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**Worship Schedule for Sunday, November 25, 2018**

Last Sunday after Pentecost

Christ the King Sunday

United Methodist Student Day (offering)

Scripture Lessons: Revelation 1:4b-8 and John 18:33-37

The Message: "Ruler of Rulers", the Rev. George Hooper, Preaching

8:00 a.m. in the Chapel and 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

**8:00 a.m. – Worship – Chapel.**

**9:00 – Coffee Fellowship – Courtyard.**

**9:00 – Bible Study- Library.**

**9:00 – 11:30 – Childcare – Toddler Room.**

**10:00 – Worship – Sanctuary.**

**10:15 – Children’s Sunday School –** Children go to classrooms with teachers following “Word for Children”

**11:15 – Youth Bell rehearsal – Sanctuary.**

**11:15 – Coffee Fellowship – JH and Patio.**

**11:20 - Carol Choir in the Music Room.**

**Youth Choir and UMYF will not be meeting tonight.**

**Among the Church Family**

Please continue to keep those previously mentioned in your prayers and let the church office know of new concerns. The hospitals are unable to notify the church, so please keep us informed.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service at Church of the Good Shepherd**

**Wednesday, November 21**

**7:00 p.m. - Chapel**



**Holiday Food Collection**



**Feeding the Community**

Each year our church collects canned and packaged goods to help round out the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets given to the clients of The Foothill Unity Center. Food list reminders were distributed after church last Sunday. Please staple or tape the list to your donation bag or box. Return your donations to Jordan Hall. Donations will be accepted through mid-December. Cash donations should be delivered directly to the church office and should not be left in Jordan Hall. Make checks out to The Foothill Unity Center. Here are a few suggested needs for the holiday baskets (canned or packaged items only):

Yams, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruit, Soups, Beans, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Meats, Cereal, Dessert Mixes, Stuffing Mix, Rice, Baking Mixes, Pickles, Olives, Jell-O Mix, Pudding Mix, Gravy, Dinner Helpers, and Cranberry Sauce.

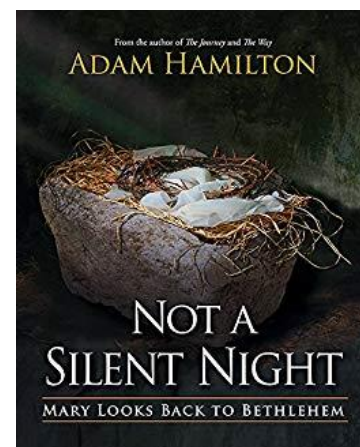
## ADVENT BOOK STUDY AT CGS

Join the next **CGS Book-Study Community** featuring **NOT A SILENT NIGHT—Mary Looks Back to Bethlehem** by Adam Hamilton, pastor of United Methodist Church of the Resurrection.

We will meet **4 MONDAYS from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm** in the **CGS Library** from **November 26 through December 17, 2018**.

In this book, Pastor Adam begins at the end, with Mary at the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus; travels back in time as she witnesses his life and ministry; and ends at the beginning, with the Christ child born in a stable, Mary's beautiful baby. We will read, discuss, & listen to Pastor Adam's sermon excerpts, experience Advent and Christmas with Mary, & remember the message of Christmas—that God is at work, bringing blessing out of pain.

To **order the book**, contact **Diane & Craig Lucas**, leaders of the class, by **November 19** [dlucasarc@gmail.com](mailto:dlucasarc@gmail.com) 626-447-4457. The book is also available on-line at Cokesbury and Amazon (print & Kindle).



## Angel Gifts Need to Be Returned by December 2



Select items from the wish list on the back of your angel and bring the items back to church by Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. (the back of the Angels specify a return date of Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, but the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December is fine). **GIFTS SHOULD NOT BE WRAPPED!** If the wish list has you stumped you can purchase a gift card from Target, Walmart, BestBuy etc. A member of Santa's crew or the child can purchase what is needed. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE GIFT CARDS IN JORDAN HALL, BRING THEM TO THE OFFICE FOR SAFE KEEPING.** Thank you for your participation in this meaningful Christmas outreach!

## CGS Foundation Year-Round Grant Application Process Is Up, Working, and Moving Forward Full Speed Ahead!!!

The Good Shepherd Foundation's **NEW** Year-Round Grant Application process is in full swing and lookin' good!! Grant applications must be submitted online only using the Foundation Online Grant Form. You will find a Grant Application button on the church website under "Service & Outreach," "Good Shepherd Foundation" or click this link to access the form directly: [CGSFD Year Round Grant Application](#). As always, grants will be awarded to individuals, fellowship groups and church committees for special projects and needs. Does your church group have a project which would help our church grow in spirit, or in number? Do you have an outreach project you would be willing to undertake? **No need to wait to apply any longer!** Online grant application assistance will be provided when requested. Please contact Dave Steinmeier to arrange for assistance: [david@microjoing.com](mailto:david@microjoing.com). If you have any questions about the Year-Round Grant Application Process, please contact Kim Reynolds – [cgsfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:cgsfoundation@gmail.com).

