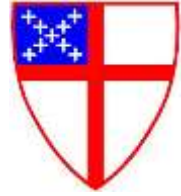


Good Shepherd
Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia

Blessed ARE
THOSE
WHO HAVE NOT SEEN
AND YET *believe.*



JOHN 20:29

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Second Sunday After Easter
April 11, 2021

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church. We are so glad you are here!

Guidelines for indoor worship in this time of COVID-19:

- The Sanctuary and restrooms were all disinfected prior to the worship service.
- Masks must be worn at all times, except by individual readers, soloists, and speakers who are well distanced from others.
- Everyone must keep physical distance of six feet or more in every direction at all times. Family groups, however, may remain together. Ushers will assist in seating and directing communion traffic flow.
- Please check in at the welcome table in the Narthex. Bulletins, masks, and hand sanitizer are also available there.
- We will keep a record of all attendees at each service to facilitate contact tracing, should it ever be necessary.
- Attendance is limited based on social distancing guidelines. Ten pews are closed. Six are available for seating.
- Worship leaders all had their temperature checked before the service and displayed normal temperatures.
- No congregational singing is permitted. Only soloists, who are social distancing at an extended distance, may sing.
- The Peace will be shared with a bow, wave, or peace sign and will not include handshakes, hugs, or any physical touch.
- Communion will be celebrated with wafers only (no wine) in individual cups near the altar. Those who would like to receive a wafer or a personal blessing should proceed in single file to the altar while maintaining social distancing of 6 feet. Please wait in your seat with your wafer until the priest has finished all the blessings before consuming the wafer.
- Restroom traffic flow: from the sanctuary, go through the Parish Hall and down the stairs to the basement. To return to the sanctuary, go outside and around the building, and re-enter through the front doors.

Daily Morning Prayer: Rite II

Officiant: Tim Hall

Readers: Kendra / Richard

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

Officiant Let us pray.

The Officiant and People begin with the Opening Prayer

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Opening sentences for Easter Season, including Ascension Day and the Day of Pentecost

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm 118:24*

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. *1 Corinthians 15:57*

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. *Hebrews 9:24*

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. *Acts 1:8*

Opening Hymn 208 “Alleluia! The strife is o’er”

Victory

Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 The strife is o’er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death’s dread



1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
4 heaven’s high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and



1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Invitatory and Psalter

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Officiant
People

Lord, open our lips
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia!

One of the following Antiphons may be sung or said with the Invitatory Psalm

From Easter Day until the Ascension

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

From Ascension Day until the Day of Pentecost

Alleluia. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

Jubilate

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Psalm 100

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

The Lessons

The lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from [_____]

After each Lesson, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord

To which the People respond

Thanks be to God.

The First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Psalm 133

Ecce, quam bonum!

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk

in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Gradual Hymn 490 "I want to walk as a child of the light" *Houston*

I want to walk as a child of the light,
 I want to see the bright-ness of God,
 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ,

I want to fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 I want to look at Je - sus. Clear sun of right - eous - ness,
 I want to be with Je - sus. When we have run with

light to the world, the star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all, the night and the
 day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the
 ci - ty of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The Gospel: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Homily

Tim Hall

The Apostles' Creed

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Officiant and People together, all standing

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

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Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

The People may be seated

Officiant and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Suffrages A

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- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. *And grant us your salvation.*
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

The Officiant prays the Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Other Collects

For Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

For Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

For Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

For the Future of the Human Race

O God our heavenly Father, you have blessed us and given us dominion over all the earth: Increase our reverence before the mystery of life; and give us new insight into your purposes for the human race, and new wisdom and determination in making provision for its future in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

For the Nation

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the leaders and the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

After the Prayer for Mission, our own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving may follow.

The General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your
praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

The Officiant prays **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Peace

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings and Announcements

Closing Hymn 178 “Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks” *Alleluia No. 1*

Easter Alleluia Number 1

178

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of several systems of music with lyrics. The first system includes a 'Descant' section. The second system is the 'Refrain'. The third system includes a '1-4' section and a 'Final Ending'. The fourth system contains four stanzas of text. The fifth system is a 'Repeat Refrain'.

Descant

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

Closing Prayer

Grant, we beseech you, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Grace (*Ephesians 3:20, 21*)

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen**

The Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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CALENDAR

SUN Apr 11 – The Second Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, with Tim Hall

THU Apr 15 – Vestry Meeting, via Zoom at 6:30 p.m.

SAT Apr 17 – AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Apr 18 – The Third Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, with Josette Keelor

SAT Apr 24 – AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Apr 25 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with The Rev. Debbie Rutter

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NOTICES

GIVING

The work of the church goes on and our bills need to be paid even while we're gathering online. **Pledge checks or donations** may be sent to Good Shepherd Church, P.O. Box 324, Bluemont, VA. 20135.

You may also *give online*, thanks to our Diocese. Use this link: <http://bit.ly/DOVChurch> and be sure to put the name and town of our church, “Good Shepherd, Bluemont,” in the memo line. We will receive a giving statement and check from the Diocese each month.

If you haven’t done so yet, please *make your stewardship pledge* to Good Shepherd for 2021. You can do this by a note to the above mailing address or by an email to info@goodshepherdbluemont.com. Please give as generously as you can so that our service in this community, by God’s grace, may continue and thrive. Thank you so much!

For this Easter season, please consider making a gift to Good Shepherd Church designated for The Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Good Shepherd will match these donations dollar for dollar from our 2021 outreach budget.

OUTREACH



Please bring much needed donations for **FISH of Clarke County** to the church and drop them in the Narthex. Lois takes them to FISH, by appointment. Please let her know when you drop things off. In

February, we donated 82 pounds of food. Thanks so much for your gifts, as we continue to help the *needy in our midst* in Clarke County.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Our **Parish Directory** is available in both print and electronic formats. Contact Tim (timhall00@aol.com, 540-454-0564) for a copy. In these challenging times, let’s be deliberate about keeping in touch and reaching out to each other for support and blessing.

OUR FACILITY

We now have Internet service!

Thanks be to God that we’ve been awarded a \$3,500 grant from the Scott Foundation to be used for replacement of our Parish Hall ceiling. We also plan on replacing the carpet at the same time. If you would like to help with this project, that would be really wonderful. Please contact Tim.

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PRAYERS

*Please continue to pray for our neighbors
and for ways that our church can serve the community.*

Friends and Family: Bobbie Wilhelm and the Wilhelm family, The Kerns family, George Rutter, Terri (Josette's mother), Charlene Fu and her father, Karen Tapscott, Martha's friend Doug, Roger & Sheila Tapscott, Donny McCarty (Lois' brother), Martha Hayes, Jeanette Carter, David Carter, Ralph & Maeva and Maeva's daughter Hillary, David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Tim Ingram, Michael Mohn, Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Lee Purnell (Richard's mother), Paul Sauer (Cindy's uncle), and Judith Refo (Judy's mother).

In thanksgiving for the life of Louise Hull, Josette's Aunt Liz, who departed this world on April 8.

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

To add someone to the prayer list, please send an email to prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray today for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray today for The Winchester Region churches: Calvary, Front Royal; Christ, Winchester; Church of the Good Shepherd, Bluemont; Cunningham Chapel Parish, Millwood; Clarke Parish – Grace and St. Mary's, Berryville; Meade Memorial, White Post; St. Paul's Church on the Hill, Winchester.

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