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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, July 7th - 7th Sunday after Pentecost
Heritage Sunday, Holy Communion,
and 4th of July Independence Celebration!

Attendance pads are in the pews. The Offering Box is located in the Narthex.

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 139: 1-6 and 2 Corinthians 8: 16-24
Sermon: "Take Time with the Holy Spirit: Proclamation"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Meditation on "America""
Postlude: "Trumpet Voluntary" by Gordon Young
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Summer Choir: "Simple Gifts" arr. Aaron Copland;
"We Are the Voice" by Stan Spotswood;
Solo by Susan Holder
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

The June 30th altar flowers were given in celebration of Pastor Eva's mother's birthday in June and father's birthday in July.

Church of the Good Shepherd Heritage Sunday Worship Services: July 7th, August 4th, and September 1st



We will begin Heritage Sunday worship services on the first Sunday of each month! These worship services will honor our Methodist heritage and roots. Traditional worship components of the service include: Processional and Recessional, Communion, Affirmation of Faith, Prayer for the Offering Collection, Doxology, and Wesley Hymns.

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 Book Group

The Book Group will next meet on July 31 at 11:30am. Join us when we discuss "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store."

Family Promise - "Calling All Volunteers"!
For Summer Hosting -- August 4th thru August 11th

"They don't have to leave," answered Jesus. "You yourselves give them something to eat!" "All we have here are five loaves and two fish," they replied…then he took the five loaves and the two fish, looked up to heaven, and gave thanks to God… and the disciples gave them to the people. Everyone ate and had enough. -- Matthew 14: 16: 20

Summer Hosting for 2024 is less than 5 weeks away. **It is our turn to "feed the people."** Please look deep into your heart and help us to quickly filled our volunteer needs. Please email me with your favorite volunteer task as soon as possible.

Volunteer Positions Needed:

Date	Day (**August**)	Hosting Need	Volunteers needed for each task
3	Saturday	Set Up Crew, 2 to 3-pm	6
4	Sunday	Dinner & Overnight	0 (Filled)
5	Monday	Overnight	2
6	Tuesday	Overnight	2
7	Wednesday	Overnight	2
8	Thursday	Dinner & Overnight	1
9	Friday	Dinner, & Overnight	2
10	Saturday	Dinner	2
11	Sunday	Laundry Crew, 11:30 am	2
		Take Down Crew, 2 to 3-pm	6

David Steinmeier
Family Promise Volunteer Coordinator
david@microjoining.com

Adult Sunday School Class meets every Sunday at 9:00-9:45am in the Church Library. All are welcome!

On July 7, Don will continue the talk about various eschatological views of the Church. We invite you to meet with us in fellowship and prayer as well as in studying Scripture. For more information about the class, contact Carolyn (carolyniga@gmail.com) or Don (donthorsen@alumni.stanford.net).

The Shepherds Invite Everyone to 2 Events this Summer!

Thursday, July 11: Concert in the Park (Arcadia City Hall Lawn, 240 Huntington Drive)

- 6:30pm: “Stone Soul” (sounds of Motown) - **Free Event!**
  - Following the concert, there is an outdoor PG movie, “Kung Fu Panda 4.” Bring a chair and/or picnic blanket and dinner, or purchase dinner from the food truck. Arrive between 5-6:30pm. The earlier, the better. Park north or south of City Hall, or park at the Santa Anita Race Track at Gate 5. A sweater may be welcome after the sun sets. Look for us about 2/3rd of the way back from the stage, midway around.

Saturday, August 3rd, 6:30pm: Rancho Cucamonga Quakes vs. San Jose Giants, followed by fireworks.

- Tickets: $11 Each. Join the Shepherds and ROI Groups!
  - The game is at the Epicenter Sports Complex: 8408 Rochester Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga. This is a fun, family-oriented evening with entertainment by Tremor and After Shock, the 2 mascots. Email Margaret Blair at kdblair@earthlink.net by July 21 if you wish to attend. Cash or checks (made out to Margaret N. Blair) may be left in the Church Office.

Foothill Unity Center Back to School Drive

Foothill Unity Center’s Back to School Drive is June 17th through July 22nd. Their goal is to provide backpacks and supplies to 1,500 students of low income families. Among the items they need are: backpacks (**NO** blue or red), colored pencils, markers, 24-pack crayons, filler paper, scissors, rulers, pens, binders, folders, and highlighters. A complete list of information about volunteering for the distribution event set for August 8th and monetary donations can be found on their website: www.bts.foothillunitycenter.org. Donations are being collected in the northeast corner of Jordan Hall.



Save the Date for Vacation Bible School, July 15-19 (5:30-8:00pm, dinner included)

Attention Parents, Grandparents and Guardians - This summer your children are invited to learn to face their fears while trusting in God at our Vacation Bible School! Counselor Sam and the Campers explore timeless Bible stories showing how Old and New Testament Bible figures trusted God, faced their fears, and went on to do great things in God’s name.

Camp Firelight Camp Callout: “Whenever I’m afraid, I put my trust in you.” (Psalm 56:3)”. The fun happens at Good Shepherd the week of July 15 - 19, 2024! The VBS registration can be found at the church office or online at cgsum.org. Register before July 10, 2023, and save 33%! You can even pay online this year! Dinner is included each night, Monday – Friday, for children attending VBS and volunteers, at no additional cost.

Send Your Children to “Camp Firelight - A Summer Camp Adventure with God”
Vacation Bible School at Church of the Good Shepherd
July 15 - 19, 2024 – 5:30 – 8:00 pm for ages 3-years through completing 5th grade

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Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

CGS Thanks and Appreciates Our Sunday Usher Teams for the Ministry of Hospitality, Sanctuary Preparation, and Worship Assistance that they provide!

1st Sunday Team: Vern Whitaker, Mike Hoover, Lou Quismorio, Chuck Richardson, and Lynne Rivera; 2nd Sunday Team: David Steinmeier, Chip Aquino, Kathy Aquino, Phil Erwin, and Brian Kuramoto; 3rd Sunday Team: Doug Van Kirk, Kevin Snavely, and Catherine Doster; 4th Sunday: Craig Lucas, Amy Crouse, Kathleen Ellison, and Kim Reynolds.

Please contact Pastor Eva (PastorEva@cgsum.org) if you would like to be an usher. Training and materials will be provided.

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.