



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

APRIL 20, 2025

EASTER SUNDAY



April 20, 2025 | 10:45 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP | Chris Garrett, Pastor of Congregational Care

Pastor: Christ is risen.

Congregation: He is risen indeed!

SONG | *"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"*

SONG | *"Because He Lives (Amen)"*

SCRIPTURE READING | *1 Corinthians 15:50-56, pg. 962*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING | *John 20:24-31, pg. 907*

SERMON | Simon Stokes, Lead Pastor

SONG | *"Living Hope"*

Today's Singers are Jen Whipple, Lisa Langford, and Pat Pun.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we have done things You have forbidden and left undone things You have commanded. We have not loved You with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. As judge of the whole earth You would be just to condemn us. Yet in Your love You sent Christ to bear the guilt of our sin and suffer our punishment. To Him now we flee; forgive us for His sake, and by Your Spirit help us to live in the light of His sacrifice, lives worthy of Your name. For in Him we hope and in Him we come before You this day. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | *Romans 5:6, 8*

"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly...
but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us"

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG | *"O Praise The Name (Anástasis)"*

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

SONG | *"Death Was Arrested"*

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above,

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more announcements, please turn the page and/or scan the QR code on the back page.

YOUNG ADULTS EASTER POTLUCK | TODAY

The Mahafza's are excited to invite young adults over for an Easter Potluck at **1:30 p.m.** Share your favorite festive dish or treat as we celebrate that Christ is risen! RSVP via the QR code. Questions? Contact Amy Gillespie (avgillespie@gmail.com).

VBS REGISTRATION | APRIL 22

Register for VBS via the emailed link by **April 22** if you are part of our CGS family! Have you invited friends or neighbors? Email Bethany (bethanyporter@cgsonline.org) their names & rising grades to ensure priority placement by **April 22**. Public registration opens on our website (cgsonline.org) at **8:00 a.m.** on **April 23**.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Use the QR code to register for any of the activities below.

FOURTH FRIDAYS WORSHIP JAM | APRIL 25

Calling the CGS music team and anyone else who'd enjoy jamming to join us for a worship session at the Pun's house (4706 Cumberland Dr.) at **7:30 p.m.** on **April 25**. Bring your own instrument and a device to read lead sheets. Questions? Contact Matt (mattmcclure@cgsonline.org).

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS | APRIL 27

NO youth group tonight. Next week is our **LAST** youth group of the semester from **6:30-8:15 p.m.** with games, worship, and time in God's word! Questions? Contact Spencer (spencerjohnson@cgsonline.org).

APRIL DURHAM RESCUE MEAL | APRIL 27

Thank you for supporting this monthly ministry for our DRM brothers. CGS will provide lunch at the DRM men's campus next **Sunday, April 27**. Please bring your dishes to the main kitchen on Sunday morning. Sign up below or contact Will (wburkhart877@gmail.com or 919-732-5199).

CGS ANNUAL CAMPOUT | MAY 2-3

Calling all ages to join us at Jordan Lake State Park **May 2-3** for our annual CGS Camp Out! Bring items for water fun! Non-campers are welcome to join us during the day. (There is a \$7 fee per car for day visitors. Gates are open from 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.). RSVP via the QR code or website by **April 28!**

A "TASTE OF CGS" LUNCH | MAY 4

Are you new to our church and looking to connect with others, or to learn more about our church? Join us at the Whipple's house (4210 Peachway Dr.) after worship on **Sunday, May 4** from **12:15-1:15 p.m.** RSVP via our website or the QR code below

NEW "LEGACY" MINISTRY LUNCHEON | MAY 4

Join us for lunch and a discussion about our new ministry for folks 55 and older here at CGS. We'll meet on **Sunday, May 4** at **12:15 p.m.** in Room S212. RSVP for this meal via our website or the QR code below.

THE GRAY HAVENS CONCERT | MAY 7

We are thrilled to have The Gray Havens back for a special concert on **May 7**, at **7:30 p.m.** Grab your tickets online before they sell out! Contact Matt (mattmcclure@cgsonline.org) to volunteer behind the scenes.

BUDGET SUMMARY For Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Total Annual Budget:	\$1,950,000
Budget for the First 8 Months, ending 2/28/2025:	\$1,300,000
Actual Contributions received as of 2/28/2025:	\$1,272,307
Difference between CGS budget and actual Contributions received:	(\$27,693)
Actual Contributions received minus Expenses paid or (shortfall):	\$78,575



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