

# Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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## The 13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

## We are so glad you are here or joining us online!

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

- Case numbers in Clarke County are trending up. When they reach HIGH, masks are required.
- Masks and hand sanitizer are available at the welcome table in the Narthex, and sanitizer is available at other locations in the Sanctuary.
- Congregational singing, with or without masks, is permitted.

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## CALENDAR

- SUN Sep 4**    **The 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**11:00 a.m.**    **Morning Prayer** with Josette Keelor  
Lay Reader & Zoomer: Kendra Sardelis
- SAT Sep 10**    **Meditation Walk**, 10 a.m. at Cool Spring pavilion  
(see Notices for details)  
**Parish & Garden Work Day**, Noon.  
**AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom**, 8:30 p.m.
- SUN Sep 11**    **The 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**11:00 a.m.**    **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Martha Clark  
Lay Reader: Cindy Ingram | Zoomer: Tim Hall  
LEM & Prayers: Josette Keelor
- THU Sep 15**    **Vestry Meeting, via Zoom**, 6:30 p.m.
- SAT Sep 17**    **AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom**, 8:30 p.m.
- SUN Sep 18**    **The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**11:00 a.m.**    **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Deborah Rutter  
Lay Reader & Zoomer: Kelly Macoy  
LEM: Tim Hall | Prayers: Lee Ruddle
- SAT Sept 24**    **AA Meeting, in person or via Zoom**, 8:30 p.m.
- SUN Sep 25**    **The 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**11:00 a.m.**    **Morning Prayer** with Tim Hall  
Lay Reader & Zoomer: Cindy Ingram

# Daily Morning Prayer: Rite II

Officiant: Josette Keelor

Lay Reader & Zoomer: Kendra Sardelis

## Welcome

Prelude: "Heaven's Bright Shore"

*Sung by Josette with Tim*

*Opening sentence (The People stand)*

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me  
to your holy hill and to your dwelling. *Psalm 43:3.*

*The Officiant and People begin with the Opening Prayer*

*Officiant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant and People begin with the Opening Prayer*

**God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever. Amen.**

Opening **LEVAS 141** "Shall we gather at the river?"

*by Robert Lowry*

1 Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

### **Refrain:**

Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

2 On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray,  
We will walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day. [Refrain]

3 Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down;  
Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. [Refrain]

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. [Refrain]

**Confession of Sin** (*Please be seated or kneel*)

*EOW p. 19*

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Officiant and People together*

**God of all mercy,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

*The Officiant says*

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

**The Invitatory and Psalter** (*The People stand*)

*EOW p. 20*

*Officiant*      O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise  
*People*          **And your glory all the day long.**

*Officiant and People*

**Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Alleluia!**

*The Antiphon (Officiant)*

God is the Rock of our salvation: O come let us worship

**Invitatory Hymn 423** “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

St. Denio

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

4 Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

### **The Lessons** (*Please be seated*)

*The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying*

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

### **The Old Testament: Jeremiah 18:1-11**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a

plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17**

*Said responsively by half verse\**

***Domine, probasti***

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
**you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
**and are acquainted with all my ways.**

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
**but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
**and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
**it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
**you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
**your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
**while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
**they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.**

16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
**how great is the sum of them!**

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
**to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

*The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying*

A Reading from the Book of Philemon.

### **The Epistle: Philemon 1-21**

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin,  
I wouldn't let my dear savior in  
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night  
Praise the Lord I saw the light.

**Refrain:**

I saw the light I saw the light  
No more in darkness no more at night  
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Just like a blind man I wandered along  
Worries and fears I claimed for my own  
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light. [Refrain]

I was a fool to wander and stray  
For straight is the gate and narrow the way  
Now I have traded the wrong for the right  
Praise the Lord I saw the light. [Refrain] (*Please be seated*)

*The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying*

A Reading from the Book of Luke.

**The Gospel: Luke 14:25-33**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."



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*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Homily**

*Josette Keelor*

**The Apostles' Creed** (*The People stand*)

*BCP p. 96*

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
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.**

Prayer **Hymn 594** "God of grace and God of glory"

*Cwm Rhondda*

1 God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

## The Prayers

*EOW p. 42*

*Officiant* Hear our cry, O God.  
*People* **And listen to our prayer.**  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

*(Please be seated or kneel)*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen**

*BCP p. 97*

## Suffrages A

*BCP p. 97*

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*

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Other Collects**

*BCP p. 823-828*

***For Social Justice***

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***For the Poor and the Neglected***

Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***For the Conservation of Natural Resources***

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### ***For Peace***

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **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.**

*After the Prayers, our own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving may follow.*

### **The General Thanksgiving**

*BCP p. 101*

*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**

*BCP p. 102*

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.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**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 God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen**

