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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Thursday, December 24, 2020

**Christmas Eve Worship Services Broadcast on
Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG:**

**Beginning at 2:00 PM is our Christmas Cantata led by our Youth Choir and Youth Bells.
Then, beginning at 7:00 PM Candlelight Service featuring our Choir section leaders and
guest guitar and cello musicians.**

Christmas Eve Youth Cantata Service

Special Music: Bell Tree duet prelude "Veni Emmanuel"; Youth Bells Anthem "Away in the Manger";
Cello & Piano duet postlude "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"


Youth Bells: Amber Pattison, Phoenix Stanley, Elle Quismorio, Kevin Shyam, Felix Veeraraj.

Youth Cantata of Lessons and Carols with Youth Choir members: Daisylin Lazaro, Dylan Malasarn, Elle
Quismorio, Rebecca Richardson, Miranda Richenberger, Tyler Ross, Caitlyn Shen, Hannah Wilson

Musicians: Frankly Shen, piano; Stephanie Shen, cello; and William Shen, percussion

Youth Choir Director: Janice Clark

Children's Moment by Michael Chesnut, Ministry Intern

Congregational Hymns: "O Come, All Ye Faithful #234", "Joy to the World #246" 

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Special Music: Cello and Guitar Prelude "Pavane, Op. 50"; "People Look East"; Youth Chimes "O Come, O
Come, Emmanuel"; "Where Else Would a Lamb Be Born?"; Guitar Solo "Farewell"; "There is No Rose"; "My
Lord Has Come"; "O Holy Night"; Cello Solo Postlude "Gesù Bambino"

Scripture Readings from Luke 2:1-20 with Lay Reader, Chris Holder

Section Leaders: Garrison Holder, Susan Holder, Kenny Landaverde, Carolyn Noonchester, Israel Segura

Cello: Cathy Biagini, Guitar: Brian Barany, Music Director: Stephen Cook

Congregational Hymns: "O Come, All Ye Faithful vs.1-3 #234"; "O Little Town of Bethlehem #230"; "Angels
We Have Heard on High #238"; "The First Noel #245"



All are encouraged to participate in the Lighting of the Christ Candle at the end of the Service. You may use your own candle at home, or the LED Votive provided by the church. If you did not receive a votive, one per family is available for pick up outside of the church office. OR please email Pastor Eva (PastorEva@cgsum.org) by Wednesday if you need one dropped off to you.

Year End Finance Reminder

Christmas Offerings, 2020 Pledges or Tithes for 2020 should be turned into the church office, by December 28, 2020.

And, Year End news: This newsletter is the final one for 2020. The next "Word" will be typed and sent to the printer on January 11, 2021. The email version will be created at that time and sent out that week also. Any articles for that issue should be sent to ldoran@cgsun.org by January 8, 2021.

2021 Flower Chart

The 2021 Flower Chart is now hanging in the Narthex of the Sanctuary and we can sign up to give flowers "in honor of" or "in memory of" loved ones (or in celebration of an anniversary, birthday, special event or accomplishment) by calling Linda Doran in the church office, 626-447-2181. The cost of the flowers is \$45 (payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd") Mail the check to the church and write "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. 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. 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 at 9:00 a.m. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship center.



Also: If you ordered 2020 flowers and have not sent your check in to pay for them, please do so before December 28 so that we can reconcile the Altar Flowers account for 2020. We have a deficit of around \$500 and would like to make sure that all payments are applied correctly. If you notice when you get your yearend statement that payments made went to something besides Altar Flowers, let us know. Thanks!

**WISHING YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A JOYOUS NEW YEAR**



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Sierra Service Project Invitation

In partnership with Church of the Good Shepherd, the Sierra Service Project invites youth to join ZZZP with SSP on **Wednesday, December 30 at 3:30pm-4:30pm (Pacific Time)**. Led by youth, and designed for youth, the monthly gatherings are open to entire households! Join CGS UMYF President **Tyler Ross** and others for a quick break of fun! Register for free at sierraserviceproject.org -> **zzp with ssp** .

Advent Drive Thru Event Brought Joy, Peace, Hope and Love!

Thank you to all who came to the church's Drive Thru Event. | Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus and greeters brought **Joy** with words of cheer.→



←The singers sang duets and the Christmas Tree ushers collected offerings by the Christmas Tree of **Peace**.

Hope was announced by the angel to the shepherds as acoustic guitar music played in the background.→



←**Love** shown around the Holy Family in the manger scene.



And a **Blessing** with votives and poinsettia pick up was offered by Pastor Eva and volunteers.→



Much appreciation goes to all who volunteered to help make this event so wonderful: **Arnold family (Dawn, Rick, Michael, Stephen), Margaret and Ken Blair, Amy and Emily Crouse, Joe and Marcia D'Amore, Kevin and Linda Doran, Pedro and Pete Galindo, Geis family (Mary Ann, Jason, baby Ryan), Craig and Diane Lucas, Lynn Mondrala, Cindy Ostry, Heather Reynolds, David and Ashley Rios, Lynne Rivera, Tyler Ross, David Steinmeier, and Shen family (Catilyn, Stephanie, Franklyn).**

Upcoming Events to Mark on Your Calendars!!

Sunday, December 27, 2020

**Broadcast beginning at 10:00 a.m. on
Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG**

This Service will be a prerecorded service provided
by the Bishop and District Superintendents.



Sunday, January 3, 2021

**Broadcast beginning at 10:00 a.m. on
Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG**

Epiphany Sunday

Sunday, January 10, 2021

**Broadcast beginning at 10:00 a.m. on
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Baptism of the Lord



*open hearts,
open minds,
open doors*

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