

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
September 24, 2023

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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

UPDATED guidelines for indoor worship:

Masks are optional and are available at the welcome table in the Narthex. Hand sanitizer is available at many locations in the church. We are sharing communion wine from the common cup. If you would prefer not to partake, you may make a sign of the cross with the host over the cup as it passes.

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WED Sep 27 FISH - Good Shepherd food donation delivery

THU Sep 28 Prayer and Meditation Garden help, 9-11 a.m.

SUN Oct 1 The 18th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Josette Keelor
Lay Reader: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell
Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

THU Oct 5 Prayer and Meditation Garden help, 9-11 a.m.

SAT Oct 7 FISH Community Table, 9-11 a.m.

SUN Oct 8 The 18th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Animals
with The Rev. Martha Clark
LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall
Lay Reader: Lee | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

THU Oct 12 Prayer and Meditation Garden help, 9-11 a.m.

SUN Oct 15 The 20th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Cindy Ingram
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | Zoomer: Tim Hall
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

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.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Celebrant: The Rev. Deb Rutter

LEM: Cindy Ingram | Prayers: Lee Ruddle

Zoomer: Penni Tidwell | Lay Reader & Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude “O Savior, Hear Me”

C.W. Von Gluck

Opening **Hymn 343** “Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless”

St. Agnes

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.**

The Celebrant prays

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.**

The following hymn is sung, all standing

Hymnal S-280

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Book of Jonah.

The Old Testament: Jonah 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” And the Lord said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” Then the Lord said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:1-8

Said antiphonally by half verse

Exaltabo te, Deus

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *

and bless your Name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless you *

and praise your Name for ever and ever.

3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *

there is no end to his greatness.

4 One generation shall praise your works to another *

and shall declare your power.

5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *

and all your marvelous works.

6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *

and I will tell of your greatness.

7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *

they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *

slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

The Epistle: Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be

with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 541** “Come labor on”

Ora Labora

Then, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’

When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Deb Rutter

The Nicene Creed

The People stand

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer Hymn 660 “O Master, let me walk with thee”

Maryton

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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 the people of Maui, Morocco, and Libya. For those in Ukraine and
those who have fled Ukraine. For the homeless nearby and across our
nation. For the victims of mass shootings and gun violence that
continue unabated. For the safety and freedom from theft for Pine
Grove and Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers.

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 Pierce Locklear (Janet's step grandson), Bert Bonavita (Penni's cousin), Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddell, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, David Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson Family in Russia, Jorie & Richard Martin, Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends), David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Michael Mohn & Ralph Bayfield (previous clergy), Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Adele & Richard Sauer (Cindy's parents), Judith Refo (Judy's mother), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend), Pat Pearson, Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and Geraldine Kolowski, John West & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

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 *Diocesan Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for all bishops, including our own, participating in the House of Bishops meeting. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Church of Ireland.

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 and Gayle, our Bishops; 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.

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 petitions

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, remembering especially Dee Buzzoni,
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 Leader continues

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or 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 **WLP 761** “All who hunger gather gladly”
(*The people remain seated*)

Holy Manna

The People stand for the Doxology

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

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP, p.367

Eucharistic Prayer B

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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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-125]*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are 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.

The People may be seated or kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 has 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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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.

After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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**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 **WLP 778** “We all are one in mission”

Nyland

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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NOTICES

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect canned and dry goods, fresh produce, and paper products, for **FISH of Clarke County**. In August, we donated 3 dozen eggs, several packs of toilet paper and paper towels, and **114 pounds of canned and dry goods**. Thank you to everyone who was so generous in your donations. **Our next FISH collection delivery is Sept. 27th, this coming Wednesday.**

We will be hosting the next FISH Community Table mobile food pantry on Oct. 7th. **If you would like to help with anything related to FISH, please contact Lois Tapscott.**

OUR FACILITY

If you would like to help pick out window treatments for the Parish Hall or have ideas about this reimagined space, please contact Judy Hall or Penni Tidwell.

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us UPSTAIRS in the newly carpeted Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship after the service!

ANIMAL AWARENESS MONTH AT GOOD SHEPHERD

In recognition of **St. Francis of Assisi**, who's life and example is celebrated in the church on October 4th, for the whole month of October we will be collecting donations of dog and cat food and other items, to support the Clarke County Animal Shelter in Berryville. **Please start bringing in kitten food right away.** They have several new litters! We are also planning these other events:

- **Sunday Oct. 8th – Blessing of the Animals** with our service of Holy Communion (outside, weather permitting)
- **Saturday Oct. 21st**
 - Free community breakfast (9 a.m. – Noon)
 - Drop-in Blessings for your Animals (9 a.m. – noon)
 - Chestnut tree hunt (10 a.m. – Noon)
- **Sunday Oct. 29th** – After church we will **deliver the collected items to the Animal Shelter**, with prayers and blessings for animals and staff.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Rev. Martha Clarke will be helping lead a **Spiritual Practices Retreat on the weekend of 27-29 October** at the Claggett Center in rural Adamstown, MD, less than an hour from Good Shepherd. See the flyer in the Narthex for more information. Visit the Claggett Center web page for more details and to register. All meals, from dinner on Friday through lunch on Sunday, and retreat registration are included with the price of your accommodations.



✠ ✠ ✠ PRAYERS ✠ ✠ ✠

Pray for our neighbors and for ways we can serve the community.

Friends and Family: For the people of Maui, Morocco, and Libya. For those in Ukraine and those who have fled Ukraine. For the homeless nearby and across our nation. For the victims of mass shootings and gun violence that continue unabated. For the safety and freedom from theft for Pine Grove and Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers. For Pierce Locklear (Janet's step grandson), Bert Bonavita (Penni's cousin), Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, David Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson family in Russia, Jorie & Richard Martin, Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends), David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Michael Mohn & Ralph Bayfield (previous clergy), Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Adele & Richard Sauer (Cindy's parents), Judith Refo (Judy's mother), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend), Pat Pearson, Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and , Geraldine Kolowski, Sam Myers, John West & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

In thanksgiving for the life of Dee Buzzoni.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Dee, and grant her 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.

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



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