**The Peace** (*The People stand*)

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

**Greetings and Announcements** (*Please be seated*)

**The Offertory**

*The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture.*

*Please leave your offering in the plate found on the Narthex table.*

*The People stand for the Doxology*

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

*Old 100th*

**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.**

Closing **Hymn** “I’ll Fly Away”

*by Albert Edward Brumley  
(TAH v.2 & 3 mods)*

Some bright morning when this life is over – I’ll fly away  
To that home on God’s celestial shore – I’ll fly away

**Refrain:**

I’ll fly away, oh glory - I’ll fly away in the morning  
When I die hallelujah by and by - I’ll fly away

When the shadows of this life have passed – I’ll fly away  
Like a bird that soars in skies so vast – I’ll fly away [Refrain]

Oh how glad and happy when we meet – I’ll fly away  
Bathed in splendor, sharing death’s defeat – I’ll fly away [Refrain]

Just a few more weary days and then – I’ll fly away  
To a land where joys will never end – I’ll fly away [Refrain]

**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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**NOTICES**

**OUR COMMUNITY**



We continue to collect donations for **FISH** to help the needy in our midst in Clarke County. They are especially in need of paper products. In August, we donated 68 pounds of food, including canned goods, cereal, pasta, and lots of eggs, as well as a few paper products and some lotions. Lois will be delivering this month’s donation on **Wednesday, Sept. 28**, so be sure to bring your goods before then. FISH, located at 36 E. Main Street Berryville, is open 8-10 a.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to anyone living in Clarke County who needs food, clothing, or financial or other assistance.

Please join us for our first **Meditation Walk** this Saturday, Sept. 10. We'll meet at **10 a.m.** in the **Cool Spring pavilion on the Shenandoah University River Campus**. The theme for our first outing is **Walking with a Word** and will include an intro to walking meditation, focusing on mindful walking and breathing and incorporating a blessing mantra or sacred word.

### **GIVING**

Now that we are back to gathering in person, you may drop your gift in the offering plate by the entrance. Pledge checks and donations may also be mailed to Good Shepherd Church, P.O. Box 324, Bluemont, VA 20135. Giving envelopes are in the Narthex if you'd like to be credited for a cash donation. We thank you for your support!

### **OUR FACILITY**

We had 14 tons of 21A gravel delivered to the **lower parking lot**, which should make entry and exit from that area much smoother! The same truck also dropped about 5 tons of gravel near our **Prayer and Meditation Garden**, which will be used as the base for the paths and central meeting area in the upper garden.

Our second **parish volunteer work day** is Saturday, Sept 10, starting at noon. Please bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc. as you are able. Some extra tools will be available and we'll be starting to build our garden paths and constructing the central meeting area. ***Lunch will be served.***

After we finish the work on the paths and central meeting area, we'll begin soil preparation in anticipation of a **late September/early October planting**. Also in late September, our stone mason will begin work on an 18" high "sitting wall," which will act as a retaining wall for our lower garden.

Do you have any thoughts on what kind of new flooring we should put in the Parish Hall (carpet, LVT, other)? Would you like to see our Good Shepherd sign looking better? How about helping with installing a new mailbox? Lots of fun projects. Contact Tim Hall if you'd like to take one on!

***Share this news with friends:*** Good Shepherd Church's building and grounds are available for weddings, other special events, and regular meetings. For more information or to volunteer as our facility host, email us at [office@goodshepherdbluemont.org](mailto:office@goodshepherdbluemont.org).

## PRAYERS

***Friends and Family:*** The victims and families of the mass shootings across our nation; the people of Ukraine; congregants Martha Hayes, Tim Ingram, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott & Lee; Val Marsh, George Rutter, the Adamson family in Russia, Judi Floyd, Jorie & Richard Martin, Terri Quinlan (Josette’s mom), the Desamparado family (Cindy’s cousins in the Philippines–typhoon), Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver (Charlene’s friends), David Aikman (Charlene’s husband), Michael Mohn (previous clergy), Kathleen Franz (Kelly’s mother), Adele & Richard Sauer (Cindy’s parents), Judith Refo (Judy’s mother), Robert (homeless in Leesburg), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram’s friend), Priscilla Clark (Martha’s mother), and Nancy Prestipino & Luigi Perrachia (on the death of Nancy’s daughter, Sasha) .

**To add or remove someone to the prayer list, send an email to [prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org](mailto:prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org)**

***The Church:*** For Justin, Archbishop; for Michael, Presiding Bishop; for Susan and Jennifer, our Bishops, for Mark, our Bishop Diocesan Elect, and for Debbie and Martha, our Supply Clergy.

***In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer,*** pray today for Altar and Flower Guilds and Choirs.

***In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer,*** pray today for The Anglican Church of Australia.

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