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Sunday, June 21, 2020

Third Sunday After Pentecost

The Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin, Preaching

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 86:1-10 and Ephesians 6:11-18

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

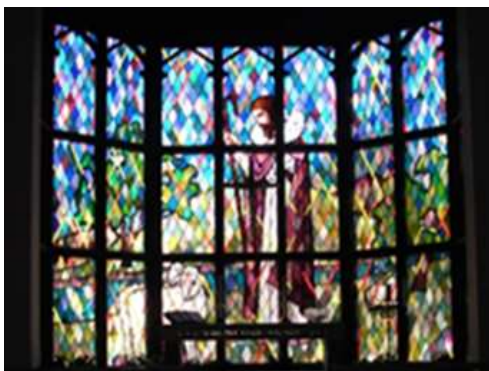
“Stay at Home Order” continues through June. In-person gatherings remain suspended.

Please join us for ONLINE Sunday Worship Services that will continue to be online  
(church website or Facebook Group Page).

**Among the Church Family**

Please continue to pray for those previously mentioned.

Our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of **General Tom Sinclair**  
upon his death on Saturday, June 13, 2020.



**June On-Line Worship Schedule:**

Worship services will continue  
to be on-line only during  
the month of June.

June 21 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Pentecost Sunday

Theme: The Armor of God and Father’s Day

June 28 – 4<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday

Theme: To Be Welcoming

**Foothill Unity Center Bags & Egg Cartons**

**Thank You** to the many church members who have supported the Foothill Unity Center by donating plastic bags and egg cartons. The Center is still collecting these items. During this “Stay at Home” era we have a different location for dropping them off. Whenever you are in the vicinity of the church, those bags and egg cartons can be placed in the box located near the entrance to the office. Arrangements have been made to transfer the contents of the box to Fellowship Hall for future delivery to Foothill Unity Center.

*-Vern and Lynne Whitaker*

# Celebrating 75 Years of Christian Ministry and Mission

## Through the Years Our Library is Launched



In looking through the archives of our church, we were fortunate to find a detailed summary of the very launching of our Church Library in 1954. It gave us facts and figures up until 1989, and even more pertinent, perhaps, the names of people involved through the years. Many of the ladies may well be remembered by churchgoers today, particularly our seniors.

Here is the text of the notes we found:

*The Library of the Church of the Good Shepherd was organized as a project of the Good Literature Committee to encourage reading good books. Mrs. Lyle Bergquist was chairman of the committee and Mrs. Don (Wilmuth) Chandler was appointed to serve as the first librarian. Mrs. Rollen Gillespie was appointed Assistant Librarian. A library panel was also appointed to select and approve all books.*

*The library was first opened during Holy Week (April 7-18) 1954, with 150 volumes available for Juniors, Teenagers, parents and teachers. Eighteen books were taken out during the week.*

*The Library was located in the room next to the Holly Avenue Litchgate. Dr. Don Chandler made equipment and library shelves, and Cynthia Chandler assisted when needed, as well.*

*New books were to be added in the various fields of interest with emphasis on books dealing with Christian Living.*

*By 1954-1955 there were 400 volumes and an average of 25 books were checked out each Sunday, the youth being the greatest users. Mrs. Clarence (Vera) Wirth later became librarian and served from 1966-1976, assisted by Mrs. Vivian Bristol and daughter Doris.*

*In the summer of 1970 the library was moved to Wesley Hall, an all-purpose room All books were re-catalogued and a new filing system set up. In 1959 the collection was reduced, giving 50 volumes to a newly organized library in a nearby Methodist Church. In 1989 and 1990 many books were given to the Arcadia public Library for sale and several newer books were given to us by the library of the Arcadia First Presbyterian Church.*

*Many Memorial gifts have been received over the years as well as gifts from church members and the ministers.*

*In 1989 Mrs. Bill (Laura) Derrick became the assistant as Mrs. Charley (Joy) Gordon took over to renew the library after a period of inactivity. Elizabeth Orde, Eugenia Hawkins, and several other ladies did a lot of weeding and assisted in the change to the Dewey System.*

*A library cart is taken to the Jordan Hall porch during Coffee Time before and after church. The library also keeps the Reading Program books for the United Methodist Women.*

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We'll return next week with a continuation of the Library's history up until the present day. Perhaps both papers will be found in the archives when our church celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

## Foothill Unity Center Wish List

Vital services are needed now more than ever. Thank you for your support during this crisis. The center's wish list:

- Monetary Donations
- Disposable Gloves
- Disposable Masks
- Hand Sanitizer
- Volunteers
- Paper grocery bags
- Non-perishable food
- Tissue, Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Personal Hygiene Products
- Cleaning Products



**NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS**  
Support our COVID-19 response efforts for food and basic needs  
**MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED MOST**  
**DONATE TODAY**

For 40 Years, Foothill Unity Center has helped neighbors in need with programs that focus on: Food, Health, Crisis Case Management, Job Development, and Housing and Homeless services.

**DONATE**   **GET HELP**   **VOLUNTEER**   **GET INVOLVED**

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### Pastor Eva's Newsletter Message

Dear Church of the Good Shepherd Members and Friends,

With the theme of, "We are the Church: Transforming the World," the 36th Annual Session of the California-Pacific Conference will take place virtually this week on June 18-20, 2020. From my first Annual Conference as a District Lay Youth Delegate to attending in recent years as Clergy, I have attended a total of 20, yes 20 times! Each year it is exciting to be a part of the process that both Lay and Clergy equally participate in to complete the business of the Conference.

I must admit that it will be odd this year to not attend in person the wonderful Worship, Plenary, Small Group, and Fellowship Sessions. But I am reminded that the important work of the conference will continue as we meet virtually.

I am thankful for the church's lay delegates as we will experience this virtual conference together. This year's lay delegates are: Margaret Blair, Craig Lucas, Dave Raymond, and Lynn Rivera. We will meet in Jordan Hall, sitting the appropriate social distance apart and using our own electronic devices to review and vote for important conference business. Observer Diane Lucas and Hawaii Lay Delegate Michael Chesnut (regular CGS attendee and Fuller Seminary Student) will join us as well.

While the Lay Delegates and I will be reviewing and voting on important Conference Business, all members of the church are invited to follow along online. Please visit the 2020 Annual Conference website page: <http://www.calpacumc.org/ac2020/>. This page contains the conference schedule, reports and resolutions, and also the link that may allow viewers at home to watch the worship services and plenary sessions. Our church delegation will give a summary report in the weeks following the Annual Conference. In the meantime, please pray for our team, the District Superintendent Rev. McKinnon, and Bishop Hagiya as we gather virtually with clergy and lay throughout the conference to be the church together to transform the world!

Together in Christ's Service,

**Pastor Eva**

## Upcoming Events to Mark on Your Calendars!!

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Pictorial Directory Photos have been postponed until October 7-10

Ladies, The 2020 Women's Retreat Weekend is October 16-18. Pastor Eva will be our leader!! Mark your calendars now so you don't have a conflict!! We hope by October we can have our event! We will keep you posted on whether we can do it as scheduled or postpone it. One option is to move it to Spring this year. We are in dialog with Aldersgate Retreat Center about possible dates in 2021...avoiding Easter, of course! Another thought is to do a one day event here at the church this October and plan our regular retreat weekend for 2021 in October. If you have any feedback at this time, please email Linda Doran at [ldoran@cgsun.org](mailto:ldoran@cgsun.org) with your thoughts.



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