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

This Sunday, May 30, 2021

Trinity Sunday and Memorial Weekend

Scripture Readings: Psalm 29 and John 3:1-17

Sermon: "To Be Born of Water and Spirit"

Prelude and Postlude: "Little Chaconne" and "We Sing of God"

***Introit and Anthems: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty", "The Mansions of the Lord",
a Solo by Susan Holder, and a special Anthem from the Carillon Bell Choir.***

Congregational Hymns: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty #64",

"Spirit of the Living God #393", "We Believe in One True God #85"

****The Mother's Day slide show will be shown again at the end of the service.***

Please email Pastor Eva (UmcPastorEva@gmail.com)

by this Friday any photos you would like to be included in the slideshow.

Among the Church Family

Please keep those previously mentioned in your prayers. Please include **Linda Collar** in your prayers for a speedy recovery as she had hip surgery last week. Prayers for **Kim Lazaro's** parents, **Gloria and Terry Seto** who are both battling cancer and Gloria fell and fractured her elbow. Prayers needed for strength and recovery.

The two altar flower arrangements last Sunday, May 23, were given: **in memory of Art Leatherman by his family; and in celebration of Bret Mulligan's** birthday by **Craig and Diane Lucas**.

Back to In Person Open Worship Set for June 20th!

The District has approved the church's plans for opening worship and having In Person Worship Services again! The church now projects our In Person services to begin on Father's Day Sunday, June 20th! Please save this date. More details to follow.

Music Ministry Sunday Service- Audio Version still Available!

Reminder you can still watch or listen to the Music Ministry Sunday Service! The worship service is posted online to the church's Facebook Group Page (Church of the Good Shepherd) and the church website (www.cgsum.org). OR if you prefer to listen to an audio version of the service- the full Music Ministry Sunday Worship Service can be heard anytime between now and the end of May by calling this local #626-210-4074.

Call 626-210-4074





2021 Memorial/Veteran's Day Flowers Deadline May 26, 2021

It is a tradition at our church to have special Chancel Flowers on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day in honor of **all** those who have served or are currently serving in our country's armed forces. We would like to honor your service, or the service of a loved one, by adding your name, rank and the branch in which you served to our list. We invite you to give a donation to the flower fund to keep this tradition going. Checks should be made payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd" and turned into the office with "Veterans' Flowers" on the memo line of the check by Wednesday, May 26, 2021. Suggested annual donation of \$20 covers both holidays. Those making a donation will be shown with an asterisk, but all who have served or are currently serving will be listed.

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. 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. 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.



Calling All High School Graduates:

Congratulations to the Class of 2021! Without a doubt, the Class of 2021 has overcome the most challenges of any class that we know, and your church family would like to recognize your accomplishments. We will be doing a slide show for this year's Seniors that will be shown during the Youth Musical on Sunday, June

13. If you would like to be included, please email Franklyn Shen (fnjshen@sbcglobal.net) a baby picture, senior picture, and 3-5 other pictures that you would like included. Also, please send him a list of accomplishments, the high school you are graduating from, and your future plans. Please send Franklyn the information by Sunday, May 23, 2021. Thank you for your perseverance and congratulations on finishing high school!

Calling All Graduates!

All 2021 Graduates: If you, or your child, are graduating from Middle School, Sr. High School, College or Graduate School, please inform the Church Office by phone, 626-447-2181, or email: ldoran@cgsun.org, to be included in the annual list of graduates. Please include the name of the graduate, who they are related to (parents, grandparents, spouse – not the whole extended family, please) and the school they are graduating from. If graduating from college or graduate school, include the type of degree earned and the field of study. The deadline to submit names is Friday, June 18.

Plastic Bags and Egg Cartons

Foothill Unity Center is still collecting egg cartons and plastic bags. Whenever you are in the vicinity of the church, they 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 the Center.



Mission and Vision Statement



Greetings, CGSers! In case you haven't heard, the church is retooling its vision and mission statements. In other words, we're rethinking our specific purpose as a church and reimagining what we want CGS to look like in the upcoming years. Once we're finished, the mission and vision statements will guide the church's actions and ministries and determine how we use our time and resources. Ideally, ultimately *everything* the church will do will be in fulfillment of this newly formed mission and vision. Thus, developing this mission and vision is incredibly important work with far-reaching consequences. It will impact all of us for years to come. Since we are all CGS together, we invite the whole church to be involved in the process. Our next meeting will be this Thursday, May 27th at 7 p.m. over Zoom, and you can contact Margaret Blair for the Zoom link. We'd love to see you there.

-Michael Chesnut, Ministerial Intern

Peace with Justice Sunday

One of United Methodist Church's six Special Sundays with offering, Peace with Justice Sunday is a faithful expression of shalom in the Bible. This Sunday, May 30, is officially Peace with Justice Sunday although it can be celebration on any Sunday. It calls the church to strengthen its capacity to advocate publicly in communities and nations throughout the world. The offering is administered by the General Board of Church and Society and benefits peace with justice ministries in the annual conferences and around the world. Half of our gifts stay with local ministries in this conference and half support the work of Church and Society globally. For example:

- A grant from The Pacific Northwest Annual Conference through Seabold United Methodist Church in Bainbridge Island, WA, helped support the needs of members with intellectual disabilities who were part of the Island Time Activities program.
- The Summer Arts Camp of United Methodist Church of the Redeemer, in Temple Hills, MD, received a grant from the Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference. In partnership with Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center, funds supported an experience designed to help children unleash their creative abilities through a variety of artistic expressions including drama, music, dance, visual arts and photography.
- Please give generously online to UMC.org/SSGive or mail checks to Peace with Justice Sunday GCFA, P.O. Box 340029, Nashville, TN 37203. Checks can also be directed to your local church by writing "PWJS" in the memo line.



Walking Group

Our walking group meets weekly on Tuesdays at 8 am. Everyone is welcome! Bring and wear a mask and plan to social distance. For more information call walk leader, **Catherine Doster**, 626-365-6447 or email her at catherine.doster@yahoo.com

Year-Round Grant Applications for 2021 Are Being Accepted

The CGS Foundation Year-Round Grant Program is open for 2021 grant requests. The purpose of a grant must be the aid, promotion, and development of the religious, charitable, and educational activities, purposes, functions, and progress of the Church of the Good Shepherd UMC, Arcadia. All grant applications must be submitted online only using the Foundation Online Grant Form - click the link below. Online grant application assistance will be provided when requested. [Year-Round Grant Application](#)



In Honor of “Be Kind to Animals” Month



The Children’s Center is collecting old towels for a donation to the Pasadena and San Gabriel Humane Societies, May 1–31. A box for donation drop off is located in front of the Children’s Center office or Church office. Thank you for your support of this collection project!!!

Women’s Book Study Returns to Library

The Women’s Book Study is now back in its regular meeting spot before the pandemic, the church library! Join the discussion at 12:00 noon every Wednesday in the CGS library....be sure to wear a mask and plan to social distance!



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open minds,
open doors*

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