



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

JANUARY 26, 2025



January 26, 2025 | 10:45 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUTREACH GREETING | Virginia, CGS Global Partner

CALL TO WORSHIP | Chris Garrett, Pastor of Congregational Care

SONG | *"Great and Mighty"*

SONG | *"Holy Forever"*

OLD TESTAMENT READING | *Psalm 27:4-6, pg. 460*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN | *(Ages 3 to 3rd grade)*

Q: What is our prayer for our children?

A: To know and enjoy God and his word.

CONFESSION OF FAITH | *New City Catechism Q & A #30*

Q. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is acknowledging the truth of everything that God has revealed in his Word, trusting in him, and also receiving and resting on him alone for salvation as he is offered to us in the gospel.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING | *Ruth 4, pg. 224*



TODAY'S SINGERS are Alex Mitchell, Lisa Langford, and Pat Pun.

SERMON | Simon Stokes, Lead Pastor

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

SONG | "Goodness of God"

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on you. Deliver us from every evil habit, and forgive us for every sin. Remove everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, and everything that prevents us taking delight in you. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | 1 John 1:9

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

SONG | "Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me"

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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TASTE OF CGS | TODAY

Are you new to our church and looking to connect with others? Do you have questions and want to learn more about our church? Head over to the Whipple's house (4210 Peachway Dr.) after Worship from **12:15-1:15 p.m.** for "A Taste of CGS."

JOIN US FOR LUNCH WITH VIRGINIA | TODAY

Our overseas partner, Virginia Y, will share her unique perspective on the state of the church in China in rapidly changing times. Meet us for lunch after the Worship service in Conference Room.

YOUNG ADULT LUNCH | TODAY

Hello YAC! Head over to lunch at Jason's Deli (5408 New Hope Commons Dr.) at **1:00 p.m.** to enjoy some good company and food! Contact Julie Trollinger (julie94t@gmail.com) with any questions!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

See you downstairs in the youth room **tonight** from **6:30-8:15 p.m.** for youth group! Come join us as we meet for quality time together and in God's word. We're diving into the Sermon on the Mount each week this spring! Questions? Email Spencer Johnson (spencerjohnson@cgsonline.org).

CONDOLENCES

We wish to express our condolences to **Steve Jones**, who not only lost his father, but also his brother, Earl Jones, who passed away 6 days later. Give thanks that Earl was a follower of Jesus.

COMBINED SMC BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY

Session 2 of our Sunday Morning Classes begins next **Sunday, February 2**, at **9:30 a.m.**, featuring a combined class for the month of February. In this class, the CGS pastors will explore the purpose & practices of the church, as well as as the role the church plays in our walk with Christ & our life together.

COMMUNITY GARDEN INTEREST MEETING

Join us next **Sunday, February 2, 12:30 p.m.** to learn more about our CGS Community Garden! We need the expertise of gardeners, artists, and handymen. Plan to participate in the Super Sunday potluck lunch, and then we'll move to room S201 at **12:30** to discuss garden plans. Contact Amanda Briscoe (amanda.m.briscoe@gmail.com) or Tara Carlson (tara.b.singh@gmail.com).

THANKS GIVING CELEBRATION

Save the date! On **March 23**, from **4:30-7:00 p.m.**, you're invited celebrate the Lord's blessings on CGS with an evening of games, great food, and worship. The first hour (**4:30-5:30**) will include some large games aimed at the youth (& young at heart)! Sign-up details to come.

PARENTING CONFERENCE

February 14-15 | Midtown and Christ the King Churches in Raleigh are excited to host the "Purposeful Parenting" Conference featuring David Thomas, co-host of the "Raising Boys & Girls" podcast! Gain practical help and hope through David's knowledge, experience, and resources! Learn more via the QR code.

THANK YOU FROM THE DEACONS

The deacons would like to thank the congregation for their tremendous generosity in donating over \$3,800 towards Refugee Support Ministries mercy relief. Your gifts are already making a big difference in the lives of those the church serves. Thank you!

BUDGET SUMMARY

For Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Total Annual Budget:	\$1,950,000
Budget for the First 6 Months, ending 12/31/2024:	\$975,500
Actual Contributions received as of 12/31/2024:	\$1,014,185
Difference between CGS budget and actual Contributions received:	\$38,685
Actual Contributions received minus Expenses paid or (shortfall):	\$117,323

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