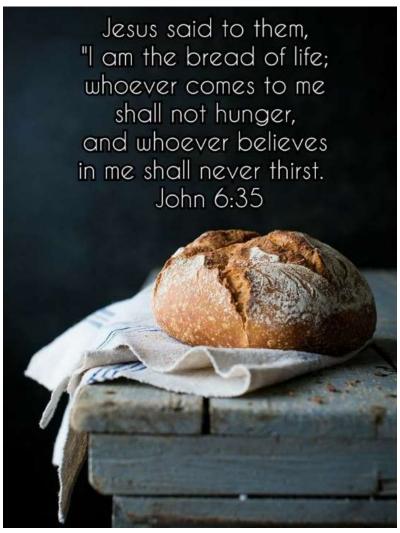
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The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia

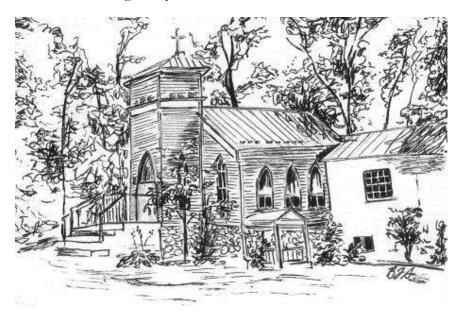


11th Sunday after Pentecost August 8, 2021

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church We are so glad you are here or joining us online!

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

- Masks are not required for fully vaccinated attendees.
- If you are not fully vaccinated, we encourage you to wear a mask for your safety and the safety of others.
- Several pews are reserved to allow for physical distancing, should you still desire it.
- Bulletins, masks, an offering plate, and hand sanitizer are available at the welcome table in the Narthex. Hand sanitizer is located at other locations throughout the Sanctuary, Parish Hall, and basement.
- Congregational singing is permitted. Masks are encouraged. Hymnals are found in the pews. Anyone who is fully vaccinated and social distancing may sing without a mask.
- Communion will be distributed in one kind, at the altar. To take part, you may come forward, or raise your hand if you desire to have communion brought to you.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Celebrant: The Rev. Debbie Rutter

Lay Reader: Lois Tapscott Zoomer: : Cindy Ingram Prayer Intercessor: Tim Hall

Welcome

Opening Hymn 577 "Here in Christ we gather" Ubi caritas (Murray)

The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

The Celebrant prays

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.*

The Gloria S-280

Glory to God in the highest, And peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

[The people may be seated]

The Lessons

The Old Testament Lesson: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man."

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

Said responsively by half verse*

De profundis

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; * let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, * **O Lord, who could stand?**
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, * more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, * for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, * and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

The Epistle: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all

bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual LEVAS 151 "One bread, one body"

John B. Foley

Then, [all standing,] the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

[The People may be seated]

The Nicene Creed

The People stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Church of South India (United). In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for Ushers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers. For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop; for Michael, Presiding Bishop; for Susan, Jennifer and Porter, our Bishops, for Debbie, our Supply Clergy. and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People may be seated for announcements.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory LEVAS 154 "Taste and see"

James E. Moore, Jr.

As the gifts are brought forward, the following is sung.

Hymn 380 v.3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord..

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People may be seated
Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and

Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, *Celebrant and People*

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [______ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

[Alleluia] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast [Alleluia].

The host in one kind is now distributed.

After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces this blessing

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 335 "I am the bread of life"

I am the bread of life

The Dismissal



CALENDAR

SUN Aug 8 11th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Lay Reader: Lois Tapscott Zoomer: Cindy Ingram

SAT Aug 14 AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Aug 15 12th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Lay Reader: Kendra Sardelis Zoomer: Kelly Macoy

THU Aug 19 Vestry Meeting, cancelled this month

SAT Aug 21 AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Aug 22 13th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy Zoomer: Judy Hall

SAT Aug 28 AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Aug 29 14th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Healing Service and Holy Eucharist,

with The Rev. Debbie Rutter

Lay Reader: Cindy Ingram Zoomer: Judy Hall

SAT Sep 4 AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom, 8:30 p.m.

SUN Sep 5 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Lay Reader: Lois Tapscott Zoomer: Judy Hall

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NOTICES

GIVING

Now that we are back to gathering in person, as well as online, you may drop your gift in the offering plate by the entrance or when it's being passed. Also, *pledge checks or donations* may be mailed to Good Shepherd Church, P.O. Box 324, Bluemont, VA. 20135. *We are thankful for your generosity!*

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. In July, we donated a whopping 135 pounds, more

than double the June donation. Thanks 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.

OUR FACILITY

Now that the work on the Parish Hall roof and ceiling is done, the church gutters cleaned, the broken windows and woodpecker-damaged exterior siding repaired, the patio power-washed, and the entire exterior repainted...what's next? For one thing, we're about ready to make the church available again as a "wedding chapel" or for any other event that folks might like to use it for. For this, we are in need of an "Event. Coordinator." Interested? Speak to the Senior or Junior Warden or anyone on the vestry.

What other needs do you see for our facility? Please let Tim know so he can start planning for our next projects.

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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: Rev. Melanie Lewis' father, Larry Zok, Kirk Duncan (Rev. Deb's son-in-law), Martha Hayes and the residents and staff at Commonwealth Senior Living - Berryville, Donny McCarty (Lois' brother) and the residents and staff at Rose Hill Health and Rehab, Dusty Bailey (Charlene's friend), Sheila Tapscott, Kathy Ingram, Karen Tapscott, David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Tim Ingram, Michael Mohn, Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Paul Sauer (Cindy's uncle), and Judith Refo (Judy's mother).

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

The Church: For Justin, Archbishop; for Michael, Presiding Bishop; for Susan, Jennifer and Porter, our Bishops, and for Debbie, our Supply Clergy. We also pray for Fr. Michael Sie and the congregation of St. Thomas, Monrovia, Liberia where COVID is taking a toll.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray today for Ushers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray today for The Church of South India (United).

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