### Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

### SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

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#### Words from the Pastor...

#### Jesus Is Head over All

"And Jesus is head of the body the church, the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead so that in everything he might have the supremacy." Colossians 1:18

In the August sermons, I talked about how Jesus broke down the walls of hostility. We can stand against the forces of evil that seek to divide and destroy us. The victory has been won and we are at peace with God and each other. And prayer reminds us that we are connected with God. In that we can stand strong and confident. Today I would like to give you my prayer for our Good Shepherd Church.

Lord Jesus Christ, this day I pronounce over Good Shepherd Church that You rule over all. You alone are head of the body. Your Church. You are Lord over allsupreme in all things! For God the Father was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in You. Lord Jesus. and through You, to reconcile all things to Yourself. All things-on earth and in heaven. You have brought everything near through Your blood shed on the cross, You the Righteous One for the unrighteous, that we might be brought into the family of God! Once, we were totally separated from the Father. We were orphaned, enemies in our minds because of our wickedness. We were without hope and without God. But now, because of Your

finished work on the cross, we have been reconciled to God, presented as holy—spotless! Strengthen us by Your Spirit I pray, to live out this mystery. May we as Your people choose to humble ourselves before You and submit to Your Word. Destroy pride, self-righteousness and all strongholds of self-reliance among us. May I and my brothers and sisters in Christ be strengthened to stand firm this day and walk in the great victory of the cross. May we be established and unmovable-always clinging to the hope of the gospel, and unaffected by the lies of the accuser. For Jesus Christ, You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father, and we are Yours! This day as a member of Your Body, the Church, I choose to humble myself under Your lordship and I proclaim that You are head over all. Jesus, You are Lord over Your Church. Jesus. You are Lord over my church community. Jesus, You are Lord over my life. Lord Jesus, I make this confession in Your mighty name, the Name above all names, Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Amen!

(Psalm 24:1, 103:19; Hebrews 1:3; Colossians 1:15-23; Acts 10:36; 1 Corinthians 15:20-21; 1 Peter 3:18; Ephesians 2:12; Philippians 2:11; Matthew 16:18)

Blessing, Pastor Khnong Chan

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS/ ANNIVERSARIES

6<sup>th</sup> Randy Miller

10<sup>th</sup> Linda Priester

13<sup>th</sup> Ingrid Kuemmel-Reovan

17<sup>th</sup> Pete Thelander

22<sup>nd</sup> Keira Somsak

25<sup>th</sup> Sammy Christian

28<sup>th</sup> Michael Boyd

28th Phil Maggs

Please let the church office know if we're missing on any important dates!



#### SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

11<sup>th</sup> - Trustee Meeting, 7 p.m.

18<sup>th</sup> - Preschool Board Meeting, 6:15 p.m.

> Church Council Meeting, 7 p.m.



### **GOOD SHEPHERD LUNCH BUNCH**

The Ladies Who Lunch is no more. We heard from some husbands that they were interested in going to lunch but they didn't want to go to a ladies' lunch. So we are renaming the group as Good Shepherd Lunch Bunch and inviting everyone to come. It's that simple to fix.

The new mixed group lunch will be at Uncle Pete's Café, on Beach Blvd., on **Friday**, **September 21**<sup>st</sup>, at <u>12:30 p.m.</u> If you are available, you are urged to join us. Please let Peggy Reardon know if you plan to attend at perkypeggy@aol.com or 714-897-5883.



#### **MISSION TRIP**



The American Family Housing and Illumination Foundation have invited us to meet with their director, tour their facilities and learn about their programs to help the homeless. These organizations are the nearest places to the church for us to do local outreach in our community.

They are located a block and a half away from the church on Jackson Street. Good Shepherd has a history of helping out the American Family Housing since it was organized as the shelter for the homeless program nearly 30 years ago. Both Pastor Ase and Pastor Khuong are going.

> The tour is: **Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.**

We will meet at the church no later than 9:45 a.m. so we can carpool. They have very little parking. Anyone who is interested in working with this local mission is invited to join us. We will be asking how we can help year round and what special things we can do for the holiday season.

Please call the office and let us know if you plan to attend at goodshepherdwestminster@yahoo.com or 714-897-0100.

## GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL



Good Shepherd School is anticipating a promising year in 2018-2019. We are so excited and ready to spread the word of God to new families. Also, we are so looking forward to create new and great memories that the children's little minds will cherish in future years. We feel so blessed and honored at Good Shepherd School because we can make a difference in children's lives.





For the new school year, we will continue using a curriculum that meets the state foundations. We use a research based curriculum called Core Knowledge and Zoo Phonics to prepare the children for kindergarten along with Bible stories, and the fruit of the spirit. We will also continue incorporating the "Nature Explore" curriculum into our program. The children will be exposed to a more natural learning environment that will prepare them for their elementary years and help them to appreciate God's creations. Besides the physical development, the children will be exposed to the love of God throughout their time at school. It is the sharing of God's love and God's creations that makes Good Shepherd School different from other schools. Our After School Program will also incorporate gardening/animals, science, etc. to the daily routines. We are also going to continue offering help with homework.

Just a reminder, you are always welcomed to come spend time with the children. The children really enjoy having visitors to share their stories, read a book to them or play an instrument. Whatever time you would like to spend with them, it would be greatly appreciated it. You are cordially invited to come and put an extra smile in our children's face.

Thank you so much for keeping our school in your prayers. Please come and visit out school and see how our environment has changed.

#### On the news...

Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> - School Closed Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> - First Day of School Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> - Back to School Night, 6:30-7:30 P.M.

> Blessings, From the staff and children

# SEPTEMBER 2018



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