

# Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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

### Guidelines for indoor worship:

Masks are now optional. Masks and hand sanitizer are available at the welcome table in the Narthex, and sanitizer is available at other locations in the Sanctuary.

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## CALENDAR

### SUN Nov 27 **The First Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. **Lessons & Carols** with Tim Hall

5:00 p.m. **“Centered”** small group in Parish Hall

### SAT Dec. 3 **Ordination & Consecration of the 14th Bishop Diocesan**

The Reverend Canon E. Mark Stevenson, 11 a.m.

St. Paul’s Baptist Church, Henrico

### SUN Dec 4 **The Second Sunday of Advent**

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

Lay Reader: Cindy Ingram | Zoomer: Tim Hall

Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

5:00 p.m. **“Centered”** small group in Parish Hall

### SAT Dec. 10 **Meditation Walk**, 10 a.m. at Cool Spring pavilion

(see details in the Notices)

### SUN Dec 11 **The Third Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Martha Clark

LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall | Lay Reader: Tim Hall

Zoomer: Tim Hall | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

5:00 p.m. **“Centered”** small group in Parish Hall

### SUN Dec 18 **The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Deborah Rutter

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | LEM & Prayers: Josette Keelor

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

5:00 p.m. **“Centered”** small group in Parish Hall

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets at Good Shepherd every Saturday at 8:30 pm, in person or by Zoom. Drop in, or visit <https://aavirginia.org/meetings> and search for Bluemont.



**MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO**  
**INCLUDING**  
**A SERVICE OF ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Officiant: Tim Hall

Musicians/Singers: Eileen Cawood, Bryan Zidek, Janet Locklear,  
Josette Keelor, Dan Cawood, and Tim Hall

Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy, Janet Locklear, Bryan Zidek, Catherine  
Macoy, Josette Keelor, and Lee Ruddle

Zoomer: Judy Hall

**Welcome**

**Choral Introit** “Prepare Ye”

*from Godspell*

**The Lighting of the Advent Candle**

*A reading from the book of Isaiah (Isaiah 9:2),*

The people who walk in darkness have seen a great light; those  
who live in a land of deep shadow, on them a light has shined.

*The 1<sup>st</sup> candle is lit. Then the congregation prays together*

**Almighty God, grant that the love of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
may so light our whole lives that we need never again walk  
in darkness. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn 56** “O come, O come Emmanuel”

*vv 1,2,3*

*Veni, veni Emmanuel*

1 O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here – until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee of Israel.

2 O come thou Wisdom from on high, who orderest all thing mightily;  
to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee of Israel.

3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai’s height  
in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty and awe.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee of Israel.

**A Bidding Prayer:**

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go even to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger. Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of the God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against Him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise.

But first, so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

**Confession of Sin**

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**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 Invitatory and the Psalter**

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**Venite**

*Hymnal, S-35*

*Psalm 95:1-7*

***Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.***

*For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands have molded the dry land.  
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!*

## **The Lessons**

Lesson 1: Genesis 3:1–15

*A Reading from Genesis*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’ ” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig

leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.”

He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.”

The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

To the woman he said, “I will greatly increase your pangs in child-bearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.” And to the man he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

*The Word of the Lord.*   **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem “Wayfaring Stranger”

*American Folk Song* (LEVAS 19)

Lesson 2: Isaiah 40:1-5

*A Reading from Isaiah*

**Comfort**, O comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her

that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid,

that she has received from the Lord's hand  
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.  
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

*The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 67** “Comfort, comfort ye my people”

*Psalm 42*

1 Comfort, comfort ye my people, speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
comfort those who sit in darkness mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.  
Speak ye to Jerusalem of the peace that waits for them;  
tell her that her sins I cover, and her warfare now is over.

2 Hark, the voice of one that crieth in the desert far and near,  
calling us to new repentance since the kingdom now is here.  
Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way;  
let the valleys rise to meet him, and the hills bow down to greet him.

