

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Sunday of the Passion:
Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



CALENDAR

- SUN Mar 24 Palm Sunday**
10:00 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal** with Eileen Cawood
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Deborah Rutter
and the Rev. Martha Clark
- THU Mar 28 Maundy Thursday**
10:00 a.m. **Set up for Sacred Supper** (in the Parish Hall)
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
- FRI Mar 29 Good Friday**
6:00 p.m. **Outdoor Stations of the Cross**
7:00 p.m. **Solemn Liturgy of the Passion** with Tim Hall
Lay Readers & Prayers: Cindy Ingram,
Josette Keelor & Charlene Fu
Keyboardist: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Judy Hall
- SAT Mar 30 Holy Saturday**
1:00 p.m. **Flowering of the Church** (Altar Guild and helpers)
- SUN Mar 31 Easter Sunday: The Sunday of the Resurrection**
10:00 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal** with Eileen Cawood
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Martha Clark
and the Rev. Deborah Rutter
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Judy Hall
- SUN Apr 7 The Second Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with Cindy Ingram
Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear
Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

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 SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

Celebrants: The Revs. Deborah Rutter & Martha Clark

Lay Reader & Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Guitarist: Rose Holden

LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall

Prelude “Hosanna, Lord” *sung by the choir* *Luton/Farra*

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 Mark

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve. (Mark 11:1-11)

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 last page)

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 Homily

The Rev. Martha Clark

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 Mark

(Mark 14:1-15:47)

Read dramatically by the following (in order of appearance):

Narrator 1 *Josette Keelor*
Chief Priests *Rev Deb & Rev Martha*
Judas *Rose Holden*
Jesus *Ryan Keelor*
Peter *Lee Ruddle*
Servant Girl *Judi Floyd*
Narrator 2 *Christine Kestner*
Centurion *Janet Locklear*
Accusers/ Bystanders *Tim Hall*
High Priest *Rick Whitehouse*
Pilate *Bryan Zidek*

Please remain seated until the mention of “Golgotha”, then stand as you are able.

When the Centurion acknowledges Jesus’ heritage, please be seated or kneel.

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

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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(Please be seated or kneel) The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For [*those on our Friends and Family prayer list on the back page*]. For all people in their daily life and work;

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

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 Shenandoah Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers. For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For those suffering from climate change and natural disasters. For migrants and refugees and all who are exploited. For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

For all people suffering from conflicts throughout the world. May they find a way to peace. 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 Grace, Alexandria, and St. Luke's-Wellington, Alexandria. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Church of the Province of West Africa;

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 Chris Turner, Josette's friend; Norman H. Macoy, Kelly's father-in-law; Russell Bush, Ray's brother-in-law; and Matthew Charles Iber, Rick's friend; 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 Cavood

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: *(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”

vv 1, 2

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 “I Will Arise and Go to Jesus”

*Walker’s Southern Harmony,
1835/Carter*



NOTICES

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING



Please consider making a gift for our **Good Friday Offering**, which provides critical support to the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, providing aid for, among many things, the Ahli Arab Episcopal Hospital in Gaza City, which we helped last fall when the Gaza war began. **We begin collecting donations today, and continue through Holy Week to the first Sunday after Easter.** Your Vestry has again authorized \$500 in matching funds. Checks should be made payable to Good Shepherd with “Good Friday offering” in the memo line. Or you may give cash in one of the pre-marked envelopes in the Narthex. For more information see: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/good-friday-offering/> Thank you for your support!

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**. On Feb. 28, 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 tomorrow.**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT GOOD SHEPHERD THIS WEEK

Help Rev. Martha **prepare the “Upper Room”** in our Parish Hall on Thursday, March 28, at 10 a.m. This is where, later that evening, we will be gathering for our “Sacred Supper”, a light Mediterranean meal with other FOJ’s (followers of Jesus).

Join with others for **“Flowering of the Church for Easter”** on Saturday, March 30, at 1:00 p.m. All flowers provided, but if you have you’d like to donate, by all means bring them along, as we prepare to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT GOOD SHEPHERD (See times in Calendar)

The **Maundy Thursday service** commemorates **three important gifts Jesus Christ gave to us** during this last evening with his disciples. **First is the Last Supper** where the sacrament of our Holy Communion with his body and blood are shared with the disciples. **Second is blessing of loving service** in Jesus's washing the feet of his disciples. **Third is the stripping of the Altar** as Jesus was taken from his disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane.

We will gather on the patio for our **Good Friday Stations of the Cross** walk through the woods around the church and up the hill to the cross in our meditation garden. In readings and prayers, we follow Jesus on his climb up Calvary to his death on the Cross for our salvation.

During the **Good Friday indoor service**, we will hear the Passion of Christ according to John, read by different voices, we’ll sing "Were you there when they crucified my Lord" and other Holy Week hymns, and we’ll pray the Solemn Collects and Veneration of the Cross, on this holiest of nights.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our **Meditation Walks**, resume on April 13 with the theme, **“Walking in the Spirit of Spring.”** We’ll meet at 10:30 a.m. in the pavilion at the Shenandoah University River Campus at Cool Springs. At our first get together, we’ll be **“Walking in the Newness of Life”**. Subsequent walks will be on May 18 and June 15.

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: Priscilla Clark (Martha's mother); Hyden McClain (Nancy Kelley's great grandson); Ian Macoy (father's death); George & Diane Kern and their son-in-law Chris Riopelle (Retreat neighbors); Tim & Ann White (Tim Hall's friends in New Hampshire); Rob Banse; Alan Moeck (Christine's friend); Allison Knapp, Jamie Legg, Joanne Conner, and Kat Turner (Josette's friends); Cat Cox (Retreat neighbor); Bobby Duke (Pine Grove neighbor); 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; 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 lives of:

Chris Turner (Josette Keelor's friend), Dec. 28, 1959 – Feb. 16, 2024;
Norman H. Macoy (Kelly's father-in-law), Sep. 30, 1936 – Feb. 22, 2024;
Russell Bush (Ray Ewing's brother-in-law), 1927 – March 17, 2024).and
Matthew Charles Iber (Rick Whitehouse's friend), Jan. 10, 1965 – Jan. 14, 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 Grace, Alexandria, and St. Luke's-Wellington, Alexandria.

In the **Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray today for The Church of the Province of West Africa.


Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1	Thou art the King of	Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al	Son,
2	The com - pa - ny of	an - gels is prais - ing thee on	high;
3	The peo - ple of the	He - brews with palms be - fore thee	went;
4	To thee be - fore thy	pas - sion they sang their hymns of	praise;
5	Thou didst ac - cept their	prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we	bring,

Repeat Refrain



1	who in the Lord's Name com - est, the	King and Bless - ed	One.
2	and we with all cre - a - tion in	cho - rus make re -	ply.
3	our praise and prayers and an -	thems be - fore thee we pre -	sent.
4	to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our	mel - o - dy we	raise.
5	who in all good de - light - est, thou	good and gra - cious	King.



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