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In Person Worship this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and

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

Please join us for ONLINE Sunday Worship Services (church website or Facebook Group Page)

This Sunday, July 18, 2021, in Worship

Scripture: Psalm 89:19-24 and Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Sermon: Jesus the "Healing Shepherd"

Prelude and Postlude: "More Love to Thee, O Christ" and "My Rock, My Fortress"

**Introit and Anthems: "Stand Up and Bless the Lord", "Search Me, O God",
and a Solo by Israel Segura**

**Congregational Hymns from UM Red Hymnal: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness #140",
"On Eagle's Wings #143", and "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us #381"**

Reservations are NO Longer Required for In Person Worship!

Among the Church Family

In Our Prayers:

Please continue to keep everyone previously mentioned in your prayers. Prayers for **Gay and Dan Place** as Dan is at Methodist Hospital.

The memorial service to celebrate the life of **Cindy Richardson** will be held here at Good Shepherd on **Saturday, July 17, at 10:00 a.m.** Pastor Eva and former Pastor Phil Wood will be participating in the service. Cindy lost her battle with cancer almost a year ago.



Chancel Flowers on Sunday, July 11, 2021, were given in memory of **Wayne Whitehill** by **Karen Whitehill and family**.



VBS is July 19-23!

Vacation Bible School is coming to Good Shepherd. Kids ages 4 to entering 5th grade: Come discover Adventure Island with us! We will gather July 19-23, 6:30-8:00pm every evening. Please bring: mask (everyone will wear them), a full tummy (we will not be sharing any food), a bottle of water (labeled with your name), and a sense of adventure! We'll have games, crafts, stories, and music throughout the week in our quest for God's Great Light! And the best part? This year it is FREE! Are you in middle or high school? We would still love to have you join us as a volunteer! Questions? Contact Heather Reynolds (626-272-6629, khreynolds89@earthlink.net) or the church office. We look forward to having you on the adventure!!!



What would you do if you had two small children and you suddenly lost your house? All you had were your possessions, but you had no bed for you or your children, no place to sleep, no relatives or friends that you could turn to for shelter. Would you sleep in your car? Could you afford to go to a motel? This, unfortunately, is the situation families are facing. Fortunately, however, there's Family Promise of San Gabriel Valley (FPSGV).

For more than 10 years, Family Promise of San Gabriel Valley has been helping families in need to find stable housing and develop the skills and tools to succeed independently.

Here are 2 important ways you can show your support for children and families battling homelessness and raise awareness of this crisis by joining Family Promise of San Gabriel Valley's second **“NIGHT WITHOUT A BED” SLEEP OUT ON JULY 24, 2021.**

1. Give up your comfortable bed for one night. Put up a tent in your back yard. Make a fort in your living room. Wrap up in blankets on the sofa or in a sleeping bag on the floor. Share the experience with friends and family. Post photos of your Night Without A Bed on social media using #NightWithoutABed, tag Family Promise, and ask sponsors to support your efforts to help families battling homelessness.
2. Make a financial contribution by going to <https://secure.givelively.org/donate/family-promise-of-san-gabriel-valley/night-without-a-bed-2021>.

Scroll down to “Give a child a bed today”. That takes you to the site where you can choose any amount you would like to donate; for example, \$30 provides a set of sheets for a child, \$50 ensures a family has a meal, \$100 shelters a family for a night.

- Be sure to select the ONE TIME DONATION tab located above the blue “Continue tab”.
- You can also send a check to Family Promise San Gabriel Valley, 1005 E. Las Tunas Blvd #525, San Gabriel, CA 91776 with “**Night Without a Bed**” in the memo line.

Your financial contribution will support the work of Family Promise to help families who are struggling. They need your support now more than ever! Let's show our Church of the Good Shepherd mission of serving and helping others.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2021 RECOMMENDATIONS and RESOLUTIONS

Participating at Annual Conference involves much listening to mission and committee reports, but there is the important role of voting on Recommendations and Resolutions. Some years there is voting for Cal Pac Conference representatives to the Western Jurisdiction and General Conference, but not this year.

“Recommendations” pertained mostly to Conference budget items: health care for active clergy & families, health care for retired clergy, clergy housing allowance, minimum compensation standards, salary ranges for Conference staff, etc. They also addressed requests for special programs, quotas, and special offerings. We elected or confirmed nominations to the many and varied Cal Pac Conference committees, boards, and task forces. Of note, the Conference tries hard to select people of different ethnicities, genders, ages, abilities, conference districts, etc. Most Recommendations passed with at least a 94% vote of registered laity and clergy.