3 Make ye straight what long was crooked, make the rougher places plain;  
let your hearts be true and humble, as befits his holy reign.  
For the glory of the Lord now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
and all flesh shall see the token that the word is never broken.

Lesson 3: Isaiah 35:1–7, 10

*A Reading from Isaiah*

**T**he wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,  
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,  
and rejoice with joy and singing.  
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,

the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.  
They shall see the glory of the LORD,  
the majesty of our God.  
Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.  
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
“Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.  
He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense.  
He will come and save you.”  
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.  
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.  
And the ransomed of the LORD shall return,  
and come to Zion with singing;  
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
they shall obtain joy and gladness,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

*The Word of the Lord.*   **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem “The desert shall rejoice”

*Sterling* (WLP 722)

Lesson 4: Baruch 4:36 – 5:9

*A Reading from Baruch*

**Look** toward the east, O Jerusalem, and see the joy that is coming to you from God. Look, your children are coming, whom you sent away; they are coming, gathered from east and west, at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the glory of God. Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the



beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

*The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

**WLP 724** "People, look East"

*Besaçon Carol*

1. People, look east. The time is near  
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the guest, is on the way.
2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,  
Guard the nest that must be filled.  
Even the hour when wings are frozen  
God for fledging time has chosen.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the bird, is on the way.

4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
One more light the bowl shall brim,  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.

5. Angels, announce with shouts of mirth  
Christ who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Lesson 5: Zephaniah 3:14-18

*A Reading from Zephaniah*

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;  
shout, O Israel!  
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,  
O daughter Jerusalem!  
The LORD has taken away the judgments against you,  
he has turned away your enemies.  
The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;  
you shall fear disaster no more.  
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:  
Do not fear, O Zion;  
do not let your hands grow weak.  
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,  
a warrior who gives victory;  
he will rejoice over you with gladness,  
he will renew you in his love;  
he will exult over you with loud singing  
as on a day of festival.  
I will remove disaster from you,  
so that you will not bear reproach for it.

*The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 54** “Savior of the nations, come!” *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

1 Savior of the nations, come! Virgin’s Son, make here your home.  
Marvel now, both heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.

2 Wondrous birth! Oh, wondrous child of the Virgin undefiled!  
Mighty God and Mary’s son, eager now his race to run!

3 Thus on earth the Word appears, gracing his created spheres;  
hence to death and hell descends, then the heavenly throne ascends.

4 Come, O Father’s saving Son, who o’er sin the victory won.  
Boundless shall your kingdom be; grant that we its glories see.

Lesson 6: Luke 1:5–25

*A Reading from the Gospel of Luke*

In the days of King Herod of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly order of Abijah. His wife was a descendant of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. Both of them were righteous before God, living blamelessly according to all the commandments and regulations of the Lord. But they had no children, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were getting on in years.

Once when he was serving as priest before God and his section was on duty, he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him.

But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. You will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He must never drink wine or strong drink; even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. He will turn many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. With the spirit and power of Elijah he will go before him, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and

the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

Zechariah said to the angel, “How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years.” The angel replied, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur.”

Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zechariah, and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary. When he did come out, he could not speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He kept motioning to them and remained unable to speak. When his time of service was ended, he went to his home.

After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she remained in seclusion. She said, “This is what the Lord has done for me when he looked favorably on me and took away the disgrace I have endured among my people.”

*The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

**WLP 889** “The Song of Zechariah”

*Shepherd’s Pipes*

1 Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free  
and raises up new hope for us: a Branch from David’s tree.  
So have the prophets long declared that with his mighty arm  
God would turn back our enemies and all that wish us harm.

2 With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall,  
the oath once sworn to Abraham; from foes to save us all;  
that we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise,  
in holiness and righteousness to serve God all our days.

3 My child, as prophet of the Lord you will prepare the way,  
to tell God’s people they are saved from sin’s eternal sway.  
Then shall God’s mercy from on high shine forth and never cease,  
to drive away the gloom of death and lead us into peace.

