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United Methodist Church

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Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Please join us for ONLINE Sunday Worship Services during February 2022

(Church Website or Facebook Group Page)

Sunday, February 27, 2022

This Sunday Worship Online Only

Transfiguration Sunday

Scripture: Psalm 99 and Luke 9:28-36

Sermon: "Go and Be Transformed"

Pastor Eva Thai-Erwin, Preaching

Prelude: "Prelude on 'Jesus the Very Thought of Thee'" arr. Haan

Postlude: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" arr. Kerr

Stephen Cook, Director of Music on Organ

Introit: "Morning Alleluia" by J. L. Clark

Special Music and Anthem: "Little David, Play on Your Harp" by Emily Crocker; Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; and "He Is Exalted" arr. Ryan; Combined Youth Bells and Carillon Ringers; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

Congregational Hymns from the United Methodist Hymnal: "Be Thou My Vision #451", "Spirit Song #347" and "Every Time I Feel the Spirit #404"

Sunday School for preschoolers and elementary grade kids is again meeting by Zoom **Sunday mornings, 9:15-9:45.** Please contact Heather Reynolds (khreynolds89@earthlink.net or 626-272-6629) for the zoom info and other information.

Among the Church Family



In Our Prayers:

Please continue to keep everyone previously mentioned in your prayers and include **Shirley Hasseler** who is beginning Chemotherapy this week.

The Memorial Service for **Bob Graham** will be held on Monday, February 28, at 1:00 p.m. at Rose Hills in Whittier at the Memorial Chapel and graveside. Please feel free to wear your golf shirts!

The Memorial Service for **Mindy Black** will be held here at Good Shepherd on Saturday, March 5, at 11:00 a.m.

Women's Book Study



The Women's Book Study will begin reading and discussing The Women of the Bible Speak starting March 2 at 12:00 noon. Location TBA.

For further information contact Leslie Kenan at leskenan@gmail.com.



JOIN US FOR THESE SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THE BEGINNING OF LENT

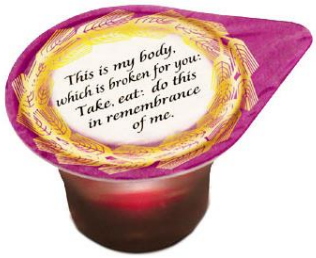
ASH WEDNESDAY ASHES TO GO

(March 2nd 8am-10am and 3:30-5:30pm)

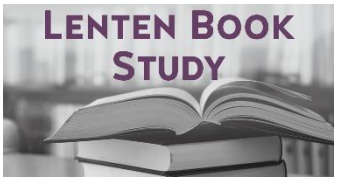
Please remember to wear your masks and drive up or walk up to the main sanctuary doors off of the large church parking lot to receive ashes that will be given on a piece of burlap with a safety pin to wear. The ash-marked square symbolizes the mark of the cross usually borne by each person on this date, but the square can last longer and become a symbol for the whole Lenten season. Over time, the ashes will fade from the square but the burlap will remain, a constant symbol of renewal and forgiveness.

HOLY COMMUNION AND RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP

(March 6th at 10am)



Join us for the first Sunday in Lent worship service. Check in and masks will still be required as we hope to keep all safe. Our wonderful choir section leaders and music director will provide music, Pastor Eva will begin a new sermon series on Prayer, and all will receive prepackaged Communion cups and wafers.



LENTEN BOOK STUDY

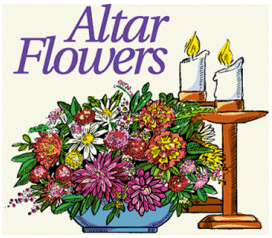
(Mondays at 7pm via ZOOM)

Diane and Craig Lucas will lead us through Adam Hamilton's book, "The Lord's Prayer: The Meaning and Power of the Prayer Jesus Taught." See article on next page for more info.

