Soup and Seminaries: Dinner at 6:00 pm; Seminar from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Wednesdays, March 10th, 17th, 24th, & April 7th. Come join us on Wednesdays during Lent for an exciting discussion about our relationship with God as Creator and where we fit within the rest of God’s Creation. We’ll look at the Biblical stories of Creation from a variety of viewpoints and talk about how our interpretations of these stories and our various faith traditions have brought us to where we are now, both to the edge of great discoveries about nature, and to a deep societal divide that reaches into our very beliefs about reality. We’ll be joined by Professor Jeff Cooley and Rabbi Jon Spira-Savet.

Easter Music: The Senior Choir (which sings at 9:45 on Easter) is welcoming additional musicians to join in the festive Easter celebration on April 12. Rehearsals are: Thursdays, March 26th, April 2nd, Tuesday April 7th, at 7:15pm-8:45pm; Saturday, April 11th, TBD. There are singing opportunities at the 600pm service as well. Please contact Brett at music@cgsnashua.org for more information.

CGS Comedy Spectacular: Friday March 27th from 7:930pm. at The Courtyard by Marriott, Nashua, NH. Our annual laugh-until-you-cry event again comes compliments of our own parishioner and hilarious professional comedian, Robbie Priez and several of his “funniest friends.” These comedians from Boston will help lighten up our moods in the middle of winter and Lenten blues! His generosity will help this be a CGS Fund Raiser to help us raise money for our Community Action Support of The Front Door Agency. We are hoping for a crowd of at least 200 people to make this a successful Fund Raiser, so bring your friends with you! Tickets will be $20.00 per person in advance for guaranteed entry and seating. Tickets are on sale now during coffee hour, during the week at the church office, by phone through the church office, or on-line at www.cgsnashua.org.

CGS Women: Monday, March 9th, 6 pm. There will be a potluck supper, please bring an entree or salad - homemade, store bought or take out & the hosspes provide dessert. We will have a Lenten program presented by CGS parishioner Jeff Cooley, Assistant Professor, Theology Department, Boston College. Open to all women of the parish & guests are welcome.

Youth 19th Annual World Vision 30-hour Fast: Friday, March 20th – Sat, March 21st. The youth will be looking for sponsors to raise money for children worldwide who are dying from hunger. If you would like to donate look for the youth wearing bandannas during coffee hour. All Rite 13, J2A and YAC youth are encouraged to participate. The fast begins at 1pm on Friday and ends with a family pot luck dinner at 7pm. on Saturday. Questions, please contact Leo and Eileen Brunk. We will have a Lenten program presented by CGS parishioner Jeff Cooley, Assistant Professor, Theology Department, Boston College. Open to all women of the parish & guests are welcome.

Front Door Agency’s 32nd Annual Gourmet Festival Tickets: Sunday, March 22nd, 4-8 pm. This fantastic event, held at the Nashua Country Club, includes great food and auction items galore. Tickets are $95.00 per person and can be purchased through their office at 886-2866 or on their website, www.frontdooragency.org. Don’t miss this annual spectacular event – eat, drink and shop for a purpose!

Do your shopping through CGS: Don’t Forget! We have added new flexibility to our SCRIPS Program. You can now pay for your store cards (and we have almost every store!) either when you place the order or when you pick up your cards. Stores give back to CGS an average of 5% of your “Script”. Help us raise funds for our ministries from outside sources - shop with CGS Script cards!!!

Monday – Friday Noontime: AA

Sunday, March 8
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 – 10:15 AM Fellowship Hour
9:00 AM Christian Ed. All Ages
9:45 AM Holy Eucharist
11:15 AM Holy Eucharist
4:00 PM Choral Evensong
6:30 PM J2A, YAC

Monday, March 9
6:00 PM CGS Wormen
6:15 PM AA Winding Down

Tuesday, March 10
6:30 PM AA Tuesday Traditions

Wednesday, March 11
6:00 PM Soup and Seminar
6:30 PM EFM
7:00 PM Scottish Dancers
7:00 PM AA
7:50 PM Adult Handbells

Thursday, March 12
7:00 PM AA Why me?

Friday, March 13
6:15 PM AA
8:00 PM Friday Unity
9:45 PM AA 23rd Hour

Saturday, March 14
9:30-11:00 AM AA
8:00 AM-3:00 PM Vestry Retreat

Sunday, March 15
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 – 10:15 AM Fellowship Hour
9:00 AM Christian Ed. All Ages
9:45 AM Holy Eucharist
11:15 AM Holy Eucharist
6:30 PM J2A, YAC

The People of God

Ministers
All Baptized Parishioners

Rector
The Rev. Michael Greene

Deacon
The Rev. Nancy Meyer

Senior Warden
Jill Rosier

Junior Warden
Sandy Desharnais

Vergers
John Townsend, Howard Tinas, John Rowntree

Music Director
Brett Greene

Handbell Director
Hope Greene

Parish Administrator
Laurie Ascani

Communications Secretary
Abbie Law

Sunday School Coordinator
Mary O’Reilly

Youth Ministry
Nancy Madeira

Front Door Agency
Maryse Wirbal

Sexton
Brian Wisniosky

Please recycle your bulletin by placing them on the table at the entry door.

