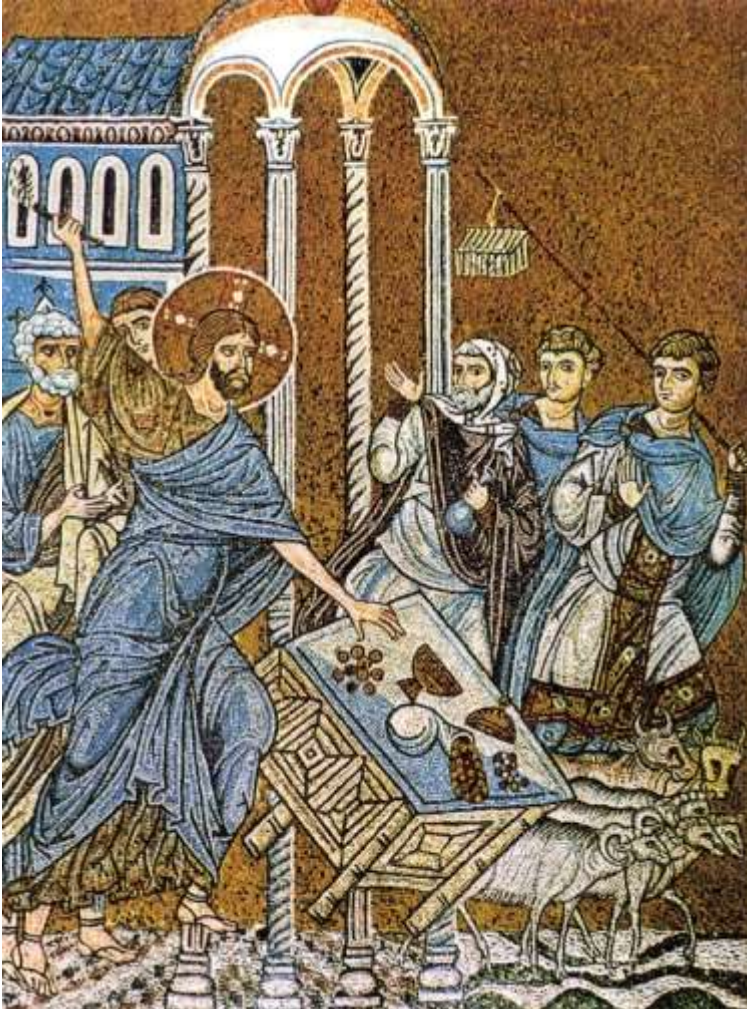


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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The Third Sunday in Lent
March 3, 2024

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



CALENDAR

- FRI Mar 8** **Lenten Study**, noon to 2 p.m. at the church (see Notices)
- SUN Mar 10** **The Fourth Sunday in Lent**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Martha Clark
Lay Reader: Josette Keelor | LEM & Prayers: Cindy Ingram
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Tim Hall
- FRI Mar 15** **Lenten Study**, noon to 2 p.m. at the church (see Notices)
- SAT Mar 16** **Lent Quiet Morning**, 9 a.m. to noon (see insert)
- SUN Mar 17** **The Fifth Sunday in Lent**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with the Josette Keelor
Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle
Keyboardist: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Judy Hall
- THU Mar 21** **Vestry Committee Meeting**, 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the church
- FRI Mar 22** **Lenten Study**, noon to 2 p.m. at the church (see Notices)
- SAT Mar 23** **Vestry Retreat**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church
- SUN Mar 24** **Palm Sunday - Holy Eucharist**
11:00 a.m. with the Revs. Deborah Rutter & Martha Clark
Lay Reader: Eileen Cawood | LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Tim Hall
- THU Mar 28** **Maundy Thursday**
6:00 p.m. **Sacred Supper** with the Rev. Martha Clark
7:00 p.m. **Footwashing and Holy Eucharist**
Lay Reader: Janet Locklear
LEM & Prayers: Josette Keelor
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Judy 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.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE

Celebrant: Rev. Deborah Rutter

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

Music: Janet Locklear, Rose Holden | Zoomer: Judy Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude “King of Glory, King of Peace”

Opening **Hymn 574** “Before thy throne, O God, we kneel”

