

# Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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## Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



## CALENDAR

- 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  
                         **Refreshments & Fellowship** in the Parish 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
- SAT Apr 13**      **Walking in the Spirit of Spring**  
    **10:30 a.m.**      **Meditation Walk** with the Rev. Martha Clark  
    **to Noon**          The Pavilion at Cool Springs
- SUN Apr 14**      **The Third Sunday of Easter**  
    **11:00 a.m.**      **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Rob Banse  
                         Lay Reader: Josette Keelor | LEM/Prayers: Cindy Ingram  
                         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.



## A SERVICE FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

Celebrant: The Rev. Martha Clark

Lay Reader: Janet Locklear | LEM & Prayers: Josette Keelor

Musicians: Eileen Cawood & Rose Holden | Zoomer: Judy Hall

### Welcome and Introduction

*On this day, the Christian community gathers to share in the holy supper which Christ gave the Church to reveal his unfailing love for the human family. In the actions of this Maundy Thursday liturgy, Christ demonstrates this love by blessing our sacred meal together, speaking his faithful Word, washing our feet, and giving us the sacrament of his body and his blood. From this gathering we are sent to continue these actions in daily life: to build up God's community, to serve those in need, to offer mercy, to feed those who are hungry.*

*This first liturgy of the Three Days (Triduum) has no ending; it continues with the worship of Good Friday and concludes with the Vigil of Easter. Together the Three Days proclaim the mystery of our faith:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*All standing*

**Opening Hymn** "I come with joy to meet my Lord"

*Land of Rest*

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven loved, and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.  
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence always near,  
is in such friendship better known: we see, and praise him here.

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise

## Sacred Meal

*When all are seated at the tables, the table hosts light the candles and the Celebrant begins:*

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe. You have blessed the earth to bring forth food to satisfy our hunger. On this night, you gave us the bread of life and the cup of salvation in the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

*People*

**Let this food strengthen us in the trials that are before us, that following our Savior in the Way of the Cross, we may come to the joy of his resurrection. Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The meal is served and will finish by 6:45.*



*The community remains seated at table for the Old Testament Reading:*

### **Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 12:1-14**

*Reader* A Reading from the Book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

*All are invited to leave the meal table and follow the Paschal Candle to 'pass over' into the Sanctuary and find seats while singing "Bless the Lord my soul".*

**Bless the Lord, my soul – and bless God's holy name.**

**Bless the Lord, my soul – who leads me into life.**

*When all are seated in the sanctuary, the Celebrant continues:*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray

Almighty God, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Psalms 116:1, 10-17**

*(said responsively by whole verse)*

I love the Lord, because he has heard  
the voice of my supplication.

**Because he has inclined his ear to me  
whenever I called upon him.**

How shall I repay the Lord  
for all the good things he has done for me?

**I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call upon the Name of the Lord,**

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.

**Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his servants.**

O Lord, I am thy servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.**

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,

**In the courts of the Lord's house,  
in your midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

**The New Testament Reading: Corinthians 1:23-26**

*Reader*      A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

**The Institution of the Lord's Supper**

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand*

**Gospel Hymn:** “The Servant Song”

*by Richard Gillard*

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey; we’re together on this road.  
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I’ll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow till we’ve seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we’ve known together, of Christ’s love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

**Holy Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

**Jesus Washes the Disciples’ Feet**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” Jesus answered, “You do not know now what I am

doing, but later you will understand.” Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” Jesus said to him, “One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.” For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

After Jesus had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

*Celebrant*     The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Homily**

*Rev. Martha Clark*

## **The Foot Washing**

*Celebrant*

Jesus, after he had shared a meal with his disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, “Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done for you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done.”

*People*

**Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you;  
peace which the world cannot give, I give to you**



I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

**Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.**

*People are invited to come forward to have their feet washed and, in turn, to wash the feet of others.*

*The following hymns are sung during foot washing*

**LEVAS 74** “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love” *Ghana folk song*

***Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.***

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain*

Neighbors are rich folk and poor, neighbors are black, brown, and white,  
neighbors are nearby and far away. *Refrain*

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you. *Refrain*

Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves:  
this is the way we should live with you. *Refrain*

**Hymn: “The Gospel In A Word Is Love”**

*(to be sung twice through with the second time sung in round)*

Love, love, love, love, the gospel in a word is love,  
Love thy neighbor as thy brother, love, love, love.

Peace, peace, peace, peace, the gospel in a word is peace,  
Peace that passes understanding, peace, peace, peace.

Joy, joy, joy, joy, the gospel in a word is joy,  
Joy that fills to overflowing, joy, joy, joy.

Christ, Christ, Christ, Christ, the gospel in a word is Christ,  
Love Him, serve Him, and adore Him, Christ, Christ, Christ.

**Hymn: “A New Commandment”**

A new commandment I give unto you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
By this shall all know that you are my disciples,  
if you have love one for another;  
by this shall all know that you are my disciples:  
if you have love one for another.

