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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, September 22nd - Fall Festival Sunday
18th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 23 and Matthew 22: 34-40
Sermon: "The Why of Discipleship"
Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Sr. Pastor, Preaching
Prelude: "Sonata K. 287 I. Andante" by Giuseppe Scarlatti
Postlude: "When, in Our Music, God is Glorified" arr. Laura Page
Stephen Cook, Director of Music
Chancel Choir: "Seeking, Trusting, Lord I Come to You" by Don G. Fontana; "Lord, Here Am I" by John Ness Beck; Kirk Averitt, Director; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

Among the Church Family



Please keep the Burnett Family in your prayers on the passing of Jerry Burnett on Aug. 22, 2024. He is survived by his wife Dottie, and two sons.

Bells are SO COOL!!!



DIng Dong! Can you hear the Bells a Ringing? Both the Youth Bells and the Adult Carillon Ringers started ringing and had really ***cool*** rehearsals.***Thank you*** to the Church Trustees who funded a new cooling unit for that area. If you are interested in becoming a little bit cooler and playing bells at the same time, come and join us! We meet in the front of the Sanctuary in the Bell Transept. Youth Bells practices after the service on Sundays and Carillon Ringers rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Refresh your spirit with some ***cool*** people, ***cool*** music and some ***cool*** air. Contact Carolyn at cgsbells@gmail.com for more info.

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.**

ONWARD TOGETHER!

Are you passionate about sharing God's love with your community? Eager to meet others who share this purpose? The Church of the Resurrection online conference is for you!

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE 2024
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Join us online, Sept. 25-27, for this year's Leadership Institute Conference from the comfort of your home, office, or with Pastor Eva and church members at church. There will be amazing speakers (Adam Hamilton, Brian McLaren, Candace Lewis, etc.), inspiring worship services, and informative workshops. Pastor Eva has registered the church, so please contact her (PastorEva@cgsum.org) if you would like to attend!

Crafters' Boutique Coming Soon!
Sunday October 6th and Sunday October 13th after Worship





Our annual Crafters Boutique will feature a variety of handcrafted, one-of-a-kind items, including embroidered, knitted and crocheted items, quilts, woven baskets, table runners, Christmas ornaments, original watercolors, and wreaths for all seasons. **Some of our larger items will be available through a silent auction.** Find your treasures and shop for the holidays! The boutique will be held in the courtyard area near Jordan Fellowship Hall.

Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Conversational ESL Classes

Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Conversational English Classes have begun!

The Beginning English class meets in the Adult Education Center (AEC) every Sunday from 9-10:30am. The Intermediate Class meets every Friday from 9-10:30am on Zoom. These classes are taught by Rowena Zeng and Mike Johnson. For information and the Zoom invitation to the Intermediate class, please contact the Church Office, or Rowena Zeng and Mike Johnson at m.johnsonsmbel@gmail.com or rowezeng@gmail.com.

The Advanced Conversational English class is held in person in the Church library every Friday morning from 9:30am - 11:00am. This class is taught by Sandra Jelinek and Carolyn Bowman. For more information about this class, please contact the Church Office or Sandra Jelinek at: sjelin2@aol.com.

ENJOY FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

FALL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd

BEGINS WITH WORSHIP AT 10:00AM
FOLLOWED BY FOOD AND FUN!

TACOS - SHAVE ICE - REFRESHMENTS
DJ - GAMES - JUMP HOUSE - DUNK TANK
CHALK ART - GOODIE BAGS
AND MORE!

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MINISTRY FAIR

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Ministry Fair on September 29th!

Long time members, new members, and visitors are all invited to learn about our wonderful church ministries! After the 10:00am worship service join us for: lunch and refreshments, ministry tables, prize baskets drawing, children's activities, Cupcake Walk, desserts, and bands performing from the Neighborhood Music School and Store in Arcadia!

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Resident Bishop: Rev. Dottie Escobedo-Frank
District Superintendent: Rev. Moonyoung Lee
Pastor: Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

UPCOMING MINISTRY AND WORSHIP EVENTS!

- **This Sunday** Sept. 22nd- is Fall Festival Sunday!
- Sept. 29th is Ministry Fair Sunday
- Oct. 6th is Heritage Sunday and World Communion Sunday
- Oct. 13th Rev. Steve Horswill-Johnston (Guest Preacher); Health Ministry Flu Shot Clinic
- Oct. 31st Trunk or Treat!

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.