Please Note: Unauthorized recording and the taking of unauthorized photographs at Church of the Good Shepherd are prohibited.

Hymns by request (8:00)
We will sing portions of your favorite hymns from the Hymnal 1982, Wonder, Love, and Praise, and Left Every Voice and Sing It.

Voluntary (9:45 & 11:15)

Processional “Lift high the cross” standing

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity
BCP 323

Kyrie
Healy Willan
kneeling

Hymnal S 91

The Collect of the Day
BCP 166

The First Lesson Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

BCP 779

Church of the Good Shepherd (Episcopal)
ings cease: Take from our souls the strain and stress, And let our ordered lives
(By Emily Dickinson)

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born again?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you this, but you do not know where it is that I am going. Now the Spirit you did not know, but now he Testimony of my Father; and the Father is in me, and I am in him, and the saying that I have is sure because I declare not what I alone know, but what I hear, having received it from the Father. But those who received it gladly received it with a cheerful spirit, and they neither asked for the Spirit to be taken away from them. But you refuse to receive glory from men, but seek the glory of the One who sent me and he will glorify me at his coming. For I know him, for I am in him, and he in me. I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or rather, the words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who is in me is doing his work through me. Even as you are in me and I am in you, that they also may be in us so that the world may believe that you sent me. And the glory you gave me I have given them, that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. The scriptures have come true, because as you said, 'All who believed in him shall have eternal life.' Therefore the Father loved the world in this way: He gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For 'God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.'

The Nicene Creed


People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come to teach us all things, for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born again?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you this, but you do not know where it is that I am going. Now the Spirit you did not know, but now he Testimony of my Father; and the Father is in me, and I am in him, and the saying that I have is sure because I declare not what I alone know, but what I hear, having received it from the Father. But those who received it gladly received it with a cheerful spirit, and they neither asked for the Spirit to be taken away from them, nor the ascendancy of the flesh, and he who is descended from heaven is the Son of Man.

The Sermon

Pastor Mike

The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

The Peace

BCP 331

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Hymn

"Therefore, as God in his great mercy gave his only Son-- whose life was freely given for us, that we might have life through him. He has given his Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts. As the Spirit of God dwells in us, so too may we be given the life of Christ, who lives in us. In the name of Christ we receive the gift of the Body and Blood of our Lord. The Bread of Life, the Life of the world, the Way, the Truth, the Life, the One who takes away the sins of the world. As we partake of this bread, may our lives be changed by the grace of the risen Christ, as we become the body of Christ. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Sanctus

Hymnal S114

Eucharistic Prayer

BCP 341

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S 158

The Communion of the People

If you accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, you are in need of a Gluten free communion wafer. We have a Gluten free wafer and a regular wafer that can be requested at the rail. A Gluten free wafer is also available in the cafe.

Communion Motet

"Lamb of God"

F. Melius Christiansen

Sunday Fellowship Hour: Please join us on Sunday March 29th at 9 am in the lounge to learn more about how Fellowship works. All are welcome to attend. As we embark on a new journey with Pastor Mike, it is important that we find ways to volunteer and support each other in fellowship!

Stewardship Committee Update: Thanks to all who have responded to or campaigned to increase our budget by $35,000 to $100,000 this year, as directed by the congregation at our annual meeting. Our new rector, Mike Greene, is following a longstanding CTS tradition by making sure we keep a balanced budget, so an increase in pledges is needed to return to the two-dollar model and move forward in our ministry in Downtown Rochester. The Stewardship Committee is asking for those who haven't turned in a pledge card to do so. If those who have pledged can increase existing pledges by just 6%, we will make it work. Tell CTS about your commitment to increase your pledge by filling out a pledge card in your pew or emailing Laurie at adminnursery@gnshamass.org. And to all those who already increased their pledges, we express wholehearted gratitude.

Concert Series Choral Evenings: Today-Sunday, March 8th, 4pm. Come experience the Anglican tradition of evening prayer in Elizabethan English including choir canticles, psalms, and anthems.

The Parish Notices

9 AM Sunday Forum: Book of Common Prayer, Calendar

Next Week: Book of Common Prayer, Daily Office

Hymns by request: Today prior to the 8:00 service. Please be thinking of your favorite hymns in The Hymnal 1982, WLP, and LEV and be ready to suggest hymn numbers for singing.

The End of Worship - The Beginning of Service

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP

Acolytes

11:15 Addie Whitehead

Lay Ministers

8:00 Karla Tolomeo, Don Yelton, Susan Nutting

9:45 Lisa Macareag, Bob Macareag, April Dunbar

11:15 John Rowntree, Stephen Isaac

Ushers

8:00 Sharmaine Petris, Isabella Stenner

9:45 Marybeth Snow, Jim Monahan, Madle Flickinger

11:15 Joanne Emus, Chris Chadbourne, Woody Hayes

Altar Guild

Betty Mazzaro, Mary Lu Kuhn, Mark Dennehuy, Ann Breeden, Berry Williams

Verger

Howard Titus

The Peace

BCP 339

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 339

The Blessing

"The glory of these forty days" standing

Dismissal

standing

The Peace

The Peace

Hymnal 439

Hymnal 143

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