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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 14 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 1:1-6 and Luke 6:20-31
Sermon: "The Collective Wisdom Of the Masses Saves the World From Destruction"
Carolyn Iga, Guest Preaching
Prelude: “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” arr. Hopson
Postlude: “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright” arr. Martin
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Summer Choir: “Oh, Be Swift to Love” by Nancy Grundahl;
“For the Beauty of the Earth” by Conrad Kocher, arr. Philip Kevern
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

The July 7th Chancel Flowers were given in celebration of
Ken and Margaret Blair’s 50th Wedding Anniversary!



Congratulations to the 2024-2025 Youth Council!

Co-Presidents: Felix and Katie
Vice President: Hannah
Secretary: Sarah
PR: Izzy
Sr. High Representative: William
Middle School Representative: Nick

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.**

Family Promise Hosting at CGS August 4 to August 10, 2024

From Diane Lucas, CGS Family Promise Coordinator

As I listened to Pastor Eva's message about generosity on Sunday, June 30, I was reminded of all the generosity CGS shows to our guest families when we host Family Promise (FP). The families always comment that our hosts demonstrate great generosity by providing great meals, a safe and comfortable space for them to "live in" for the week, and warm fellowship and love.

The week of August 4 through August 10, the CGS FP team hopes YOU will be part of our CGS hosting team. The guest family will be with us each evening for dinner then overnight followed by breakfast each day for 1 week.

Please join us as we show our Christian generosity, love, compassion, and kindness by serving in Family Promise! You can show your generosity by volunteering to help set up the rooms where our guest family stays, providing dinner for one evening during our hosting week, and/or spending the night at church (we provide the inflatable bed).

For more information about volunteering for Family Promise, contact Diane Lucas, CGS FP Coordinator (dlucasarc@gmail.com) or David Steinmeier, CGS FP Volunteer Coordinator, (david@microjoining.com) or Leslie Kenan, CGS FP Dinner & Supplies Coordinator (leskenan@gmail.com).

Vacation Bible School 2024
July 15-19 (5:30-8:00pm, dinner included)

Happy July from Church of the Good Shepherd Christian Education!

We have VBS coming up and it is not too late to register. Registration can be done online at the link below. VBS is July 15th-19th, 5:30pm to 8:00pm including dinner! **There is a $35.00 registration fee per child until July 10th, then it goes up to $40.00.**



Camp Firelight - A Summer Camp Adventure with God!

Children ages 3-years through completing 5th grade are invited to join us as the Campers experience stories through music, drama and storytelling, games, arts and crafts, science and even snacks, they learn to connect with and trust God.

To register, contact the Church Office or visit the link below.
We look forward to seeing you at VBS!
https://cgsum.org/?post_type=form_live_preview&id=34

Attention Volunteers: There will be a VBS kick off meeting for volunteers on Sunday, July 14th in the lounge following the church service.

Avenue of the Churches Walk

Message from Catherine Doster: Thank you to all the volunteers that helped at the Second Annual Fundraiser Walk! I could not do it without you all!
Thanks also to our fearless leader, Pastor Eva!

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 (until July); 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.

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.

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

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).

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Prayer of the Week: Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen. ~ Andy Langford, UMC Discipleship Resources

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.