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Seeing that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14, 16

The Kyrie

Hymnal S-91 (Sung in Unison)

Lord have mercy upon us. (3x)

Christ have mercy upon us. (3x)

Lord have mercy upon us. (3x)

The Celebrant says to the people

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The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our

souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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: Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19

Said responsively by half verse

Caeli enarrant

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
**sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.**
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
**then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.**
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn **WLP 747** “God the sculptor of the mountains”

Then, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel: John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Rev. Deborah Rutter

The Nicene Creed

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The Officiant and People together standing

**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.

The Prayers of the People, Form III (*Please be seated*)
The Leader and People pray responsively

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

[see *Friends and Family prayer list on back page*]

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

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**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 Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver

you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace (*Please stand*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Greetings and Announcements (*Please be seated*)

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory **Hymn 685** “Rock of ages, cleft for me”

The People stand for the Doxology

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

The Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts, [Hymnal S-114]
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People may be seated or kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty

resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

People and Celebrant

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**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

Hymnal S-158 (Sung in Unison)

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.*

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Celebrant says the following

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add 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** “Eat this bread”

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun - gry." and "Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.

After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The fast that I like, says the Lord, is the breaking of the chains of evil, the untying of the bonds of slavery.

It is freeing the oppressed, and welcoming the poor into your home.

It is clothing the person you find naked, and not despising your neighbor.

Then, if you cry, God will answer; if you call, God will say: I am here.
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be upon you to heal and transform you in this Lenten season. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn **LEVAS 28** “Down at the cross where my Savior died”

The Dismissal



NOTICES

LENTEN STUDY

Join us for **Noonday Prayer**, a **simple meal** of soup and bread (or you may bring a sandwich), and **lively discussions about the very essence of what it means to be a Christian.** For the six Fridays in Lent, **the Rev. Deborah Rutter** is leading a study of baptismal promises using the guide “Will You?” We meet from noon to 2 p.m. in our Parish Hall. Study books and supplies are provided.

LEM ORIENTATION AND TRAINING

After the service and coffee today, the Revs. Deb and Martha will meet with current Lay Eucharistic Ministers as well as those interested in learning more about this worship ministry for a brief training in the sanctuary.

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. **Our February donation** of canned, dried and boxed foods totalled **96 pounds.** This past Wednesday, Lois Tapscott, Rev. Martha Clark, and Sophia Zidek distributed 36 “to-go” meals. **This month’s donations need to be brought to the church by March 25.**



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Treasurer: Tim Hall
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PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: Hyden McClain (Nancy Kelley's great grandson); George & Diane Kern and their son-in-law Chris Riopelle; Tim & Ann White (Tim Hall's friends in New Hampshire); Bryan Zidek; Rob Banse; Alan Moeck (Christine's friend); Allison Knapp, Jamie Legg, Joanne Conner, and Kat Turner (Josette's friends); Cat Cox; Bobby Duke; Rose & Tyler Eiseman (Judi Floyd's friends); Elaine Eppley & family (Eileen's sister); Dane Toler (Lee's spouse); Bert Bonavita (Penni's cousin); Judson Hardy (Janet's father); Martha Hayes; Sheila Tapscott; Penelope Yungblut; Lee Ruddle; Tim Ingram; George & Debbie Rutter; Nancy Kelley; the Adamson family in Russia; Jorie & Richard Martin; 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 Hall's mother); Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend); and Sam Myers, John West, Geraldine Kolowski, & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

In thanksgiving for the life of Pat Pearson (Tim & Judy's friend), December 25, 2023; Barbara Van Sant Lynch (Martha Hayes' sister), January 11, 1932 – February 7, 2024; Chris Turner (Josette Keelor's friend), December 28, 1959 – February 16, 2024; and Norman H. Macoy (Kelly's father-in-law), September 30, 1936 - February 22, 2024.

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 and Gayle, our Bishops; and for Debbie, Martha and Rob, our Supply Clergy.

In the ***Diocesan Cycle of Prayer*** we pray today for The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, and all Bishops participating in the House of Bishops meeting. In the ***Anglican Cycle of Prayer***, we pray today for The Church of the Province of Uganda.