“Resolutions” of note which were approved included: Endorsement of the sale of Aldersgate Retreat Center in Pacific Palisades and Camp Cisquito. (Of note, there are tentative plans to open a retreat center in South Pasadena.) Endorsement of the “Christmas Covenant Legislation.” This is a set of legislation and constitutional amendments submitted to the UMC’s General Conference with the goal of establishing regional equity in the structures of the church for missionary effectiveness while sustaining connectional unity. For more information, refer to <https://www.christmascovenant.com>. Endorsement of “Advocating for the Rights of Palestinian Children and Families”, showing support of federal legislation H.R. 2590, known as the “Palestinian Children and Families Act.” Introduced to the U.S. Congress in April 2021, this is also supported by many other church & religious denominations.

Submitted by Margaret Blair



Sierra Service Project

In 1991, Rev. Steve Horswill-Johnston introduced the youth of Good Shepherd to the Sierra Service Project. That first summer 13 youth and 7 adults traveled to Smith River, California where they worked, doing home repair for the Tolowa Indians living on the Smith River and Elk Valley Rancherias. Those 13 youth returned and related to the others how fun and fulfilling the work trip had been. In 1992, 21 youth and 3 adults made the trip and in 1994, 29 youth and 4 adults made it part of their summer. Soon after that Good Shepherd was annually sending the largest contingent of youth from any church in the Western states.

Through the years, 266 youth and adults from Good Shepherd have gone on the Sierra Service Project 713 times. Their combined efforts represent **28,520 hours of service (713 x 40 hours)**, doing home repair on Native American Reservations and Rancherias in Arizona, California, and Nevada.

In February of 2015, CGS participated in the SSP Weekend of Service for the first time, sending 10 Youth and 5 Adults to work in South Central Los Angeles and returned the following year. Their efforts represented **408 hours of service (34 x 12 hours)**.

Between these two service trips, we have provided **28,928 hours of community service!**

This summer marks the 30th anniversary of our participation with SSP! Fortunately, due to COVID-19, 15 Youth and 6 Advisors will be staying at home, doing virtual SSP programming, and working at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Arcadia! Our projects will include the painting of the balcony offices in the Sanctuary, gardening around the property, helping with Katie Lee’s Girl Scout Silver Award Lending Library, and assisting with Vacation Bible School.

This year, 6 of the 21 are first timers with CGS, and with their participation, the list of Good Shepherd people who have been to S.S.P. will grow to 272.

This year’s participants are:

Youth:

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| Daisylin Lazaro | Tyler Ross |
| *Katie Lee | Caitlyn Shen |
| Dylan Malasarn | Kevin Shyam |
| Amber Pattison | Phoenix Stanley |
| *Elle Quismorio | *Felix Veeraraj |
| Rebecca Richardson | *Sarah Veeraraj |
| Miranda Richenberger | *Hannah Wilson |
| Mackenzie Rios | |

Advisors:

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| *Janice Clark | Cindy Snavely |
| #Lynn Mondrala | Kevin Snavely |
| Franklyn Shen | Joel Tibbet |

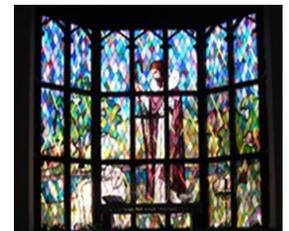
*First time attendees with CGS

#went as a youth in 1991

In Person Worship at CGS!

Church of the Good Shepherd is excited to present in person worship again! We are thankful for the staff, ushers, and volunteers who help each Sunday with the check in and seating process. **Reservations are no longer needed!** Below are a few things to remember if you are planning to attend the service:

- 1) Arrive 15-20 minutes early to allow time for check in.
- 2) The Ushers will escort you to your seat of choice.
- 3) Sunday School is off for the summer so activity packets will be provided for children who will remain seated with their families.
- 4) A stationary Offering Box will be used instead of the passing of offering plates.
- 5) Restrooms will be available- one person at a time.
- 6) No fellowship gathering following the service.
- 7) MASKS must be worn at all times.
- 8) Summer Aloha or Hawaiian attire is welcome.
- 9) If you are NOT feeling well- please stay home and enjoy the service that will still be available to view online!





The 2021 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 \$45 (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 stop by the church to 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.

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*open hearts,
open minds,
open doors*

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