

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: For those in Ukraine and those who have fled Ukraine, the homeless across our nation, and the victims of mass shootings and gun violence. For Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee, Tim Ingram, Penni Tidwell, Bryan Zidek, George and Debbie Rutter, Terri Quinlan (Josette's mom), Val Marsh, the Adamson Family (in Russia), Judi Floyd, Jorie & Richard Martin, the Desamparado family (Cindy's cousins in the Philippines), 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), Meredith and her daughter June Harmon (Cindy's friends), Pat Pearson, Virginia and her daughter Savannah, Shirley Russell (longtime Bluemont resident), Timothy Ruddle (Lee's nephew), Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and Dee Buzzoni, Geraldine Kolowski, Lori Lilly Timmons, Paula Harris & Sam Myers (Darlene's friends & family).

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

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for Immanuel Old Church, Mechanicsville.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.



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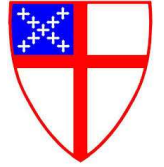
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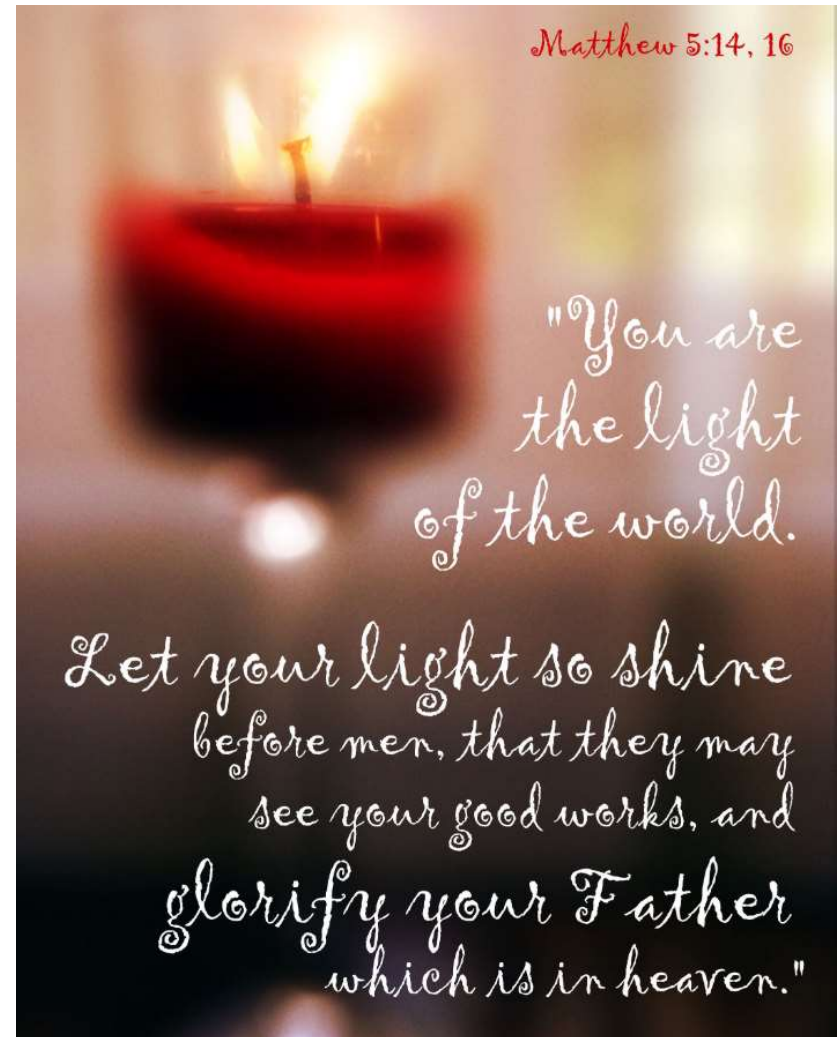
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The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 5, 2023

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.



CALENDAR

WED Feb 8 “Centered” men’s group in the parish hall – 5:30 p.m.

SUN Feb 12 **The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Deb Rutter

Lay Reader: Janet Locklear | LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall

Zoomer: Tim Hall | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

SAT Feb 18 “Praying Through Winter” – 11 a.m. to noon
at Good Shepherd (See Notices for more information)

SUN Feb 19 **The Last Sunday after Epiphany**

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Martha Clark

Lay Reader & Prayers: Lee Ruddle | LEM: Tim Hall

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

Noon Annual Congregational Meeting

MON Feb 20 “Centered” men’s group in the parish hall – 5 p.m.

TUE Feb 21 **Shrove Tuesday Community Pancake Supper**

Downstairs in parish hall – 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

SUN Feb 26 **The First Sunday in Lent**

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Deb Rutter

Lay Reader: Josette Keelor | LEM & Prayers: Cindy Ingram

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

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



NOTICES

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect donations for the **FISH** food bank in Berryville. Our January donations of many canned foods, soups, cereal, oatmeal and juices weighed 97 pounds.

Thank you to all the volunteers yesterday, **Feb. 4**, when we hosted the **FISH Community Table** mobile food pantry for the first time. We will be doing this on the first Saturday of every month. Contact Judy Hall or Lois Tapscott to get involved in this new ministry.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The **men’s CENTERED small group** is off to a great start. If you’d like to join, there’s still time. The next two meetings are listed in the calendar. The meeting always includes a simple meal followed by viewing of two short videos and discussions about God, belonging in community, and living a meaningful life. Contact Tim Hall (timhall0054@gmail.com or 540-454-0564).

The next session of “**Praying Through Winter**” is scheduled for **Sat. Feb. 18**, from 11 to 12 noon and will focus on prayerful yoga & *lectio divina*. See the flyer in the narthex for more details.

GIVING

We are collecting gifts for the **Absalom Jones Fund** today and next Sunday. Write “Absalom Jones” on the memo line of your check or on the front of the envelopes for cash donations. The church will match total donations up to \$500. Our regular Sunday offering is also collected in the plate by the entrance. **Thank you for your support!**

OUR FACILITY

We are looking to improve our online presence and video capabilities. If you would like to help with this, please contact Judy or Tim.

Hard copies of our church directory are available in the Narthex or electronically (via email to office@goodshepherdblueмонт.org).

Greetings and Announcements

The Offertory

The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture.

*Because of the recent spike in COVID, the offering plate will not be passed.
Please leave your offering in the plate 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

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Closing **Hymn 629** “We limit not the truth of God” *Halifax*

An Epiphany Blessing

May we each day open the window of our worlds, inviting the fresh Light of Epiphany to flood us with hope, to bring us fresh insight, and to fill us with grateful joy. May we see the world with new creation eyes, filled with potential and brimming with promise. May our lives be a continuous unfolding into God’s grace, revealing new vistas that expand our faith horizons. In Jesus’ name we pray, and are saved. **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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DAILY MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO

Officiant: Cindy Ingram

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: “Andantino Cantabile” *C.P.E. Bach*

Opening Sentence for Epiphany *BCP p. 76*
(*The People stand*)

Nations shall come to our light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. *Isaiah 60:3*

The Officiant and People begin with the Opening Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Officiant Let us pray.

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 **Hymn 6** “Christ, whose glory fills the skies”
Christ Whose Glory

Confession of Sin *BCP p. 79*

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together

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 Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord 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

BCP p. 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips

People **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!

The Antiphon (Officiant)

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate

BCP p. 82 (Hymnal S-44)

Psalms 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.**

**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 (*The People stand*)

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 Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for Immanuel Old Church, Mechanicsville. 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 Mark our Bishop; and for Debbie and Martha, 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 thanksgivings

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 Prayer Intercessor may be seated

Prayer **Hymn 694** "God, be in my head"

Lytlington

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.

**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.**

The Collect of the Day

The Officiant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (*The people may be seated*)

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The Old Testament: Isaiah 58:1-9a, [9b-12]

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

"Why do we fast, but you do not see?"

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,

and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?
Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.
[If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.]
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**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 and The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Prayer Intercessor and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

- 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 Prayers of the People, Form VI

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.

The Homily

Cindy Ingram

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, 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.

Prayer Hymn 488 "Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart" *Slane*

The Prayers

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(Please be seated or kneel)

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

The People may be seated

**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.**

Psalm 112:1-9, [10] *(The People stand)*

Chanted in Unison

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Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)



- 1 Hallelujah!
Happy are they who fear the | Lord *
and have great delight in his com | mandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the | land; *
the generation of the upright will be | blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their | house, *
and their righteousness will last for | ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the | upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of com | passion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in | lending *
and to manage their affairs with | justice.
- 6 For they will never be | shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting re | membrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil | rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the | Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not | shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their | enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the | poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with | honor.
- [10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine a | way; *
the desires of the wicked will | perish.]

(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16]

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

“For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.]

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

People **Thanks be to God**

(The People stand)

Gradual **Hymn 381** “Thy strong word did cleave the darkness”

Tony-y-Botel

(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew.

The Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

People **Thanks be to God**