Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church We are so glad you are here or joining us online!

CALENDAR

SUN Apr 14 The Third Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal with Janet Locklear

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Rob Banse

WED Apr 17 Fertilizing the prayer and pollinator gardens, 11 a.m.

Vestry Meeting, 4:30 to 6 p.m. THU Apr 18

SUN Apr 21 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Choir Rehearsal with Janet Locklear 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Martha Clark 11:00 a.m. Lay Readers: Penelope Yungblut & Ray Ewing

LEM/Prayers: Cindy Ingram | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Musicians: Janet Locklear & Rose Holden

Book reading by Josette Keelor of her novel-in-progress 12:45 p.m.

TUES Apr 23 Last day to bring FISH donations to church

WED Apr 24 To-go Meals distribution at FISH

SUN Apr 28 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with The Rev. Deborah Rutter

> Lay Reader: Cindy Ingram | LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor Musicians: Tim Hall & Rose Holden Zoomer: Judy Hall

SUN May 5 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist, with The Rev. Deborah Rutter 11:00 a.m.

Lay Reader: Eileen Cawood | LEM/Prayers: Tim Hall

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 TWO

Celebrant: The Rev. Rob Banse Lay Reader: Josette Keelor | LEM/Prayers: Cindy Ingram Musicians: Janet Locklear & Rose Holden Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude "Holy, holy, holy"

John B. Dykes

Opening Hymn 180 "He is risen, he is risen"

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

Praise **Hymn 178** "Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord" *vv. 1-4*

Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4

Said responsively by half verse

Cum invocarem

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; * you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; * when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices * and put your trust in the LORD.

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, *

more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *

for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

The Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

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People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 192 "This joyful Eastertide"

Then, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rob Banse

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:
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,

and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 193 "That Easter Day with joy was bright"

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For 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). 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 for Holy Comforter, Richmond; Holy Cross, Dunn Loring; Episcopal High School, Alexandria; and St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, Alexandria. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer* we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia. 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 and all who have died, remembering especially Russell Bush and Thomas Scott, 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 Christ 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 "In Christ Alone"

Keith Getty

~ The Choir, accompanied by Janet & Rose

The People stand for the Doxology

WLP 822 "Through north and south"

Laast uns erfreuen

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Enriching Our Worship

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 our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

WLP 785

[Spanish] Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora! Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.

[English] Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or 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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover Hymnal S-154
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, 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 <u>virtual</u> 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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God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 212 "Awake, arise, lift up your voice"

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

NOTICES

PRAYER LIST

In this post-Resurrection Sunday season of renewal, we are asking everyone to review their submissions to our Friends and Family Prayer List. Starting this month, we are implementing a quarterly review of the prayer list in an attempt to keep it meaningful and manageable. Please email prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org to add or remove someone from the prayer list. When submitting a name, please include your relationship to the person, the number of weeks that prayer is requested (or write: "until removed"), and any other relevant information.

Asking for prayer is an act of faith and should be made for those with whom you have a personal relationship. That means keeping in touch with them and actively spiritually mentoring them and/or following up on their condition and care. The goal is to have a congregational prayer list that is a meaningful tool to enhance our personal prayers.

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

Thanks to everyone for your generous donations to our Good Friday Offering, which provides critical support to the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Among many things, it gives aid to the Ahli Arab Episcopal Hospital in Gaza City, which we helped last fall when the Gaza war began. We raised \$1,000 and with your Vestry authorized \$500 in matching funds, we will be sending \$1,500 to support this worthy cause!

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. **Donations for this month are due by Tuesday, April 23** and boxed meals will be given out on Wednesday, April 24.

COMING UP

Sunday, April 21 — For our special celebration of Earth Day, we will be starting our service outside, weather permitting, in the Prayer and Meditation Garden, where we'll have a Litany for Creation. Also, our occasional Good Shepherd choir will be offering more special music next Sunday, as well. Rehearsal with Janet Locklear will be at 10 a.m. that morning.

Sunday, April 21 — Our very own budding author, Josette Keelor, will be reading a selection from her novel-in-progress during the fellowship time after the service. Be the first to hear the story of Lottie Withers and the Haunted Trail, a middle-grade mystery novel about a 10-year-old girl who gathers a group of diverse fifth graders to plan a Halloween hayride while also trying to solve the mystery of Luke, an 11-year-old who keeps showing up at Lottie's clubhouse but only offers cryptic details about his family and where he lives. Along the way, Lottie must learn how not to sacrifice her own needs while trying to help others.

Sunday, April 28 — Our last couple of 5th Sundays, when we normally have healing services, were preempted by other special seasonal worship (Christmas Lessons & Carols, and Easter). So on this Sunday we'll be having Holy Eucharist & Healing, with Rev. Deb Rutter and guitar music with Tim Hall and Rose Holden.

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PRAYERS

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

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In thanksgiving for the lives of:

Russell Bush (Ray's brother-in-law), July 15, 1926-March 17, 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

The Church: For Justin, Archbishop; for Michael, Presiding Bishop; for Mark and Gayle, our Bishops; and for Debbie, Martha and Rob, our Supply Clergy.