thorsen will co-teach the class, and they will begin with a study of the Book of Philippians. We invite you to meet with us in fellowship and prayer as well as in studying Scripture. For information about the class, contact Carolyn (carolyniga@gmail.com) or Don (donthorsen@alumni.stanford.edu).

CGS COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHT: SPRC

The SPRC (Staff Pastor-Parish Relations Committee) acts as the Human Resources Board for the church. This includes hiring, reviewing, and support for the Staff and Pastor. The church currenlty employees 18 staff persons and 1 Senior Pastor. SPRC is also working on additional staff for 2024! Members are: Amy Crouse, Joe D'Amore, Robin Graney, Leslie Kenan, Maribel Quismorio, Jacki Raymond, Lynne Rivera, and Nora Wilson.





Blaze Pizza will donate 20% of proceeds from your meal back to our organization.

Enjoy yourself and support our cause at a special fundraising event for:

Organization name: Church of the Good Shepherd Children's Center
Date: February 22, 2024
Time: 4pm to 8pm
Location: 815 W Naomi Ave Unit C, Arcadia
Order Mode: In-Restaurant, Blaze Pizza App, Blazepizza.com

TWO WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR ORGANIZATION:

In-Restaurant: Bring in this flyer or show it on your phone before paying.

Online Orders: Orders must be placed online via the Blaze Pizza App or blazepizza.com.

Enter code **1333A** the 'Promo Code' field at checkout to have your transaction count toward the fundraiser. If entered correctly, you'll see a $.01 discount applied to your check which that 20% of your transaction will be counted into the total donation.
VALID FOR PICKUP, CURBSIDE & CARRYOUT ONLY.

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BLAZE PIZZA

VALID FOR DINE-IN, PICKUP, CURBSIDE & CARRYOUT ONLY THROUGH THE BLAZE PIZZA APP & WEBSITE. For online orders, only transactions that have the promo code applied during the time and date specified above will be counted toward the donation total. Donation amount excludes proceeds from tax and gift card purchases. Excludes 3rd party delivery or phone orders. Alcoholic beverages excluded. Event proceeds void if flyers are distributed in or near the restaurant.

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District Superintendent: Rev. Moonyoung Lee
Pastor: Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Fanklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

Ash Wednesday Service- This Wednesday in the Chapel at 7:00pm

Daily Lenten Prayer Focus: For the Physically and Spiritually Hungry
Feb. 14th Pray for those who feel Unseen and Unloved
Feb. 15th Pray for those struggling with Depression
Feb. 16th Pray for those w/Joint and Back Concerns
Feb. 17th Pray for those who are Feeling Alone
Feb. 19th Pray for those who are emplyed over 40 hrs/wk
Complete 40 Day Lenten Prayer Calendar will be available at the Ash Wednesday Service.

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.