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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 23rd - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

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.

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 128 and Luke 5: 27-32
Sermon: The Shared Meal is for All
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin Preaching
Pastor Eva will begin a new sermon series on the important meals in Jesus ministry and lessons we can learn from these meals and the people he ate with.
Prelude: "Pastorale on "He Leadeth Me"" arr. Young
Postlude: "Postlude on "Coronation" arr. Livingston
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Summer Chancel Choir: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" by Dan Bird; "Shine on Me" arr. Rollo Dilworth
Stephen Cook, Accompanist; Sean Fitzpatrick, Guest Conductor



Join us this Sunday, July 23rd for a Breakfast Fellowship at 8:30am!

All are invited for delicious food (breakfast sandwiches, fruit, pastries, yogurt, juice, coffee, or tea) and fellowship. There will also be a birthday cake for Pastor Eva and opportunities to share innovation ideas. The Chapel will also be open for prayer.

If you plan to attend or are considering attending, **please RSVP** to Pastor Eva (PastorEva@cgsum.org). This will help ensure we have enough food for everyone. A special gift will be given to all who RSVP before July 20th. We look forward to seeing you next Sunday!

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.**

Within the Church Family

Prayers for the Hasseler Family. Shirley Hasseler passed away last Wednesday. We offer thoughts and prayers to her husband Warren and their family members.

We also pray for Robin Graney as she recovers from a hip fracture.

Free Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste Drive-Thru Collection Event

There will be an Annual Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Collection Event on Saturday, August 5th from 9am-3pm at the Santa Anita Race Track. Enter through Gate 6 on Colorado Place. For more information, visit https://arcadiacachamber.org

Beginning July 19th, the Book Group will discuss *An American Beauty*. This is a historical fiction novel about Mrs. Henry Huntington. We can't wait to learn more about this fascinating woman. Join us Wednesdays at noon!

Sierra Service Project (SSP) Team Blessing

On Sunday the Sierra Service Project team was blessed during worship ahead of their trip to Sacramento. We wish them safe travels as they depart this coming Sunday. Below is the list of participants for this year:

*Isabelle Chan
Hannah Ng
Kathleen Ng
Amber Pattison
Miranda Richenberger

Mackenzie Rios
William Shen
Keven Shyam
Phoenix Stanley
Felix Veeraraj
Sarah Veeraraj

Advisors:
Sarah Reynolds
Franklyn Shen
Cindy Snavely
Kevin Snavely

**First time attendee with CGS*





Church Finance Committee Updates

- 2nd Quarter Giving Statements will be emailed out on July 20th.
- Please contact the church office 626-447-2181 if you prefer to pick up a paper copy or have one sent in the mail to you.
- The 3rd Quarter (July-Sept) months are the leanest in giving and income receiving. This is due to many factors (members on vacation, less facility use income in summer, and members who prefer to give full tithe at the beginning of year, etc.).
- All are encouraged to continue to meet their pledge committmetns OR submit a 2023 Pledge Card if they were not able to do so at the end of last year.
- Please consider a Special Summer Offering donation to help the church finances.
- Visit the Church website www.cgsum.org to give online- click the GIVE button in the top right hand corner and you will be directed to the online giving page.
- **A Tutorial on the church's Easy and Secure on-line giving option will be demonstrated at this Sunday's Fellowship Breakfast at 9am.**

Church Leaders & Volunteers are Invited to Ignite 2023!



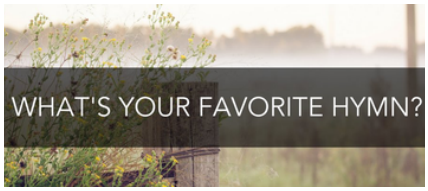
Online Group Participation Sept. 27-29

Are you committed to helping our church do everything it can to share God's love with your community? If you answered YES, then Ignite Leadership Institute (Online Sept. 27-29) is for you!

Leadership Institute is designed to equip, encourage, and inspire ministry leaders from across the country and around the globe. You'll experience:

- Meaningful worship and Powerful keynote speakers
- Practical featured sessions/webinars to choose from
- Time for reflection, networking, team building, and more.

Pastor Eva has registered the church for online participation. You can attend group viewing sessions in the church lounge or watch online from the comfort of your home. Contact Pastor Eva if you are interested. More details to come.



Pentecost 5 Questions Series- Question #3!

What is your favorite Hymn? Please list 1-3 Hymns!
Fill in answer below and turn in to Pastor Eva in person or email to PastorEva@cgsum.org

Name (optional):_____
Favorite Hymn(s):

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Pastor: Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown
From July 1st District Superintendent: Rev. MoonYoung Lee



Prayer of the Week: based on Psalm 119
Loving God, today I praise you with and upright heart. May my eyes be fixed on your commandments and may I learn your righteous ordinances.
Guide my steps as I walk in the way of the Lord And may my heart be happy and full of your goodness and mercy all day long. Amen.

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.