2022 Memorial/Veteran's Day Flowers



It has become a tradition at our church to have special Chancel Flowers on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day in honor of **all** those who have served or are currently serving in our country's armed forces. We would like to honor your service, or the service of a loved one, by adding your name, rank and the branch in which you served to our list. We invite you to give a donation to the flower fund to keep this tradition going. Checks should be made payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd" and turned into the office with "Veterans' Flowers" on the memo line of the check. Suggested annual donation of $20 covers both holidays. Those making a donation will be shown with an asterisk, but all who have served or are currently serving will be listed.



Lots of Open Dates on the 2022 Flower Chart

Sign up for altar flowers by calling the church office, 626-447-2181, to give flowers "in honor of" or "in memory of" loved ones (or in celebration of an anniversary, birthday, special event or accomplishment). The cost of the flowers is $50 (payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd"). Please mail the check to the church and write "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. Or you may pay for flowers online through the church website. The church office will place your order with ZuZu's Petals of Arcadia and have the personalized message announced in church by Pastor Eva on the appropriate Sunday as well as in the Sunday bulletin and the following week's newsletter. After the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service that Sunday, you may take your flowers home with you or let us know and we will have them in the church office on Monday morning after 9:00 a.m. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship center.

CGS Foundation - Grant Funding for 2022 is Open!!

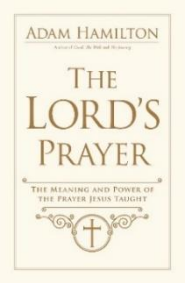
We've turned the calendar to 2022 and your CGS Foundation is open to receiving and considering the funding of 2022 grant requests. Here are the grants the Foundation funded in 2021:

- Children's Center: Payroll and Facilities Costs - $50,000.00
- CGS: Technology and Safety Protocols - $18,125.56
- Girl Scout Troop 9011: Dare to Dream Project - $650.00
- BSA Troop 333: Camping Equipment - $1,500.00
- CGS: Ministry Intern Monthly Stipend - $12,000.00
- CGS: Section Leaders and Bell Choir Director Salaries - $36,000.00
- Children's Center: Gate Signs - $100.00
- CGS: Children's Ministry Director Part-Time Salary - $24,000.00



The purpose of a grant must be the aid, promotion, and development of the religious, charitable, and educational activities, purposes, functions, and progress of the Church of the Good Shepherd UMC, Arcadia. All grant applications must be submitted online only using the Foundation Online Grant Form - click the link below. Online grant application assistance will be provided when requested.

Year-Round Grant Application



CGS BOOK STUDY FOR LENT 2022

Our 2022 Lenten book study will be based on *The Lord's Prayer: The Meaning and Power of the Prayer Jesus Taught* by Pastor Adam Hamilton.

The discussions will be 6 Mondays, February 28 through April 4, 2022, 7:00PM to 8:00PM via ZOOM. The 1-hour meeting will include a 15-minute DVD of Pastor Hamilton's sharing his thoughts followed by our discussing the main points of the book, related scripture, and DVD.

We know the Lord's Prayer by heart; we pray it often. But do we really understand and appreciate the meaning and power of its words, what we ask of God each time we pray it? Each week we will explore a different line of the prayer and its meaning in the Bible, in prayer, and our lives.

The book is available from Cokesbury or Amazon.

Please let Diane Lucas know (dlucasarc@gmail.com) if you will be attending so she can send the weekly Zoom link to you.

We look forward to our meaningful time together! ***-Diane & Craig Lucas***

Walking Group

Next Tuesday is the first Tuesday of the month so we will be walking at the Arboretum for a fun change. We will be meeting at 8 am inside by the stairs at the bottom. Everyone is invited to join us! The Arboretum is at 301 N. Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia, 91007. Cost is $15 for Adults, Seniors (62+) $11, annual pass is $65. Other Tuesdays we continue to meet at 8 am at the church.



REMINDER: DO NOT respond to fake emails that claim to be from Pastor Eva but are not from her umcpastoreva@gmail.com email and are asking for favors, money, gift cards, etc.

Save these Dates:

Wednesday, March 2
Ash Wednesday

Sunday, March 6
Return to In-Person Worship



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open minds,
open doors

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