



CHURCH OF THE  
**Good Shepherd**

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**OCTOBER 5, 2025**

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**Welcome to the Church of the Good Shepherd!**

We are excited you are here. Please visit the welcome table in the narthex following the service to learn more about ways you can join in.

If you have not already, please complete the Connect Card in the pew in front of you so that we can get to know you!

**Mission and Vision 2025**

During this season of renewing the mission and vision of CGS, we'd love to hear from you! Use the card in the bulletin to share your hopes for CGS and return it to the Vision and Voices board in the narthex.

**Mission/Vision Evening of Praise and Prayer | Tonight**

Gather with us tonight from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in room S212 for a time of worship and prayer, asking God to guide our hearts and show us His way forward as we work together to shape the mission and vision for CGS in the coming months.

Remaining Praise and Prayer events are on October 19 and November 2.



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October 5, 2025 | 10:45 AM

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## Welcome & Announcements

**Call to Worship** | Spencer Johnson, Pastor of Youth Ministry

**Song** | *"O Worship the King"*

**Song** | *"Ancient of Days"*

**Scripture Reading** | Elder Steve Jones, Psalm 133, pg. 519

## Congregational Prayer and 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 and Dedication

**Scripture Reading** | 1 Corinthians 12:12-27, pg. 959

**Sermon** | *"The Body"* - Simon Stokes, Lead Pastor

Series: Visions of the Church

**Song** | *"Sing with All Your Heart"*



## Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, we confess we have not loved you as we ought; nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We make much of the sins of our neighbors, while minimizing our own. We use the gifts you give to us to serve ourselves instead of others. For the sake of Christ, forgive us. Renew us. By your grace, produce your righteous fruit in our lives. Amen.

## 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\*

*Communion is for anyone who is united by faith to Christ and joined to any Christ-centered church.*

## Song | "Upon a Life I Did Not Live"

*We invite you to either join in singing or meditate quietly during this time.*

## Prayer of Response

## Song | "O, How Good It Is"

## 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.

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*\*White grape juice is located on the outer ring of the tray; red wine is on the inner rings.*

*The pre-packaged elements in the center of the tray are certified gluten free.*

*The baked bread is prepared using a gluten free mix. Cross-contamination with common allergens is possible.*

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## GROW TOGETHER

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Learn more at [cgsonline.org](https://cgsonline.org) or RSVP with the QR code below.

### Women on Wednesdays Social | October 8

Join us for the next Women on Wednesdays Social on October 8 at Brenda Pun's home (4706 Cumberland Dr., Durham, 27705), 5:30-7:00 p.m. Drop in and bring any food or drink you would like to share. Contact [julieburson@cgsonline.org](mailto:julieburson@cgsonline.org) with questions!

### Legacy Brunch | October 9

Join other retired and later-career adults at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 9 here at CGS for our Legacy Brunch Club to discuss the importance of developing and sustaining community as part of our "Different Experiences of Aging" series. Contact Bob at [bobburns@cgsonline.org](mailto:bobburns@cgsonline.org) with questions or to RSVP.

### NEW Sunday Morning Classes | October 12

The next session of Fall SMCs begins next Sunday. Classes include a study on the *Book of Job*, another on *Theology and the Arts*, a new module of *Theological Foundations for Leaders*, and Part 2 of the *Man in the Mirror* study. The CGS Prayer Hour is an opportunity for men and women of all ages and life stages to pray together for our church and our community. See the SMC Fall flyer for more details.

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## SERVE TOGETHER

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### Great Out West Fall Fest | October 11

Our Annual Great Out West Fall Fest is October 11 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. Put on your boots and cowboy hats, bring a friend, and join us for chili, hayrides, prizes, games, and more! Volunteers are always appreciated! **RSVP and sign up to bring something or volunteer.**

### Update Your CGS Online Giving Profile | Through October

We're transitioning to **Breeze**, our new church management platform, to give you easier access to our church directory and online giving portal. Visit the Member Portal link on [cgsonline.org](https://cgsonline.org) to learn how to update your profile.

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## CGS FINANCES

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For Fiscal Year Beginning 7/1/2025

Total Annual Budget:	\$305,084
Actual Contributions received as of 7/31/2025:	\$249,325
Difference (Annual Budget and Actual Contributions):	\$55,759

Scan the QR code to  
register for an event:





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## CGS LEADERSHIP

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### ELDERS

Norman Acker  
Doug Betts  
Andrew Carlson  
Stephen Eckel  
Steve Jones  
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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