

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

April 2, 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

- THU Apr 6** **Maundy Thursday**
6 p.m. **Sacred Mediterranean Supper**
7 p.m. **Holy Eucharist & Foot Washing**
with The 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. **Festival Holy Eucharist**
with The Revs. Martha Clark & Deborah Rutter
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | LEM: Cindy Ingram
Prayers: Lee Ruddle | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood
Zoomer: Tim Hall
Noon **Refreshments & Fellowship** in the Parish Hall
- SUN Apr 16** **The Second Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Rob Banse
Lay Reader: Ray Ewing | LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor
Guitar: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall
- SUN Apr 23** **The Third Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris

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



THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

Celebrant: Rev. Deborah Rutter

Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy, Josette Keelor

LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall

Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

Passion Readers: Cindy Ingram, Bryan Zidek, Josette Keelor,
Ray Ewing, Penni Tidwell, Lee Ruddle & Eileen Cawood

Prelude “Our Savior’s Love ”

Gates/Schmidt

After the prelude, please move outside to the front of the church (weather permitting), where palms will be distributed and blessed.

The Liturgy of the Palms

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A reader introduces the Gospel for Palm Sunday saying,

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.” *(Matthew 21:1-11)*

The celebrant then says the following blessing

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Amen.

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

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

The Procession

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Processional Hymn 154 “All glory, laud, and honor” *(see back page)*

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The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The Old Testament: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me

the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain

the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens--

wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me,

and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;

Therefore I have set my face like flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:9-16

Said responsively by half verse

In te, Domine, speravi

9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; *

**my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.**

10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *

**my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.**

11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my
neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *

I am as useless as a broken pot.

13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *

**they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.**

14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. *

I have said, "You are my God.

15 My times are in your hand; *

**rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *

and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

The Rev. Deborah Rutter

Gradual Hymn “Ride on! Ride on in majesty”

Winchester New

1. Ride on! ride on in majesty! Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
thy humble beast pursues his road with palms and scattered garments
strowed.
2. Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

3. Ride on! ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

4. Ride on! ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; the Father on his sapphire throne expects his own anointed Son.

5. Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

The Passion According to Matthew

see insert

After the narrative, silence for 1-2 minutes of quiet reflection

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for Abingdon, White Marsh; Grace, Alexandria; Grace, Bremono Bluff; and Kingston, Mathews;

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, Martha and Rob, 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.

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 & John West (Darlene's friends & family).

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 Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem “Behold the Lamb”

Martin Willet

Sung by Josette Keelor; Piano: Eileen Cawood

The People stand for the Doxology

Hymn 380 v.3 “Praise God from whom all blessings flow” *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Hymnal S-130

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy and peace; and at the last day bring us with all of your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei

S-164 (Sung in Unison)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Celebrant says the following

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

An Invitation to a Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that can be prayed at any time to express a desire to receive Holy Communion when circumstances prevent a person from actually receiving Holy Communion.

The Act of Reception

*The Celebrant invites the following prayer to be said by all **virtual** participants.*

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Communion Hymn 337 “And now, O Father, mindful of thy love”

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Unde et memores

After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

The Blessing

Closing **Hymn 473** “Lift high the cross”

Crucifer

The Dismissal

Postlude “The Palms”

Faure/Grant



NOTICES

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect donations for the **FISH** food bank in Berryville. Our March donation weighed 73 pounds.

Thanks to all the volunteers who made our hosting of the **FISH Community Table** mobile food pantry **yesterday** a great success, especially in serving 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**. This is also an opportunity for **confirmation, baptism, reception** into the Episcopal Church or **reaffirmation** (publicly renewing your commitment to Christ). If you're interested in any of these ceremonies, please talk to Rev. Martha to get started on the preparation process.

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.**

For the 101st year, The Episcopal Church is taking a **Good Friday Offering** to support **the dioceses of Jerusalem and the Middle East**. Good Shepherd Church will match your offering, so please make checks out to Good Shepherd Church and **put “The Church in Jerusalem” in the memo line.**

OUR FACILITY

Thank you to everyone who showed up for our **Parish Work Day** yesterday, putting in many hours to do spring planting in the Prayer Garden and get our grounds cleaned up and ready for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter. **Your many hours of hard work are appreciated!**



PRAYERS

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

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

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Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One.
(Refrain)

2. The company of angels are praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply. (Refrain)

3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.
(Refrain)

4. To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. (Refrain)

5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.
(Refrain)



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