Lesson 7: Luke 1:26–38

*A Reading from the Gospel of Luke*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

*The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 265** "The angel Gabriel"

*Gabriel's Message*

*(vv. 1-3 Cantors; v. 4 All)*

4. Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born  
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,  
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—  
"Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

**The Homily**

Tim Hall

## The Apostles' Creed

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, 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

*Officiant*            The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant*            Let us pray.

*The People may be seated or kneel*

**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** [*Chanted on a monotone, descending a minor third on the final syllable of each line*]

V. Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed;

**R. Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.**

V. Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.

**R. Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.**

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

**R. Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.**

V. We wait for thy loving-kindness, O Lord.

**R. In the midst of thy temple.**

### **The Collect for the First Sunday of Advent**

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Other Collects**

*BCP p. 98-100*

*After the Prayer for Mission, 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.**

### **An Advent Prayer**

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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

May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon us and scatter the darkness from before our path; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst us, and remain with us always. **Amen**

### **The Peace**

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

### **Greetings and Announcements**

Closing **Hymn 66** “Come though long expected Jesus” *Stuttgart*

1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.

2 Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art:  
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.



3 Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king,  
born to reign in us for ever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.

4 By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all-sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

### 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

#### SPIRITUAL GROWTH

We are looking into forming a **men's CENTERED small group starting in January**. CENTERED is an Episcopal discipleship series where we gather to share a simple meal; view short films; discuss questions about God, belonging in community, and living a meaningful life; in order to deepen our support for each other in intentionally following Jesus and his Way of Love. To sign up for the men's group, contact Tim Hall ([timhall0054@gmail.com](mailto:timhall0054@gmail.com) or 540-454-0564).

The final **Meditation Walk** is coming up on Saturday **Dec. 10**. Meet at the pavilion on the Cool Springs campus of Shenandoah University at **10 a.m.** to meditate on "Walking Towards Peace."

#### OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect donations for the **FISH** food bank in Berryville. Our Thanksgiving food donation weighed 94 pounds. FISH is holding **special food collections and distributions for the holiday season, focused on providing families the makings of a holiday dinner**. So, for December, we are continuing to collect small turkey breasts, small hams, canned pumpkin, condensed milk, pie crusts, canned cranberry, stuffing, gravy, butter, eggs, and sweet potatoes. Checks made out to FISH to support this effort are also

appreciated. Senior warden Lois Tapscott's next delivery of Good Shepherd's contributions will be **Dec. 14**.

### GIVING

After a wonderful Pledge Sunday and Harvest Luncheon last week, our "**More than Enough!**" **stewardship campaign continues**. Thank you to everyone who has already made their commitment.

If you have not yet made your pledge, our stewardship materials are available in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider your 2023 pledge of time, talent, and treasure and **place your gifts** of gratitude and commitment **in the offertory plate** on Sunday morning. Or you can mail them to the church at PO Box 324, Bluemont, VA 20135.

God has given us all we need, and it is **our great joy to give back**. Our regular Sunday offering is also collected in the plate by the entrance. Giving envelopes are there for cash donations. **Thank you for your support!**

### OUR FACILITY

The **garden paths** in our **Prayer and Meditation Garden** are outlined and ready for pavers, and the stone mason has completed work on the lower garden retaining wall.

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### PRAYERS

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

***In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer,*** pray today in celebration of the upcoming Ordination and Consecration of the XIV Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

***In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer,*** pray today for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

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

***Friends and Family:*** Congregants Martha Hayes, Tim Ingram, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee, and Penni Tidwell; 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), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram’s friend), Priscilla Clark (Martha’s mother), the staff and animals at Clarke County animal shelter, Meredith & June Harmon (Cindy’s friend and her daughter), Briana Faye (Bryan’s daughter), Virginia Girolami and her daughter Savannah Newsome, Pat Pearson, and Dee Buzzoni, Geraldine Kolowski, Lori Lilly Timmons & Paula Harris (Darlene’s friends & family).

*O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant **Gary Tidwell**, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

*Almighty God, Father of mercies and giver of comfort: Deal graciously, we pray, with all who mourn; that, casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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