## #GiveUMC #GivingTuesday

Advance empowerment around the world on Tuesday, November 27. Caring for each other, our world and our calling is vital in our role as faithful disciples who transform the world. [engage@umcmmission.org](mailto:engage@umcmmission.org)

## Christmas Eve Children's Pageant

The Christmas pageant is quickly approaching! We invite all children ages 5-18 to participate in the Christmas pageant, which will be a part of the Christmas Eve Family Service on Sunday, Dec. 24, 2018. We will have two rehearsals on Sunday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 11:15AM-1:00PM (lunch included), and all members of the Carol Choir, Youth Bells, and Youth Choir will be participating in the service. If you are interested in participating or helping with lunch or costumes, please contact Franklyn Shen at (626) 272-5081, or by email at [fnjshen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fnjshen@sbcglobal.net).



## Double Rings Annual Christmas Bake Sale

Don't miss all the delicious goodies for sale after church on **Sunday, December 16!**

## Poinsettias to Beautify Our Worship Centers

The Christmas season is upon us, and, per tradition, we have an opportunity to decorate the chapel and church with beautiful poinsettias. Pre-sale of poinsettias will be after church on November 25, December 2, and December 9 and in the church office. Each plant is \$15, and may be purchased in honor of or memory of a friend or loved one. Poinsettias may be taken home after the 9 PM or 11 PM services on Christmas Eve. Plants left after that time will be taken to our home bound members.



## The Alternative Market Is Coming!

No need to panic about filling the needs on your Christmas shopping list...the Alternative Market is coming! You won't need a bag or a box to purchase meaningful gifts for friends, family and co-workers. Your gift could be a breathing, hope-giving, money-making, fruit bearing, women empowering, food providing, milk-making, shelter giving, refugee assisting, community building, life changing miracle! Your purchases helps people locally, nationally and around the world to help end poverty and achieve self-reliance. Organizations offering gifts are CHURCH WORLD SERVICE, TREES FOR LIFE, FINCA, HEIFER PROJECT, UNION STATION, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, FAMILY PROMISE and HEAVENLY TREASURES. Come shop **December 2, 9, and 16** in Jordan Hall.

## Homelessness, Lack of Affordable Housing...

We all know the situation exists here in the San Gabriel Valley and all over the country and the world. The lowest income renters in LA County spend 70% of their income on rent. Nowhere in the US can a full-time, minimum wage employee afford a 1-bedroom apartment. People throw their hands up and see the situation as hopeless. But we can give hope by purchasing gifts from three organizations in our Alternative Market: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY builds homes and has a Home Repair Program for Seniors, veterans, and other low-income homeowners, UNION STATION supports the homeless through meals and shelter, seeks permanent shelter for individuals and families, has job training programs and special facilities for women and children, FAMILY PROMISE supports homeless families and assists them in finding shelter, they organize interim housing until permanent housing is found. Come give the gift of hope to those on your Christmas gift list and make a difference in the lives of those in need. This year Habitat for Humanity is offering a free Habitat measuring tape and pen to accompany your gift cards!



# Christmas Concert

Featuring the Saint-Saens "Christmas Oratorio"

And other works for choir and orchestra

Directed by Dr. Peter Green

**December 2**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Free Admission**

**Church of the Good Shepherd  
In the Sanctuary**

**Reception Following  
In Jordan Hall**

## Many Upcoming Events to Mark on Your 2018 Calendars!!

November 21 – Thanksgiving Eve Service here at 7:00 pm, Chapel.

November 26 – 6:30-8:00 p.m. New Book Study begins. See article in this newsletter.

December 2 – Angel gifts due on or before today. Alternative Christmas Market and Craft Boutique in Jordan Hall after church. Choir Christmas Concert at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary followed by a reception in Jordan Hall.

December 8 – Adornment Celebration at 4:00 p.m.

December 9 – Hanging of the Greens – Mrs. Ruth Gray and the Chamber Singers of Rosemead High School will sing Mrs. Gray's anthems, "Christmas Canon of Peace" and "No Room, No Room" with our choir at the 10:00 o'clock service. There will be a reception in Jordan Hall for Mrs. Gray, the Chamber Singers and their families following the service. Bring canned goods. Alternative Christmas Market in Jordan Hall. Glendale City College Concert – Sanctuary with reception following in JH.

December 16 – Alternative Christmas Market and Double Rings Bake Sale in Jordan Hall. 11:15-1:00 Christmas pageant rehearsal.

December 20 – "Blue" Christmas Service in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m.

December 23 – "Trek to the Tree" at 8 & 10 a.m. 11:15-1:00 Christmas pageant rehearsal.

December 24 – Christmas Eve Services at 5:00, 9:00 and 11:00 p.m.



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