



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

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!

CGS Neighborhood Gathering | Today!

Join your CGS Neighborhood on Sunday, February 22, to connect with neighbors and meet your leaders. You should have received an email with your location and time—if not, or if you're new and don't know your group, contact Mark (markwhipple@cgsonline.org).

Lost and Found

Lost and found items are displayed on tables outside the narthex. Please retrieve any belongings no later than February 22. Items remaining on March 1 will be made available to others and then donated.



February 22, 2026 | 10:45 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Local Partner Update | *Triangle Fellows, John Worsham*

Call to Worship | Spencer Johnson, Pastor of Youth Ministry

Song | *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Song | *Fairest Lord Jesus (My Soul's Glory)*

Scripture Reading | Ruling Elder Andrew Carlson, Hebrews 11:23-28, pg. 1008

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 | Exodus 1:8-22, pg. 45

Sermon | *God's Promise within the World's Turmoil*

Kris Cooper, RUF Pastor at North Carolina Central University, Durham

Song | *In Christ Alone*



Confession of Sin

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the hope of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon | Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

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 | *All Ye Weary and Distressed*

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

Prayer of Response

Song | *On Jordan's Stormy Banks*

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.

**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.

GROW TOGETHER

Learn more at cgsonline.org or RSVP with the QR code below.

Triangle Fellows | Applications Open!

Triangle Fellows is a nine-month immersive fellowship designed to help participants see how the Gospel applies to all of life. We are now recruiting our tenth class of Fellows, and applications are open. An information session will be held on April 9 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at ReCity.

Women's Bible Study Visitor Day | February 25

The Wednesday Women's Bible Study will host a Visitor's Day on Wednesday, February 25, with a morning session from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and an evening session from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. If you are interested in attending or inviting a friend, please email Julie (julieburson@cgsonline.org).

Legacy Dinner | February 27

Celebrate community with us at a Legacy Dinner on February 27. Your host will provide the entrée, and you'll bring a side or dessert to share. Host home details will be sent a few days prior to the dinner.

GO Team Missions Lunch | March 1

The CGS GO Team invites you to lunch on Sunday, March 1, at noon to hear from CGS ministry partner Phil Remmers, director of the Robert Morrison Project.

Young Adult Lunch | March 1

Young adults are invited to lunch on March 1 following worship. The group will gather in the back left of the sanctuary, facing the pulpit, and then head to Chubby's Tacos, located at 4711 Hope Valley Road in Durham. Please contact Anna (a.michmerhuizen@gmail.com) with any questions.

JourneyMates Lenten Retreat | March 6

The JourneyMates Lenten Retreat will take place on the CGS campus on Friday, March 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This retreat includes a guided program with Lectio Divina and also offers some individual reflection time to slow down with God. Visit www.journeymates.org for more info!

SAVE THE DATE: Missions Conference | April 11-12

Join us on Saturday, April 11, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. for a family-friendly event focused on being "Everyday Disciples" in our neighborhood, at the park, in our city, and wherever God leads us. We'll wrap up the conference in a joint SMC on Sunday morning.

CGS FINANCES

For Fiscal Year Beginning 7/01/2025

Fiscal Year-to-Date giving as of 2/15/2026:	\$1,430,138
Fiscal Year-to-Date budget as of 2/15/2026:	\$1,161,666
Fiscal Year-to-Date surplus as of 2/15/2026:	\$268,472



Please recycle. Thank you!

Scan the QR code to register for an event:





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