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The Word

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, August 3rd - Heritage Communion Sunday
8th Sunday after Pentecost

Attendance pads are in the pews. The Offering box is located in the Narthex.
On Heritage Sundays- any offering placed in the offering box before the service begins will be brought up to the altar during the Offertory in worship.

Scripture: Psalm 73:21-26 and Luke 12:13-21
Sermon: "A Soul Rich for God"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Preaching
Prelude: "Aria Pastorella" by Valentin Rathgeber
Postlude: "Trumpet Postlude" by James Southbridge
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Kirk Averitt, Chancel Choir Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist
Special Music by Ethan Flores

The July 27th Altar Flowers were given in celebration of Pastor Eva's birthday by the sisters of United Women in Faith and Sarah Circle.



Sundays in August

- Aug. 3rd Heritage and Holy Communion Service in the Sanctuary
- Aug. 10th Youth Led Worship Service in the Chapel with BBQ lunch following the Service
- Aug. 17th, 24th, 31st Worship continues in the Chapel these Sundays

Plus, the Sunday morning 9:00am Adult Bible Study class meets in the library and continues NT Wright's study on the book of Galatians; Children's & Youth Sunday School classes meet (10:15am); and Bevel Coffee Cart will be here during Coffee Fellowship on August 3rd and 17th.

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.**





Kitchen Update for July 2025

We had been waiting for several weeks for the new exhaust hood for our new kitchen. Finally it has arrived this week and is now in place!

Now our contractor, Greg Terhorst, can begin work on the ducting and air intake system for this massive hood, as well as the fire suppression system.

At the same time, wall panels will be completed. Then the drop ceiling and lighting can go in. Finally, the new flooring will arrive. With any luck, all this can be done in August. We do not expect the cabinets and the rest of the equipment (range, electric oven, coffee maker, dishwasher, sinks, and faucets) to arrive before mid-September. We are hoping it will be a few weeks earlier, but this is not guaranteed. These timelines are always subject to change.

We are grateful for your generous contributions to making the new kitchen a reality. We thank you for your patience and understanding while we are under construction. There are other ways you can help. There will soon be opportunities to buy new dishware, glassware, pots and pans, towels, and other items for the kitchen. Watch for future issues of the work for more information.

David and Joann Steinmeier
Kitchen Project Co-Managers

Reminder Church Council Meets this Sunday, August 3rd
11:30am-1:30pm in the Library with Lunch Provided
Agenda Includes: midyear budget review, Trustees policies, media and membership report, future event plans (Fall Festival, Stewardship, etc.).

It Is Well With Our Souls as We Thank God for these Ministries!

- Vacation Bible School was held July 21st-25th. Children enjoyed bible stories, music, crafts, science projects, meals, and games all provided by the wonderful adult and youth volunteers, and under Cindy Ostry's dedicated leadership! VBS photos will be in next week's newsletter.
- The Sierra Service Project Team (see photo below) of youth, young adults, and adult advisors were blessed in worship, and are now experiencing a week of service work, devotions, fellowship with other youth groups, and education on poverty, immigration, and the environment in the San Diego South Bay area.
- Rev. Thai-Erwin is thankful to begin another appointment year at Good Shepherd. Pastor Eva and Phil look forward to this 7th year with the church members!







Campus Updates

- Trees around the grounds were trimmed, including the large stone pine by the field.
- Kitchen and Exterior paint projects continue.
- The Robert O. Wilson Memorial Sign was installed in the church courtyard. A special dedication will take place in the Fall.



Rio Texas CONFERENCE
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Ways to Give UM Support to the Texas Flood Areas

Donations can be made by check to the Rio Texas Conference designated for Advance #2050, and mailed to Rio Texas Conference, 16400 Huebner Rd, San Antonio, TX 78248. Or visit riotexas.org for online giving information.

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Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

Save the Date!

- **August 3**- Church Council Meeting
- **August 9th -** Rancho Cucamonga Quakes Game
- **August 10th-** Special Youth Led Service and BBQ Fellowship
- **Plus Summer Worship Services in the Chapel (August 10-September 7)!**

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission Statement:
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.