

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia

And they
DEVOTED themselves
to the apostles teaching
THE FELLOWSHIP
breaking of bread
and THE PRAYERS and
AWE came upon them all
and THE LORD ADDED
TO THEIR NUMBERS
Day BY Day
THOSE who were
being SAVED

ACTS 2:42-47

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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

Guidelines for indoor worship:

Masks are now optional. Masks and hand sanitizer are available at the welcome table in the Narthex, and sanitizer is available at other locations in the Sanctuary.



CALENDAR

- SUN Apr 30** **The 4th Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist & Healing Liturgy**
with The Rev. Martha Clark
Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall
Keyboardist: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Tim Hall
- SAT May 6** **FISH Community Table – 9 to 11 a.m.**
in the parking lot and downstairs
- SUN May 7** **The 5th Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Martha Clark
- SUN May 14** **The 6th Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
- THU May 18** **Wilderness Church Webinar (free)**
4:00 p.m. see NOTICES for more information
- SUN May 21** **The 7th Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with Josette Keelor
- SUN May 28** **The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Rob Banse
- SUN Jun 4** **The 1st Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deborah Rutter

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

INCLUDING A PUBLIC SERVICE OF HEALING

Celebrants: The Rev. Martha Clark
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Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: "Like a River Glorious"

by James Mountain

Opening **Hymn 376** "Joyful, joyful, we adore the!"

Beethoven: Hymn to Joy

The Word of God

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

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

The Celebrant prays

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

Praise **Hymn 178** "Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord"

v. 1 & 4

Alleluia No. 1

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (*The people may be seated*)

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

The First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

Said responsively by half verse

Dominus regit me

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; *

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from the First Epistle of Peter.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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Gradual **Hymn 708** “Savior, like a shepherd lead us” *Sicilian Mariners*

Then, [all standing,] 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 10:1-10

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow

him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*The People may be seated*)

The Sermon

Rev. Martha Clark

A LITANY OF HEALING

The Celebrant says to the people

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together pray the Collect for St. Luke

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Celebrant continues the Litany with this bidding

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The People audibly or silently name those for whom they are interceding.

A Person appointed then leads the Litany

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

A period of silence follows.

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

For 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 Buck Mountain, Earlysville; Christ Church, Alexandria; and St. Andrew's, Arlington. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Episcopal Church.

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; and 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. For Bob Zidek, Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, Nancy Kelley, David Carter, Val Marsh, the Adamson Family, Jorie & Richard Martin, the Desamparado family, Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver, David Aikman, Michael Mohn, Kathleen Franz, Adele & Richard Sauer, Judith Refo, Noah Austin, Roberta Adams, Meredith and her daughter June Harmon, Pat Pearson, Virginia and her daughter Savannah, Shirley Russell, Pat Wolcott & her family, Virginia Matthis, Dee Buzzoni, Geraldine Kolowski, Lori Lilly Timmons, Sam Myers, and John West.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We pray for all who have died, remembering especially Aaron Matthis, Richard Wayne Butler, and the Rev. Alice Downing Davis, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:
And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life:
Heal us, and make us whole.

Let us pray.

A period of silence follows.

The Celebrant concludes the Prayers with the following Collect.

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant now invites all gathered to prepare themselves for the blessing of healing.

Healing Hymn (**WLP 775**) “Give thanks for life”

Sine nomine

The Celebrant continues

Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us;

Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.

The Celebrant says the following blessing for those who have been named

The Almighty Lord, who is a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and obey: Be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only Name under heaven given for health and salvation is the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The People then come forward and the Celebrant offers prayer for each person individually according to that person's need.

After all have been blessed the Celebrant offers a concluding collect and then invites the People to stand.

The Peace (*The People stand*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings and Announcements (*Please be seated*)

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem “Amazing Grace”

Arranged by Chris Tomlin

The People stand for the Doxology

WLP 822 “Through north and south”

Laast uns erfreuen

The Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer C

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.**

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 corazón te adora!***

Mi corazón 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,

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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Fraction Anthem: Be known to us

WLP 875

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 personal devotional that can be prayed at any time to express a desire to receive Holy Communion when circumstances prevent from actually receiving it.

