



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

APRIL 19, 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. Please complete the Connect Card in the pew in front of you so that we can get to know you!

Congregational Meeting | April 19

CGS Leadership is calling for a congregational meeting **today, Sunday, April 19**, immediately following the worship service, to allow members to review and vote upon the resignation of Associate Pastor Chris Garrett. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

VBS 2026 General Public Registration | April 22

Public registration opens April 22. Registration for CGS families opened April 1, and adult volunteer registration remains open. Visit the CGS website for more details.

Our Triune God: A Festival of Hymns | May 3

Join us for an evening of worship on Sunday, May 3 from 5:00–6:15 p.m. The CGS Choir and congregation will sing together, lifting our voices in rich hymns that celebrate our Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Come be part of this meaningful time of worship!



April 19, 2026 | 10:45 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Local Partner Update | Durham Rescue Mission, Matthew Paul

Call to Worship | Mark Whipple, Pastor of Community Formation

Song | *All Creatures of Our God and King*

Song | *Abide*

Scripture Reading | Ruling Elder Steve Jones, Ezekiel 34:11-16, pg. 722

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 | Mark 6:30-46, pg. 841

Sermon | *The Being and Doing of Discipleship*

Simon Stokes, Lead Pastor

Series: Learning the Way of Jesus

Song | *Come Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted (Look to Jesus)*



Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we have not loved you with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and 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 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 | 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 | *Until He Comes Again*

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

Prayer of Response

Song | *All Must Be Well*

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.

CGS Annual Family Campout | April 24-25

All are welcome to join us at Jordan Lake State Recreational Park on April 24-25, for our annual CGS campout and water activities. Not a camper? Join us for s'mores in the evening, then head on home! RSVP below by April 19. Questions? Email RiLee Robeson (rileerobeson@cgsonline.org).

CGS Community Choirs Concert | April 25

Join us for our Spring Concert on Saturday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary featuring five choirs of over 120 students performing a mix of folk songs, hymns, and classics, followed by refreshments in the Concourse.

Taste of CGS | April 26

Are you new to our church and looking to connect with others, or to learn more about our church? Join us for lunch at the Whipple's house (4210 Peachway Dr. Durham) Sunday, April 26, after worship! Visit the CGS website to RSVP!

Farewell Reception | May 3

Please join us on Sunday, May 3, following worship, for a reception honoring Chris and Jenny Garrett. We are so grateful for their many years of service, love, and faithfulness, and we pray for God's grace and guidance as they step out in this next season of their lives.

Durham Rescue Mission Service Day | May 9

Registration is open! Join us Saturday, May 9, as we prepare and serve a meal with residents at the Durham Rescue Mission. Sign up on the CGS website. Contact Mark Hlad (markhlad@gmail.com) with any questions.

Ladies Tea Party | May 16

All ladies aged five and up are invited to a delightful tea party on May 16, from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Please visit the CGS website to register! Questions may be emailed to Julie Burson (julieburson@cgsonline.org).

CGS FINANCES

For Fiscal Year Beginning 7/01/2025

Weekly Budget:	\$35,202
Given on 4/12/26:	\$29,921
Year-to-date budget:	\$1,443,282
Year-to-date giving:	\$1,657,633



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register for an event:

