

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 26, 2023

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

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.



SAT Apr 1 **FISH Community Table, 9-11 a.m.** (see Notices)
Parish Work Day, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. (see Notices)

SUN Apr 2 **Palm Sunday**
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with the Rev Deborah Rutter
Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy, Josette Keelor
LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

THU Apr 6 **Maundy Thursday**
6 p.m. Sacred Supper
7 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Foot Washing with Rev Martha Clark

FRI Apr 7 **Good Friday**
6 p.m. Outdoor Stations of the Cross
7 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Passion with Tim Hall
Lay Readers & Prayers: Cindy Ingram,
Josette Keelor & Charlene Fu | Zoomer: Judy Hall

SUN Apr 9 **Easter Sunday**
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
and The Rev. Martha Clark
Lay Readers: Lee Ruddle & Kelly Macoy
LEM/Prayers: Cindy Ingram | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood
Zoomer: Tim Hall

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.



Daily Morning Prayer: Rite I

Officiant: Tim Hall

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddell | Zoomer: Judy Hall

Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: "I Must Tell Jesus"

Elisha A. Hoffman

The Officiant and People begin with the Opening Prayer

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Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Opening Hymn 635 "If thou but trust in God to guide thee"

Georg Neumark

Opening Sentence for Lent

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *John 1:8, 9*

Confession of Sin

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The Officiant says to the people

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Officiant and People together (seated or kneeling)

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,

**we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts,**

we have offended against thy holy laws,

we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

spare thou those who confess their faults,

restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises
declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of
all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and
consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter (*standing*)

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Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy 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.**

The officiant continues with this invitation during the season of Lent

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O Come let us adore him.

Venite (*Psalm 95:1-7*)

HymnalS-35

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

The Old Testament: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

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: Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 455** "O Love of God, how strong and true"

Dunedin

The Gospel: John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he

loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Homily

Tim Hall

The Apostles’ Creed

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Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

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Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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.**

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V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in thee can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. Thy 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 thy Holy Spirit.

The Officiant prays the Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Other Collects

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

The officiant says:

We sum up these and all the prayers on our hearts, praying together the General Thanksgiving.

The General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,

**give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

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

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

The Peace *(Please stand)*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings and Announcements

The Offertory

*The Officiant begins **the Offertory** with a sentence of Scripture. The offering plate will not be passed. 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 thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through thy 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 thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing **Hymn 495** "Hail, thou once despised Jesus!"

Halifax

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

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

The Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect donations for the **FISH** food bank in Berryville. If you have **last-minute March donations**, leave them in the Narthex before Wednesday morning.

We are hosting the **FISH Community Table** mobile food pantry this **Saturday, April 1**, from **9 to 11 a.m.** We are fixing a pancake and sausage biscuit breakfast for the patrons. Going forward, the mobile food pantry will distribute from Good Shepherd on the first Saturday of the month.

UPCOMING BISHOP VISIT

The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris will be joining us on **Sun., April 23**. It's been 3-1/2 years since our last bishop's visit (delayed because of COVID-19). A **special reception will follow our 11 a.m. service.**

GIVING

Our Sunday offering is collected in the plate by the entrance. You may also send your donations by mail to the address on the back page. **Thank you for your generosity.**

OUR FACILITY

Due to the weather we had to postpone our Prayer Garden Work Day yesterday. Please come, instead, on **April 1, starting at 9 a.m.** if you are not working at the FISH Community Table (see FISH Notice). Otherwise, **join us afterwards from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** when we will get our grounds cleaned up and ready for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter and finish our prayer garden tasks. Thanks!

✠ ✠ ✠ ✠ 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 that continue unabated. For Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, Nancy Kelley, 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), Meredith and her daughter June Harmon (Cindy's friends), Pat Pearson, Virginia and her daughter Savannah, Shirley Russell (longtime Bluemont resident), Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and Dee Buzzoni, Geraldine Kolowski, Lori Lilly Timmons & Sam Myers (Darlene's friends & family).

To add someone to or remove someone 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, Martha and Rob, our Supply Clergy.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray today for St. John's Tappahannock.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Anglican Church of South America.

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