

Church of the Good Shepherd

Community Care



The Church of the Good Shepherd

(Episcopal)

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Accessibility Ramps

There is a ramp on the north side of the Church for access to the sanctuary and auditorium. On the south side, near St. Patrick's parking lot, there is a ramp which takes you to the Church office area.

Transportation

Rides are available for attending church, errands and doctor's appointments, and can be coordinated through the Welcoming & Crisis Committee.

Homebound Members

Our homebound members are not forgotten as our *Companion Ministry* matches them with a companion as a way to stay in touch. Companions visit and bring CGS news and cheer to them on a monthly basis. Our *weekly bulletin is mailed* to them to keep them informed of our weekly services and activities. *Altar flowers are delivered* to them and hospital patients weekly. If you are homebound and would like a companion, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator. A *Eucharistic Minister* is available to deliver the sacraments to homebound members upon request.

Sight & Hearing Impairment

Large print Common Prayer books and Hymnals are located at the rear of the Church. Remote hearing aids are available upon request.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry knits and crochets prayer shawls for those facing serious illness, accident or loss of a loved one as well as donates many prayer shawls to Southern New Hampshire Medical Center (SNHMC) Oncology. Baby blankets are also crocheted or knitted for CGS members as well as SNHMC Premies.

Meals

During times of crisis/transition/serious illness, meals can be delivered to your home. At Thanksgiving, CGS opens its doors for the The Front Door clients and CGS members to enjoy a warm feast in good company.

Front Door Agency

This is the **official outreach arm of CGS** and it's goal is to provide a path to self-sufficiency for people in need. Founded by CGS and Pastor Odie it is located at 7 Concord St. and it's services include:

- [Transitional Housing](#) for single mothers and children
- [Permanent Housing](#) for families who are 60% of Area Median Income
- [Prevention & Intervention of Homelessness](#)
- Providing [Security Deposit Assistance](#) to help families to obtain a permanent, secure residence
- Providing rental and utility subsidies to those at risk of homelessness

- Crisis Advocacy & Resource Education helping families with barriers to success by providing dental, medical, food and transportation assistance.
- Financial Literacy to help families understand basic household finances and to learn how to make an investment in themselves and their future.
- Santa Fund/Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program

AA Meetings

There are AA meetings at the church both at noon time and in the evening every day of the week except for Sundays.

Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter

Located at 2 Quincy Street, Nashua- The Soup Kitchen serves breakfast and dinner daily Monday through Friday and dinner only on Saturday and Sunday.

Nashua Food Banks:

Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter
2 Quincy Street
Corpus Christi Food Pantry
43 Franklin Street

For Emergency Shelter Call 211

This Community Care pamphlet is created for those in our community in need of various services. For further information regarding any of the CGS ministries, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator at 603-883-5352.

Matthew 25:35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me; I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to me. Then the righteous will answer him, saying, Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? Or when did we see you sick or in prison and come to you? And the King shall answer and say to you, in as much as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me.

For Today

By Phillips Brooks

O God;

Give me strength to live another day;

Let me not turn coward before its difficulties or prove recreant to its duties;

Let me not lose faith in other people;

Keep me sweet and sound of heart, in spite of ingratitude, treachery or meanness;

Preserve me from minding little stings or giving them;

Help me to keep my heart clean, and to live so honestly and fearlessly that no outward failure can dishearten me or take away the joy of conscious integrity;

Open wide the eyes of my soul that I may see good in all things;

Grant me this day some new vision of thy truth;

Inspire me with the spirit of joy and gladness; and make me the cup of strength to suffering souls; in the name of the strong Deliverer, our only Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Please Note:

Church of the Good Shepherd follows Safe Church Policy and Procedures set forth by the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire.