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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
Sunday Nursery Care available starting at 9:30am
Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Sunday, July 5h - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Sunday 4th of July Weekend

Attendance pads and cards are in the pews. The Offeratory Box is located in the Narthex.

Scripture: Psalm 145: 8-12 and Matthew 11: 25-30
Sermon: "Core Faith: The Yoke of Discipleship"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Senior Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "More Love to Thee, O Christ" arr. Hayes
Postlude: "My Rock, My Fortress" by Dennis Eliot
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Summer Choir: "Aermica the Beautiful" arr. Dan Bird;
"I Really Love the Lord" by Jimmy Dowell;
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist,
Special Music by Carolyn Noonchester

The June 28th Altar Flowers were given in loving memory of Ila Harris by Jennie Mendel.

Sunday, July 12th - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Psalm 119: 105-108 and Matthew 13: 1-9
Sermon: "Core Faith: Understanding the Word"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Senior Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Give Me Jesus" arr. Hayes
Postlude: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. Hayes
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Music by the Summer Choir
Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist
Special Music by Susan Holder

Beginning June 1st- the Newsletter will be published every other week.
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.**

Good Shepherd at the Quakes Baseball Game!

Saturday, August 1st @ 6:30pm (San Jose Giants vs. Rancho Cucamonga Quakes

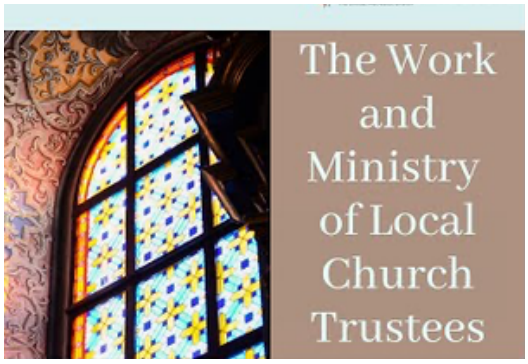


Group tickets are $13 each along the 1st base side. Great view of the mountains and in the shade. Come see mascots Tremor and After Schock, and enjoy more family entertainment. Contact Margaret Blair (kdblair@earthlink.net) by July 23rd with the number of tickets you desire to purchase and your email address. Tickets can be printed and scanned. Pay with cash or checks (payable to Margaret Blair) and hand to her at Church or leave in the Church Office.



VBS July 20-24 at Good Shepherd!

Children ages 3 years to 5th grade are all invited to Vacation Bible School, Monday thru Friday from 5:30pm - 8:00pm. There will be bible stories, music & dancing, crafts, games, and dinner is provided. Registration are available in the church office or by emailing childcenter@cgsum.org.



Board of Trustees Updates

The church's Board of Trustees and Staff have been hard at work with projects throughout the campus. Some current and upcoming projects include: water damage repairs for the Sanctuary and Asbury room walls, Hall AV systems, parking lot line painting in July, rental price updates, and hiring of a new landscape company that will begin in July.

2026 Board of Trustees are: Ken Blair (Chair), Charlie Contreras, Marcia D'Amore, Tom Dukes, John Kenan, Reuben Linder, Lou Quismorio, and John Pattison (term ends 6/30).

SSP Stock Sale and July 19th SSP Bake Sale

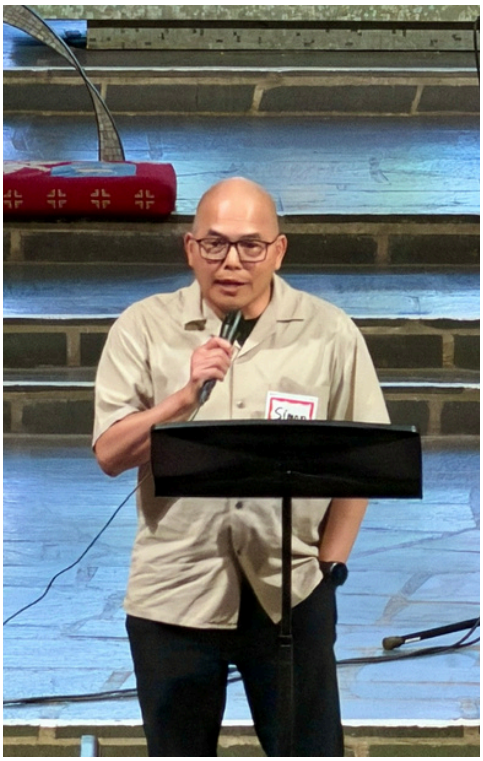
The Youth will be selling SSP Stock after service the next two Sundays (July 5th and July 12th) and having an SSP Bake Sale on July 19th after service. All proceeds will go towards our service project to Arizona this summer.

Middle School Sunday School Group Puppet Show

Moses was surprised by a burning...seaweed? And he and his brother Aaron saved... sea animals? During the children's message on Sunday, June 28th, the CGS Middle School Sunday School group performed "Moses and the Burning Seaweed," a modern-day puppet show version of the Old Testament story of Moses and the Burning Bush.



June 21st - Father's Day Service







On June 21st, Simon Flores, Doug Van Kirk, and Ken Blair shared stories about their faith. Their messages will be emailed with the newsletter or available in print format at church.

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

SAVE THE DATES:

- **July 5th- Sunday Worship with Communion**
- **July 19th- Sunday Worship with Sierra Service Project Blessings, Zanaida Stewart Robles Singers, +SSP Bake Sale after worship**
- **July 20th-24th- Vacation Bible School!**
- **July 26th- Sunday Worship with special gospel music**
- **August 2nd- ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY- more details to come**
- **Augst 9th- Sunday Worship in the Chapel Begins!**
- **August 16th- Sunday Worship in the Chapel with Youth Faith Sharing and lunch after worship**

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.