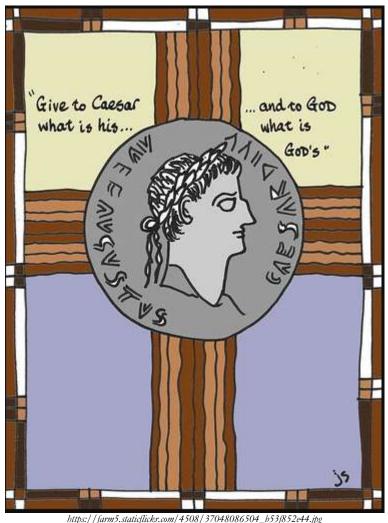
Good Shepherd **Episcopal Church**



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The 21st Sunday after Pentecost October 22, 2023

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

UPDATED guidelines for indoor worship:

Masks are optional and are available at the welcome table in the Narthex. Hand sanitizer is available at many locations in the church. We are sharing communion wine from the common cup. If you would prefer not to partake, you may make a sign of the cross with the host over the cup as it passes. Or intinction may be done by the LEM for you.

*** CALENDAR ***

WED Oct 25 FISH - Good Shepherd food donation delivery

THU Oct 26 Prayer and Meditation Garden help, 9-11 a.m.

SUN Oct 29 The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing with The Rev. Deb Rutter

LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall

Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

SUN Nov 5 The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Tim Hall

Lay Reader & Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

Zoomer: Judy Hall:

SUN Nov 12 The 24th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Martha Clark

LEM & Prayers: Cindy Ingram | Zoomer: Tim Hall Lay Reader: Lee Ruddle | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

SUN Nov 19 The 25th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Lay Reader: Josette Keelor

Zoomer: Tim Hall | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

1:00 p.m. Community Harvest Potluck/Luncheon

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. Martha Clark
LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall
Lay Readers: Penelope Yungblut & Ray Ewing
Zoomer & Music Leader: Tim Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude "Prayer of St. Francis"

Sebastian Temple

Opening Hymn 372 "Praise to the living God!"

Leoni

Opening Acclamation

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.**

The following hymn is sung, all standing

Gloria "Glorify Your Name"

by Donna Adkins

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

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.

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

Glorify your name, glorify your name,

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

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

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

Glorify your name, glorify your name,

Glorify your name in all the Earth.

Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying
A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The Old Testament: Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped

to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes,

to open doors before him-and the gates shall not be closed:

I will go before you and level the mountains,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places,

so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96:1-9, (10-13)

Said antiphonally by half verse

Cantate Domino

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; * sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; * proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations * and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; * he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; * but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *

 Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; * ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; * bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; * let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10 [Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! * he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *
 let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, * when he comes to judge the earth.

13 He will judge the world with righteousness * and the peoples with his truth.]

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 391 "Before the Lord's eternal throne"

Then, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Martha Clark.

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 LEVAS 72 "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

American Folk Song

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

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

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For the people of Israel, Maui, Morocco, and Libya. For those in Ukraine and those who have fled Ukraine. 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 Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers. 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 Dane Toler (Lee's spouse), Pierce Locklear (Janet's step grandson), Bert Bonavita (Penni's cousin), Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, David Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson family in Russia, Jorie & Richard Martin, Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends), David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Michael Mohn & Ralph Bayfield (previous clergy), Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Adele & Richard Sauer (Cindy's parents), Judith Refo (Judy's mother), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend), Pat Pearson, Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and Geraldine Kolowski, Sam Myers, John West & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family). 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 Aquia, Stafford; Christ Church (Cunningham Parish), Millwood; Cople Parish, Hague; and Westover, Charles City. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Korea. 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 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 Leader continues

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem "Coming to the Table"

Phillip Bailey

The People stand for the Doxology

(The people remain seated)

Hymn 380 v.3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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: [WLP 858]

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The People may be seated or kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [______ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 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 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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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 594 "God of grace and God of glory" Cwm Rhondda

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*** NOTICES ***

OUR CHURCH'S RESPONSE TO THE VIOLENCE IN THE HOLY LAND

We've all seen the images and heard the heartrending stories of the horrors unfolding in the Holy Land. We've had heartfelt messages from Bishop Stevenson and Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry. This past Monday The Episcopal Church invited us to a Day of Prayer and Fasting for the Holy Land on Tuesday. And then Tuesday ended with the horrific explosion and loss of life at the Anglican Episcopal Ahli Arab Hospital in north Gaza. We wring our hands and pray for peace. What more can we do while so many are putting their lives on the line to provide humanitarian assistance?

After Rev. Martha's exhortation last Sunday, that we might consider giving to a worthy cause to help ease the suffering and to support the

lights in the darkness, your vestry voted to undertake a fundraiser for American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem. This organization provides direct support to the very diocese that administers that hospital. As stated in a recent Episcopal News Service article, this "Anglican hospital is among the facilities struggling to respond to the growing humanitarian crisis in Gaza". And now, even more so.

For the next two Sundays we will be collecting funds to support the Ahli Arab Hospital. The Vestry has authorized matching, from church funds, any donations made by congregants, up to a total of \$500. Please make your donation check out to Good Shepherd with "Ahli Arab Hospital" or "Gaza relief" or something similar in the memo line. And thank you for your thoughtfulness.

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect canned and dry goods, fresh produce, and paper products for **FISH of Clarke County**. In September, we donated 57 lbs of canned and dry food, four dozen eggs and

12 bars of bath soap. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously. Our FISH collection delivery for this month is this coming Wednesday. Contact Lois Tapscott to help with anything related to FISH.

ANIMAL AWARENESS MONTH AT GOOD SHEPHERD

In recognition of **St. Francis of Assisi**, whose life and example is celebrated in the church on Oct. 4, for the whole month of October we are collecting donations of dog and cat food and other items, to support the Clarke County Animal Shelter in Berryville. There's still time to give. After church next Sunday, **Oct. 29**, we will **deliver the collected items to the Animal Shelter**, where we will offer prayers and blessings for animals and staff. Thank you to everyone who helped to make yesterday's free community breakfast, blessing of the animals, and chestnut sprout hunt a success.

BLUE RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

- Blood Drive at the Fire Hall, Nov 18, 8am to Noon
- Breakfast with Santa, Dec 9, 8am to Noon

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Rev. Martha Clark will be helping lead a **Spiritual Practices Retreat next weekend, October 27-29** at the Claggett Center in rural Adamstown, MD, less than an hour's drive from Good Shepherd. See the flyer in the Narthex for more information. Visit the Claggett Center web page for more details and to register. All meals, from dinner on Friday through lunch on Sunday, and retreat registration are included with the price of your accommodations.

** PRAYERS **

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

Friends and Family: For Dane Toler (Lee's spouse), Pierce Locklear (Janet's step grandson), Bert Bonavita (Penni's cousin), Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila Tapscott, Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, David Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson family in Russia, Jorie & Richard Martin, Dusty Bailey & Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends), David Aikman (Charlene's husband), Michael Mohn & Ralph Bayfield (previous clergy), Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother), Adele & Richard Sauer (Cindy's parents), Judith Refo (Judy's mother), Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend), Pat Pearson, Pat Wolcott & her family (in-laws of Josette), and Geraldine Kolowski, Sam Myers, John West & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

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

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