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The Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church
400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia, CA 91007 - www.cgsum.org 626-447-2181
Broadcast Live at 10:00 a.m. to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG
10:00 a.m. IN-PERSON in our Sanctuary!!

Sunday, October 9, 2022
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Eva is Preaching: "The Joy of Generosity: Prayers"
Scripture Lessons: Psalm 86:1-7 and Mark 14:32-42

Pastor Eva began a new sermon series on the "Joy of Generosity" last Sunday. October will begin our church's Annual Stewardship Campaign in which members and friends of the church are encouraged to pledge financially to the church. Generosity is a gift that we give to God's church and to support its ministries. But being generous and ready to share aren't just about money. It's also about being generous with our time, talents, and spiritual gifts. We will explore how God calls us to be joyful in our service and giving to him in all we do!

Prelude: "Prelude in Eb major" by Eugene Englert
Postlude: "In Christ There Is No East or West" arr. Martin
Stephen Cook, Director of Music, Organ
Introit: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Anthem: "I Hear a Voice a Prayin'" by Houston Bright
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director
Special Music: "People Need the Lord" by Phill McHugh and Greg Nelson; Israel Segura, Soloist
Congregational Hymns from the United Methodist Hymnal: "Sweet Hour of Prayer #496", "Take Time to Be Holy #395", and "Every Time I Feel the Spirit #404"

Chancel Choir has rehearsals on the mornings they sing at 8:30 a.m.
Children's Choir has rehearsals at 11:15-11:45 a.m. in the Choir Room.

Online Worship Services for August thru October will not include hymn lyrics or liturgy on the screen. We apologize for this inconvenience. A printed copy of the worship bulletin that includes the Call to Worship, Prayers, and Announcements will be posted online. It can be found on the church website**.**

Altar Flowers



The Chancel Flowers on Sunday, October 2, were:
In memory of **Art Leatherman** by his family.
In honor of **Pastor Eva** from the congregation.

A Word of Appreciation from Pastor Eva

Dear CGS Family - Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement and all the cards and notes that were presented to me last Sunday. As I begin my 4th year here at the church, I am lifted up by all the love and support that has been given to me and my husband Phil. I look forward to another year as we all continue the journey of Faith, Growth, Justice, and Service in the image of Christ! Sincerely - ***Pastor Eva***

ROI (Return on Invest) Fellowship

The ROI Fellowship group will be meeting this Sunday, October 9, in the church Library after church for some fellowship, a meal, and a fun craft activity. Ann will be putting the craft activity together and we'll circulate a meal order for those interested in purchasing lunch. As usual, if you prefer, you are welcome to bring your own meal. It will be fun to see everyone at the end of a long hot summer and to catch-up. We'll send more details soon. In the meantime, pencil this into your calendar and come ready to share your summer stories, trips and adventures with the group.



Free Flu Vaccines

Health Ministries, through the Spiritual Care Department of the USC Arcadia Hospital, will offer free **regular** dose flu vaccines on Sunday, October 9 in the Lounge. Sign up through the church office 1(626)447-2181. For our seniors, the stronger **high dose** flu vaccine is highly recommended & will not be offered on October 9. It is offered at local pharmacies & your MD's office. For ease of administration, please wear a short-sleeved top. You do not need to be a member of Church of the Good Shepherd to receive the vaccine.

Shepherds Fellowship Group

Shepherds Fellowship Group is meeting here at the church at 6:00 p.m. on October 11, in Jordan Hall. Bring your own dinner, water will be provided. The speaker is our own Mike Hoover on "Everything you want to know about water." All are welcome.

Fundraiser at Matt Denny's!

The Good Shepherd Children Center is having a fundraiser at Matt Denny's on **Thursday, October 13, all day**. Flyers are available in the Narthex and in the school and church offices.

Fill the Bowl Project



Fill the Bowl Project is part of The Humane Society of the United States' Animal Protection Ministries program. Every year, thousands of churches across the county donate food to local food pantries and other programs that help fight hunger. Pets are a vital part of our community, but are often overlooked in times of need. Through the Fill the Bowl Project, faith communities can help by collecting new, unopened cans and bags of pet food (dog, cat, rabbit, bird, etc). One simple donation provides food for a pet and peace of mind for an owner. Donations will be collected from October 1 to November 6, 2022. Look for the Fill the Bowl Project bin outside the Children's Center Office.

Free Covid-19 Boosters October 12

Fall 2022 Covid-19 boosters are available here at Good Shepherd of Wednesday, October 12. RSVP to the Children's Center office at 626-447-1249.



Trunk or Treat

Halloween is quickly approaching and not only will we have our usual **Trunk or Treat** event in our parking lot, we will also be showing a **puppet show at 7:30 p.m.** You are invited to participate in on or all of these ways: 1) spread the word! 2) come with your kids, grandkids, neighbors, friends, etc. 3) come with your car as dressed up or as simple as you want it to be to pass our candy or trinkets to the kids. This fun event is **Monday, October 31, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Please call or email **Lynne and Vern Whitaker** if you'd like to do the latter so they can add your car to the line-up: vlwhit@sbcglobal.net or 626-446-7860.

Coffee Fellowship Coordinator(s) Are Needed for Sundays!

The church needs a Coffee Fellowship Coordinator (or a team of 2 persons) to organize Sunday Coffee Fellowship Time. This includes scheduling groups or volunteers to serve the refreshments each Sunday, keeping track of and buying supplies, and decorating the refreshment table for special occasions. The Coordinator does not need to be at church every Sunday. Please contact Pastor Eva at church (626) 447-2181 if you would like to help.

Annual Blessing of the Animals Is October 16!



All creatures great and small are a part of God's creation. Pastor Eva will do a Blessing of the Animals on October 16. Feel free to bring your pet and receive a prayer and blessing for your furry family member at our Drive Thru Car Blessing 12:00 p.m.-2 p.m. under the portico in our large West Parking Lot.

Volunteers Needed at Gift Shop at Hospital

The Gift Shop at USC-Arcadia Hospital is in need of volunteers for the 1-5 PM shifts, Mon - Fri. The proceeds from the Gift Shop help fund the Spiritual Care Dept., which is a vital part of patient care. If volunteers are not secured, the hospital will need to have paid staff during those times, and the proceeds will pay for those paid staff members instead of funding the Spiritual Care Dept. If you are interested, contact the Volunteer Department, (626)574-3646, or apply through the USC-Arcadia Hospital Volunteer Opportunities website.

Do you have Communication and Marketing Skills and an interest in Supporting Our Church Growth?

We're all aware that a lot has changed in all of our lives since the onset of the Covid Pandemic in March of 2020. A majority of our churches had to close their doors to on-site worship services. But we're now slowly reopening our doors and beginning to 'rebuild' our foundation of community and worship together once again. To assist with this, we are forming a new Team committed to working on ways to get our members and visitors back to church and to carrying forward our church's mission. If you or someone you know are interested in helping with this work, we would like to know more about you and your interests. If you have skills in communicating with a wide audience of people – in our community and elsewhere – and would be willing to help with this endeavor, we'd like to hear from you. Contact: Marcia D'Amore, Chair for Communications and Marketing, Medamore21@gmail.com

Please join us at Good Shepherd Children's Center for our
Fall "Back to School" Event
Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 5:00 – 8:00pm



early pickup day for all children
Pony Rides, Bouncer, Pan for Gold and more….
50 Year Anniversary "Gold Rush" Event

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open hearts,
open minds,
open doors



Sunday Service is broadcast live to Facebook/CGSUM
And on our website CGSUM.ORG.

In-Person Worship Service at 10 am

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission:
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