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Worship Schedule for
The Church of the Good Shepherd
Sunday, September 28, 2014

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
*Last "OFFICIAL" Sunday for Aloha Shirts and Summer,
Casual Dress (but feel free to dress comfortably at all times)!*

Worship at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

Worship at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Gospel Lesson is Matthew 21:23-27

The Witness is "Politically Correct"

Senior Pastor Philip Bertolo Wood, Preaching

8:00 a.m. – Worship in the Chapel.

9:00 – Bible Study – AEC

9:00 – Youth Bells call time.

9:30 – Youth Choir rehearsal – MR.

9:30 – 12:30 – Childcare – Toddler Room.

10:00 a.m. – Worship in the Sanctuary – Youth Bells and Youth Choir in the service.

10:00 – Sunday School after Children's Time.

10:00 – 2013-2014 President's Volunteer Youth Service Awards.

11:15 – Coffee Fellowship – Jordan Hall & Patio.

11:15 – Women's Retreat Sign-Ups – Patio.

11:30 – Youth Bells, open to all 6th – 12th graders. Sanctuary.

11:30 – Carol Choir – graders 2-6 – Activity Center.

11:30 – Church Council – AEC.

4:30 p.m. – Youth Choir, open to all 6th – 12th graders. MR.

6:00 – Youth Choir Dinner – (bring \$3) - JH.

6:30 – UMYF - Open to all 6th – 12th graders. Franklyn will be leading the program tonight.

8:00 – KNIGHTS will be going out for dessert tonight.

Among the Church Family

In Our Prayers:

Please continue to pray for those previously mentioned and include **Wayne Whitehill** at Methodist Hospital and **Elaine Iverson** who is having knee surgery.

Condolences go to the family of **Jim McIntyre** upon his death on September 19, 2014. The memorial service will be this Saturday in Chico. Sympathy cards may be sent to Jim's sister, **Marlene Hutcheson**, 1920 W. Parkside Avenue, Burbank, CA, 91506.

The memorial service for **Don Johnson** is **Saturday, October 4, at 10 a.m.** in our Sanctuary.

A Celebration of Life for **John Halberstadt** will be held on Saturday, October 18, at 2:00 p.m., in the Main Clubhouse Rancho California RV Resort. For more information contact **Bart Halberstadt** at 626-664-9144.

Pastor's Vacation:

Associate Pastor Joshua Clough will be on vacation beginning Thursday, September 25, through Monday, September 29. He will be back in the office on Tuesday, September 30.

Thank You Note:

United Methodist Men would like to thank all the people who helped us with the Homecoming Barbeque on September 14. There are too many people to thank by name so to all of you who helped set up, serve and clean up, "Thank you!" One special "thank you" to **John Garton**, our barbeque chief, who besides cooking outside in 108 degree heat, also purchased all the food. **Dave Cooper, President UMM**

Still Spots Available

All women of the church are invited to this wonderful experience which will feature **Kathy Noling** whose topic will be "The House That Built Me" based on Proverbs 3:5-6. Stop by the table on patio after church. The price is the same as last year - \$210 for early registration (by Oct. 1), \$240 after that. Don't delay as the spaces are limited and are going quickly. As always, registration is on a first come, first served basis.

As Fall Programs Begin

Now that we're home from summer vacation and travels, it's time to step back into day to day activities and responsibilities. This includes bringing our pledges current. As of the end of August, we were a little behind on receipt of pledges. With many church activities ramping up after Homecoming, having funds on hand to cover these additional expenses will allow us to move confidently into the last four months of the year.

FLU SHOTS – October 26

Thanks to the Health Ministries program at Methodist Hospital, CGS will be offering free flu shots to anyone age 9 years and older, on Sunday, October 26th, 9 AM - noon in the Lounge. Requests for sign-ups will start in a couple of weeks. If you are a nurse, or know of a nurse who would like to assist us that morning, please email Margaret Blair at kdblair@earthlink.net.