The Act of Reception

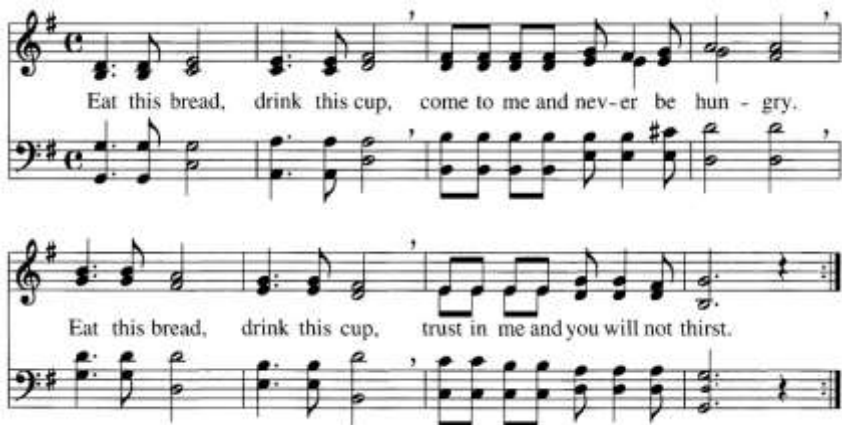
*The Celebrant invites the following prayer to be said by all **virtual** participants.*

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”

Taizé



After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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Eternal God, heavenly Father,

**you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 493 “O for a thousand tongues to sing” *Azmon*

The Dismissal

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



NOTICES

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect canned and dry goods, fresh produce, and paper products, for **FISH** to help the needy in our midst here in Clarke County. In April, we only donated 27 pounds of food as well as diapers and toiletries. Let's step it up in May and go for 100 pounds!

Going forward, the FISH Community Table mobile food pantry will distribute from Good Shepherd on the first Saturday of every month. **Our next hosting is on May 6 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.** Please talk to Lois to help.

Rev. Deb is having arthroscopic knee surgery on May 5th.

GOOD FRIDAY GIVING

Heartfelt appreciation to everyone who generously contributed to the **Good Friday Offering** to support the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. You donated \$435 and, with matching church funds, we will be sending a **donation of \$870** to the Diocesan Missionary Society. Many Thanks!

BISHOP VISIT

We were overjoyed to welcome **The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris** this past Sunday. Bishop Harris spent many hours with us, treating us to a wonderful sermon and an asperging (sprinkling) with holy water that she prepared, by prayer and blessing, at the beginning of the service. She joined us for lunch afterwards, answering our questions and

sharing many stories. **Thank you to everyone who contributed to her Bishop's Discretionary fund. We raised \$355, which will be forwarded to the diocese on her behalf. Wow!**

GIVING

Our Sunday and special services offering is collected in the plate by the entrance. You may also send your donations by mail to the address on the back page. **Thank you for your generosity.**

OUR FACILITY

Good Shepherd is available for weddings, other special events, and regular meetings. Send an email to office@goodshepherdblueмонт.org for more information.

Our leaking outdoor faucet has been fixed and a new outdoor faucet added on the east side of the building, near the Prayer and Meditation Garden.

WORSHIPPING WILDERNESS STYLE

May 18, 4:00 p.m. on Zoom

You're invited to learn about an exciting model for worship that attracts newcomers. Father Pete Nunally will share how "Wilderness Church" has brought growth and new perspectives to St. Mary's, Arlington. Originally designed to provide safe worship during the pandemic, St. Mary's Wilderness Church has become a regular, twice-monthly service with over 60 attendees gathering at a local park on the river. To learn more about taking worship into the wild, join this FREE webinar hosted by the diocesan Creation Care Committee, sign-up here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wilderness-church-webinar-tickets-624365362607>



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Treasurer: Cindy Ingram

Junior Warden: Tim Hall

Register: Janet Locklear

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: For those in Ukraine and those who have fled Ukraine, the homeless across our nation, and the victims of mass shootings and gun violence that continue unabated. For Bob Zidek, Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, David Carter, Nancy Kelley, Val Marsh, the Adamson Family (in Russia), Jorie & Richard Martin, the Desamparado family (Cindy's cousins in the Philippines), 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's mother), Noah Austin (Tim Ingram's nephew), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend), Meredith and her daughter June Harmon (Cindy's friends), Pat Pearson, Virginia and her daughter Savannah, Shirley Russell (longtime Bluemont resident), Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), Virginia Matthis (Martha Clark's friend), Dee Buzzoni, Geraldine Kolowski, Lori Lilly Timmons, Sam Myers & John West (Darlene's friends & family).

In thanksgiving for the lives of **Aaron Matthis** (grandson of Martha Clark's friend) who died this week; **Richard Wayne Butler** (Martha Hayes' friend) who died April 6, 2023 in Berryville; and the **Rev. Alice Downing Davis**, a priest of the Diocese of Virginia, who served at Good Shepherd in the 1990's and died April 3, 2023 in Newport News.

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

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