**The Prayers of The People**

*After the washing of feet, the Lay Eucharistic minister invites the congregation into prayer*

*LEM:* In this season of repentance and reconciliation, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

Sustaining and ever-present God, your Son endured terror in his death on the cross. Be present in all the struggles of your church that we may persist in honoring and serving you. Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great**

You open the eyes of the world to your power in the cross. Give sight to the leaders of nations and direct them to care for the hungry, poor, and oppressed. Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great**

Your grace sustains all whose hearts are broken and you supply every human need. Bless all who bear doubt, despair, illness, and sorrow with your comforting presence especially those we name now (People may add their own petitions). Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great**

You show us how to live in joy and peace. Lead all who are preparing for baptism to the waters of life and renew us all through Christ’s death and resurrection. Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great**

Your grace and truth have shone through the lives of the saints. Keep us in communion with the saints and all who have died, and give us hope of eternal life. Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great**

Hear our prayers, merciful God. By your Holy Spirit transform our lives to declare your praise and to make known your grace in Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

### **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**

*Celebrant:*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*The loose offering this evening will be given to the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East in support of the Good Friday Offering initiative*

Offertory Hymn **LEVAS 151** “One Bread, One Body”

*Refrain:* One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, through-out the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man – no more.
2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord – of all.
3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one – for all.

*The People stand for the Doxology*

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

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*BCP, p.361*

#### **Eucharistic Prayer A**

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.***

*Hymnal S-114*

***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*

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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 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

*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 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 congregation sings*

**LEVAS 155** “This Is My Body”

*Music: Edward Bonnemere  
Words from “Mary, Cause of our Joy”*

This is my body given up for you,  
this is my blood poured out for you.  
This is my body given up for you,  
this is my blood poured out for you.  
Body of Christ, Amen, Blood of Christ, Amen,  
Body of Christ, Amen, Blood of Christ, Amen.

**Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you have left us a memorial of your suffering and death. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Stripping of the Altar**

*Lights are dimmed as the altar is stripped.*

*As the altar is stripped, the following chants are sung by the congregation*

**Hymn** “Jesus, remember me”

*Taizé*

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

The first line of musical notation is in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of a vocal line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

*(Repeat as needed)*

The second line of musical notation is identical to the first line, including the key signature, time signature, and lyrics. It ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
 No - ho pū, no - ho mai me ia'u, ki - a'i a

pray pu - le, watch kiai and pray. a pule.

**Matthew 26:30-40**

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Then Jesus said to them, “You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,

‘I will strike the shepherd,  
 and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’

But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.” Peter said to him, “Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.” Jesus said to him, “Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.” Peter said to him, “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.” And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.” Then



he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray.”

*The vigil candles are lit as the following hymn is sung.*

### **Hymn: “Go to Dark Gethsemane”**

Go to dark Gethsemane, ye who feel the tempter’s power;  
Your Redeemer’s conflict see; watch with Him one bitter hour;  
Turn not from His griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned;  
O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs His soul sustained!  
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn of Him to bear the cross.

Calv’ry’s mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at His feet,  
Mark the miracle of time, God’s own sacrifice complete;  
“It is finished!” hear him cry; Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

*The Pascal Candle is carried out of the Sanctuary as everyone processes out to the Meditation Garden.*

### **Night Vigil**

*Symbolic of the disciples waiting with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, we are invited to keep awake and pray through the night.*

### **Vigil Meditation: Luke 22:39-53**

Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.” Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.” Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

While Jesus was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, “Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?” When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, “Lord, should we strike with the sword?” Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, “No more of this!” And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, “Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour—when darkness reigns.”

*The congregation is invited to depart in silence and keep vigil at home.*



*Our Paschal Triduum worship service —  
commemorating the central events of the Christian faith as one  
continuous commemoration and celebration over three days —  
continues tomorrow. See details in the Notices below.*



## NOTICES

### HOLY WEEK

Tomorrow, our **Good Friday** service begins outdoors (weather permitting) where we gather on the patio to walk our **Stations of the Cross** through the woods behind the church and up the hill to the cross in our Meditation Garden. We then move indoors to join new arrivals for the **Solemn Liturgy of the Passion**, which includes the reading of John’s account of the Passion of Christ.

On **Saturday**, March 30, at **1 p.m.**, join the **“Flowering of the Church for Easter”** to prepare for the most important day of the church calendar: celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord. All flowers will be provided, but if you have any you’d like to donate, by all means bring them.

Holy Week concludes on Easter Sunday, March 31, when we celebrate **The Sunday of the Resurrection** with special music by the Good Shepherd choir. Join us at our normal service time at 11 a.m.

### **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. **You may donate throughout 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 use one of the pre-marked envelopes in the Narthex for your cash donations. For more information see: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/good-friday-offering/>

### **OUR COMMUNITY**



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. **Our March donation** of eggs, meat, and canned, dried and boxed foods totalled **82 pounds**. On March 27, Lois Tapscott and Rose Holden distributed 36 “to-go” meals. April donations are due by the 23<sup>rd</sup> and boxed meals will be given out on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Our Saturday morning **Meditation Walks** resume next month. The theme is “**Walking in the Spirit of Spring.**” We’ll meet at 10:30 a.m. on April 13, May 18 and June 15 at the pavilion at the Shenandoah University River Campus at Cool Springs. In April, we’ll be “**Walking in the Newness of Life.**”



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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:** Ann Bush and her family (Ray's sister); Craig Eney and Mayo Brown (Andrea's brother-in-law and father); 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); 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 and 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:

Norman H. Macoy (Kelly's father-in-law), Sep. 30, 1936 – Feb. 22, 2024;  
Russell Bush (Ray's brother-in-law), July 15, 1926-March 17, 2024;  
Matthew Charles Iber (Rick's friend), Jan. 10, 1965 – Jan. 14, 2024; and  
Thomas Scott (Martha Clark's cousin), died March 24, 2024.

**To add someone to or remove someone from the prayer list, send an email to [prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org](mailto: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.