

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 21, 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 May 21 The 7th Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Josette Keelor

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Guitar: Tim Hall

THU May 25 Vestry Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (Live at Good Shepherd and Virtual, via Zoom)

SUN May 28 The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

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

Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | LEM/Prayers: Tim Hall

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboard: Janet Locklear

SAT Jun 3 FISH Community Table – 9 to 11 a.m.

in the parking lot and downstairs

SUN Jun 4 The 1st Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

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

Lay Reader/LEM: Cindy Ingram | Prayers: Lee Ruddle

Zoomer: Penni Tidwell | Keyboard: Janet Locklear

SUN Jun 11 The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Cindy Ingram

Lay Reader: Josette Keelor

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboard: Eileen Cawood

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.



DAILY MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO

Officiant: Josette Keelor

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | Zoomer: Judy Hall | Guitar: Tim Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: **WLP 806** “If you believe and I believe” *Traditional, Zimbabwe*

Opening Sentence for Easter

BCP p. 77

(The People stand)

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Officiant On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice
and be glad in it.

The Officiant and People continue with the Opening Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Opening **Hymn LEVAS 60** “How Great Thou Art”

Swedish Folk Melody

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 79

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through
our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the
power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP p. 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

**Glorify to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Alleluia!

The Antiphon (Officiant)

Alleluia. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven: Come let us adore
him. Alleluia

Gloria “Glorify Your Name”

by Donna Adkins

Father, we love you, we praise you, we adore you.

Refrain:

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

Glorify your name, glorify your name,

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

Jesus, we love you, we praise you, we adore you.

[Refrain]

Spirit, we love you, we praise you, we adore you.

[Refrain]

The Collect of the Day

The Officiant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Officiant

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **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 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and

Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36 (*The People stand*)
Exsurgat Deus

Said antiphonally by half verse

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.

34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

35 Ascribe power to God; *
**his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.**

36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
**the God of Israel giving strength and power to his
people!
Blessed be God!**

(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from the first letter of Peter.

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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

People **Thanks be to God**

(The People stand)

Gradual **Hymn 495** “Hail, thou once despised Jesus!”

In Babilone

(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying

A Reading from the Gospel According to John.

The Gospel: John 17:1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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People **Thanks be to God**

The Homily

Josette Keelor

The Apostles' Creed (*The People stand*)

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Officiant and People together, all standing

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer **Hymn 693** “Just as I am, without one plea”

Woodworth

vv. 1,2,4,5

The Prayers

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(Please be seated or kneel)

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

The People may be seated

**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.

Suffrages A and The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Prayer Intercessor and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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 St. James's, Richmond; and St. Stephen's, Richmond. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for the Church of the Province of the West Indies. 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.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

For those suffering 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 Priscilla Clark & Martha Clark, Bob Zidek & Bryan 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 in Russia, 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 thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, 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 Prayer Intercessor may be seated

The Officiant may add other Collects and finish with a collect for mission, before inviting the people to pray the General Thanksgiving together.

The General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

**we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

We bless you for our creation, preservation,

and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love

in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,

that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up ourselves to your service,

and by walking before you

in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Officiant prays **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Grace (*The People stand*)

Ephesians 3:20, 21

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen**

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings and Announcements

The Offertory

The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture.

Please leave your offering in the plate on the Narthex table.

Offertory Anthem “You Are My All In All”

Josette & Tim

The People stand for the Doxology

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

Closing Prayer

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

An Easter Blessing

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Officiant 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. We've put shelves in the narthex for your donations to bring them more prominence. **Let's step it up in May and go for 100 pounds!** Donations in May are due by the 28th.

Going forward, the **FISH Community Table mobile food pantry** will distribute from Good Shepherd on the first Saturday of every month. Thank you to everyone who volunteered on Saturday morning, May 6, for another successful event. **Our next hosting is June 3.** Please talk to Lois to help out with FISH in any way.

FELLOWSHIP

New Good Shepherd directories are available as hard copies in the Narthex. If you'd like an electronic copy, please tell Tim Hall.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Forward Day-by-Day booklets for May, June, and July are available in the Narthex. Please take one for yourself and one to share.

This summer Good Shepherd is offering **The Creation Care Bible Challenge: A 50 Day Bible Challenge**. This short book, created by Forward Movement, contains daily bible readings, brief reflections, and follow up questions exploring our relationship with God the Creator and His Creation. It's meant for individual daily use and reflection. We will have a weekly group discussion to explore together what we have learned. The **kickoff to the Challenge will be Monday June 12th at 5pm** at the church and via zoom. Please contact Judy Hall (judyrefo@gmail.com or 540-454-2148) to reserve your spot and your free book, provided by the church.

OUR FACILITY

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

We are in the early stages of planning a **Prayer & Meditation Garden outdoor dedication** for the Fall and would love your help with the planning and celebration. We'd like to try to include the community as much as possible and Bishop Gayle told us she'd love to be with us for it, if her schedule allows. Please talk to Cindy or Tim.

Our leaking outdoor faucet has been fixed and a new outdoor faucet added on the east side of the building, near the Meditation Garden. For our other gardens, we'd be happy to accept **donations of divided bulbs or perennials**, if you have any to offer! Talk to Janet or Tim.

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.**



PRAYERS

Pray for our neighbors and for ways we can serve the community.

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

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