



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

MAY 18, 2025



May 18, 2025 | 10:45 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP | Chris Garrett, Pastor of Congregational Care

SONG | *"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"*

SONG | *"Build My Life"*

SCRIPTURE READING | *Psalm 43:3-5, pg. 470*

BAPTISM | Lincoln Judah Mahafza, Covenant child of Jacob and Kate Mahafza

SONG OF BLESSING | *"Jesus Loves You"*

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so. Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SEND-OFF

High school seniors are invited up front as we celebrate you and honor this milestone in your lives!

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 | *2 Samuel 18:31-19:8, pg. 270*

SERMON | Simon Stokes, Lead Pastor

SONG | *"Sovereign Over Us"*

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

Father of mercies, we confess that we have sinned against you. Instead of loving our neighbor, we have looked down on them. Instead of serving you, we have demanded things from you. Forgive us. By your Holy Spirit, come and work repentance into our hearts. Help us to see you as you are: with outstretched arms, a loving heart, and power to save.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | *Ephesians 2:8*

"For by grace you have been saved through faith.

And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God"

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG | *"Kyrie Eleison (A Song of Confession)"*

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

SONG | *"The Lord Is My Shepherd"* | CGS Adult Choir

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

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

CGS ADULT CHOIR CONCERT | TONIGHT

Join us tonight in the Sanctuary at **6:00 p.m.** as the CGS Adult Choir presents their "Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs" concert. Come enjoy beautiful musical arrangements of familiar hymns.

SOUPER SUNDAY LUNCH | ONGOING

Please join us any Sunday after worship for Souper Sunday lunch (except when explicitly canceled) in the Commons (by the big kitchen). Feel free to bring food, but there's always plenty if you just want to come.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS | ONGOING

Summer small groups are about to kick off, so look out for communication from your group leaders! Questions? Contact Spencer (spencerjohnson@cgsonline.org).

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

MEMBERSHIP CLASS | MAY 31

Come learn more about CGS and explore membership in a relaxed atmosphere. Attending our Membership Class does not obligate you to become a member of the church, but it is the first step in the membership process. RSVP below for our class on **Saturday, May 31**, from **9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** in Room S206.

YOUNG ADULT ICE CREAM OUTING | MAY 31

Kick off the summery season and enjoy some ice cream with the Young Adult Community on **Saturday, May 31**, from **6:30-8:00 p.m.** at Eno River Farm. Questions? Contact Elizabeth (esnydermounts@gmail.com).

OFFICER NOMINATIONS | JUNE 1-14

Officer Nominations for the new class of elders and deacons will be open from **June 1-14**. Stay tuned for announcements about trainings, the nomination process, and other key dates.

VBS OPPORTUNITIES | JUNE 16-20

- Spots are still available in some grades, so sign up on the website and invite your friends!
- We rely on the wonderful help of our volunteers each year & have many ways to get involved. Check out sign-ups on our website or via the QR code below for set up or clean up volunteers, early bird child care, and the prayer team.
- Donate snack items by taking a sticky note (or a few!) from the poster board in the Narthex or near the Kids' Ministry Check-In desk. Your donations will help each day draw elements of the Bible into snack time.

BUDGET SUMMARY For Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Total Annual Budget:	\$1,950,000
Budget for the First 10 Months, ending 4/30/2025:	\$1,625,000
Actual Contributions received as of 4/30/2025:	\$1,532,282
Difference between CGS budget and actual Contributions received:	(\$92,718)
Actual Contributions received minus Expenses paid or (shortfall):	\$16,198

*Scan the QR code to register for an event
or to read more announcements:*





CGS LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Norman Acker
Doug Betts
Andrew Carlson
Stephen Eckel
Michael Ervin
Michael Hieronymus
Steve Jones
Glenn Jordan
Dave Kiefer
Dave Long
Kyle Osborne
Alex Robeson
Todd Rust
Ray Toher

DEACONS

Richard Alford
Stephen Balevic
Daniel Carter
Justin Davis
Dean Freck
Andrew Hassinger
Aaron Mitchell
Brian Prentice
Phillip Yelverton

SESSION ADVISORS

Michelle Bryan
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