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United Methodist Church

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Please join us for ONLINE Sunday Worship Services on our Church Website or Facebook Group Page
Or for IN-PERSON at 10:00 a.m. in our Sanctuary

Sunday, March 27, 2022

The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Join Us for In-Person Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Check in before worship and
Wear masks while seated indoors within the congregation.
Scripture: Isaiah 7:10-14 and Luke 5:12-16
Sermon: "Living a Prayerful Life: To Pray Even When Depleted"
Pastor Eva Thai-Erwin, Preaching

Pastor Eva continues her sermon series for the Season of Lent focusing on Living a Prayerful Life. Throughout his ministry, Jesus prayed. He prayed in the wilderness, in the temples, by the lakeshores, on the mountain tops. For Jesus, prayer strengthened his connection to God and guided him in his mission. So, as we continue our 40 days of reflection for Lent, let us also examine and enter into a prayerful life as Jesus did.

Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy" arr. Hayes
Postlude: "How Firm a Foundation" arr. Hayes
Stephen Cook, Director of Music on Organ
Introit: "Soli Deo" by Hubert Beurele
Anthem: "Thy Will Be Done"; Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director.
Benediction Response: "A Closing Prayer" by Don Besig; Youth Choir.
Congregational Hymns from the United Methodist Hymnal:
"Open My Eyes, That I May See #454",
"Seek You First #405", and "Blessed Assurance #369"

Sunday School *for preschoolers and elementary grade kids will meet In-Person in Jordan Hall following the Children's Time in the Sanctuary.*



Among the Church Family

In Our Prayers:

Please keep all those previously mentioned in your prayers.

Our condolences to the family of **David Collins** who passed away on March 10, 2022. Let us keep his wife **Betz Collins**, daughter **Jill Hisey**, and other the family members in our prayers.

Reminder: The memorial service for **Jackie Olson** will be held here at Church of the Good Shepherd this coming Saturday, March 26, at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Altar Flowers



The flowers on March 20, 2022, were given in celebration of **Eleanor Lucas Mulligan's** birthday by **Diane and Craig Lucas.**

The Rosebud of Love on the altar was in honor of **Margaret Cynthia Blair-Schwab**, born March 14, 2022. She is the daughter of **Janice Blair and Matthew Schwab**, sister of **Wesley**, granddaughter of **Margaret and Ken Blair**, and niece of **Karen Yip**. She is named for both of her grandmothers.

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, accomplishment, etc.). 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 a.m. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship center.

Deadline to Order Easter Flowers Is This Sunday, March 27



As we prepare for Easter, we also plan the preparation of our sanctuary for Easter. We plan to be open for in-person worship this Easter and will continue to adorn our altar area with potted spring flowers. These are purchased by members or friends of our congregation in "memory of" or in "honor of" someone special. The potted flowers can be picked up by the purchasers after the Easter service (time to be determined closer to Easter) or donated for delivery to our members who are more home bound. Prices of the potted flowers are listed below. Please sign up after church on March 27, or send the following information and payment to the church office by March 25. Make checks payable to Church of the Good Shepherd & write Easter flowers on the memo line. For further information, contact Suzanne Wright in the church office. Thank you!

Your name & phone number _____

In memory of _____. In honor of _____

Double Lily $19.00 #_____ Mum $15.00 #_____

Hydrangea $21.00. #_____ Azalea $21.00 #_____

I will pick up my plant/s on Easter Sunday._____

Please take my plant/s to a homebound church member._____

Purchase SSP Stock After Church on Sunday

The youth will be selling SSP Stock after church in the Courtyard to raise money for their service projects this summer in San Diego and at CGS. Due to COVID, They will have two opportunities for this summer. One is the chance to go to San Diego (Sunday, July 24 – Friday, July 30th), and the other is the opportunity to participate at an SSP program at Church of the Good Shepherd in the evenings that same week. Those going to San Diego will have the fantastic opportunity to tent camp for the week. The plan is to stay in the campgrounds as a church group and will be work during the week as a church group as well. The group will get the opportunity to meet other church youth during meals, free time, and evening programs. More details will follow, but for planning purposes, we need to know who would like to go to San Diego, and who would like to participate at Church of the Good Shepherd by this Sunday, March 27, 2022. If you need more time to decide, please let me know.

– Franklyn Shen, Director of Youth Ministries

PROJECT SAVE OUR KITCHEN!

Why Should We Renovate the Church Kitchen?

Our church home needs to be maintained by repairing, updating, and replacing items as needed. Some projects require more time, effort and money than others. Our church kitchen is no exception.

The kitchen and Jordan Hall were dedicated in the mid-1960s. The larger appliances, except for the refrigerator/freezer are original. They are at least 55 years old. The stove and ovens, the dishwasher, and the disposal all need to be replaced.

The stove burners don't always shut off properly, and sometimes the pilot light goes out (**not safe!**). The ovens are rusty with age, and unreliable. The industrial dishwasher is broken and cannot be repaired because parts for it are no longer available.

The cabinets are showing their age. Several cupboard doors no longer stay closed, some are in danger of falling off their hinges. The cupboards themselves are shallow. Some cupboards were designed to hold the old dishwasher racks and are no longer functional. The countertops have scratches from long use, making them difficult to keep clean and free of bacteria.

Energy efficient appliances will decrease our carbon footprint and provide savings in gas and electric bills. The kitchen appliances will be easier to use and easier to maintain. New cupboards will supply better storage solutions for the groups who use the kitchen. The projected renovation will also include more energy efficient lighting and durable seamless vinyl flooring which will be easier to clean.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Please consider making a donation to the Kitchen Project. Checks may be made payable to Church of the Good Shepherd with "Kitchen Project" in the memo line. For more information, please attend the Kitchen walk through on April 3rd after the 10 a.m. service. **Watch for more information on this project in future issues of The Word.**

Sandra Jelinek, Joann Steinmeier, and Kathleen Ellison
Kitchen Project Committee

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.

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. 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

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. Be cautious of other emails claiming to be from church members and asking for favors also!

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