Women's Craft Workshop

After taking off most of the summer, our United Methodist Women's Wednesday Evening Crafters Workshop, has started up again with an eye towards the end-of-the-year holiday boutiques. The crafters meet Wednesdays at **7:00-9:00 p.m.**, in the church library. All women are invited and all types of crafts are welcome with the proceeds from items made then sold at UMW Boutiques going toward mission projects.

The Overture Music Academy

We are pleased to announce the start of The Overture Music Academy, located here at CGS. The Academy offers piano and guitar instruction in small group classes for preschool children and children in grades 2-6. Overture was created as an option for parents who want the most qualified teachers instructing their children, but with the added socialization provided by a small group environment. Unlike many other music schools and music stores where teaching is offered, all of Overture's teachers have at least a Master's degree and a minimum of 15 years teaching experience. In fact, Overture's teachers are also currently on the faculty of the Colburn School of Performing Arts, Whittier College, the Pasadena Conservatory of Music, and others and are already successful teachers for elementary-age children. Find out more about the Academy at www.overturemusic.org.

Family Promise – All Church Potluck – Friday, September 26

Good Shepherd will celebrate the beginning of our new Family Promise ministry with an all-church potluck on Friday, September 26, in Jordan Hall. The potluck will begin at 6:30 pm. The Family Promise Coordinating Team will provide the beverages. Church members are asked to bring sufficient food to feed 12-people:

- A to J main dish/casserole
- K-R salad/veggie
- S-Z dessert

Please arrive before 6:30pm to set up the food for our church members and Family Promise families.

A New Media Presence!

Check us out! Now, thanks to a CGS Foundation Grant, an ad for the Church of the Good Shepherd appears each Friday in the Religious Directory on the Faith page of the Pasadena Star-News. The grants seek to enhance our church's "future growth, both in spirit and in number," which these ads should help promote. We are making our presence known to the community in a new way! From time to time, we hope also to announce special events in the newspaper's "Observing the Faiths" section. So check us out every Friday.

2014 Flower Chart

There are still open spots on the 2014 Flower Chart in the Narthex of the Sanctuary. 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. The cost of the flowers is still only \$40 (payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd") and the church office will place your order with ZuZu's Petals of Arcadia and have the personalized message in the church bulletin on the appropriate Sunday. After the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service that Sunday, you are welcome to take your flowers home with you.

Keep the Plastic Bags Coming

Foothill Unity Center has been very appreciative of Church of the Good Shepherd supplying plastic bags for so long. Due to the current economic situation, they are serving more clients than ever before and use somewhere around 3,000 or more bags per week. Please keep bringing your clean, hole-free double-handled plastic bags from the supermarkets, drug stores and similar facilities. The plastic bags should be placed in the box in Jordan Hall. Collection and delivery of the bags continue on a weekly basis. Double Rings Fellowship Group has been spearheading this project and they, along with Foothill Unity Center, both thank you for your continued support!

Avanti!

On Sundays, October 12 and 19, we will be having the **Conversation with the Pastor** immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Services. These two one hour conversations are updated versions of our former New Member Classes. They are designed to lead one to a deeper commitment through Christ by becoming a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd. Child care will be provided.

We will be welcoming our newest members on Sunday, October 26, 2014. Please be present to guide and uphold our new sisters and brothers as we continue to celebrate the growth of our mission and ministry in this region.

AVANTI!

Phil

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open minds,
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Upcoming Events:

September 21-27 – Family Promise.

September 26 – All Church Potluck with Family Promise.

September 28 – Church Council meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the AEC.

October 5 – Blessing of the Animals in the courtyard at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring their pets to be blessed by our Pastors!

October 12 and 19 – Conversation with the Pastor (updated version of the New Member Class).

October 17-19 – Fall Women's Retreat at Aldersgate Retreat Center in Pacific Palisades. Guest speaker is Kathy Noling on "The House that Built Me." Register by October 1, and get an early-sign-up discount!

October 26 – New Members received during Worship Services.

October 26 – Flu Shots in the Lounge, 9:00 a.m. to noon.