



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

AUGUST 9, 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 how you can join in.

If you have not already, please complete the Connect Card in the pew in front of you and drop it in the basket at the welcome table.

CGS Mission

Led by God's Word and Spirit, the Church of the Good Shepherd seeks to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel, shaping faithful followers of Jesus in grace-filled intergenerational community, and loving our neighbors in Durham, Chapel Hill, and the world.



August 9, 2026 | 10:45 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Women's Ministry Update | Julie Burson

Call to Worship | Bob Burns, Pastor of Spiritual Formation

Song | *Oh, How Good It Is*

Song | *The God We Love (Nicene Creed)*

Scripture Reading | Robin Kiefer, Leviticus 16:2-3, 11-16, pg. 95

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer | Ruling Elder Steve Jones

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.

Nicene Creed

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading | Hebrews 9:11-28, pg. 1006

Sermon | Through the Blood

Spencer Johnson, Pastor of Youth Ministry

Series: Running the Race of Faith



Song | *Nothing but the Blood*

Confession of Sin

Father in heaven, forgive us. Instead of trusting in the death of Jesus Christ, we have trusted in our own merit. We have tried so hard to pile up good deeds that outweigh our sins. Instead of asking for your Spirit to make us like Christ, we have tried to remake ourselves through our own efforts. Forgive us for neglecting your grace. Forgive us and heal us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon | 1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

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 | *What Wondrous Love (Instrumental)*

We invite you to meditate quietly during this time.

Prayer of Response

Song | *In Christ Alone*

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.

Thank you, Youth Summer Interns!

Thank you to Judson Edgar and Amelia Walls! As their internship comes to a close, we want to thank them for the time, care, and energy they poured into our youth this summer. They made a meaningful impact in the lives of our students, and we are so grateful for all they have done!

CGS Kids News:

Volunteer Training, August 16 at 9:30 a.m.: Children's volunteers will meet in The Gathering Place (N307), and Nursery volunteers will meet in the auditorium. *This is not CGS CARE training.*

Promotion Sunday, August 23: Some children will be moving to new classrooms. You will be notified beforehand if your child will be moved to a new classroom.

Parent Night, August 30 at 7 p.m.: Join Spencer, Caroline, and Angie for vision and information meetings for parents of preschoolers through high school seniors. Childcare not provided.

CGS Women's News:

Women's Bible Study Registration, Now Open: Register now to study Revelation in the fall and Philippians in the spring. Choose Tuesday evenings (7:00–8:30 p.m., beginning September 15) or Wednesday mornings (10:00–11:30 a.m., beginning September 16).

Women on Wednesdays, August 12: Join us from 5:30–7:30 p.m. at the home of Sydney Henson (3515 Bluestone Ct., Chapel Hill). Bring a snack or drink to share, if you'd like, to this open house-style event!

Save the Date: Women's Retreat, November 6-8.

Contact Julie (julieburson@cgsonline.org) with questions.

Young Adults: Pizza and Game Night | August 13

Join us for pizza and game night at the Jones' home (2734 Saddle Drive, Durham 27712) on August 13 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. Bring your favorite game(s) to play, and feel free to invite a friend! Please RSVP.

Session Advisor Nominations | Opens August 16-30

Please be prayerfully considering women to nominate for the role of Session Advisor. Session Advisors serve alongside the elders by offering wisdom and counsel from a woman's perspective.

It's a Boy!

Congratulations to Candace and Chris Kastner on the arrival of their son, Hudson, on July 1st. Please continue to pray for them as they enjoy this sweet time together as a family of 5.

CGS FINANCES

For the New Fiscal Year Beginning 7/01/2026

Weekly Budget:	\$42,428
Given on 8/2/26:	\$25,172

Year-to-Date Budget:	\$212,139
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$120,338



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