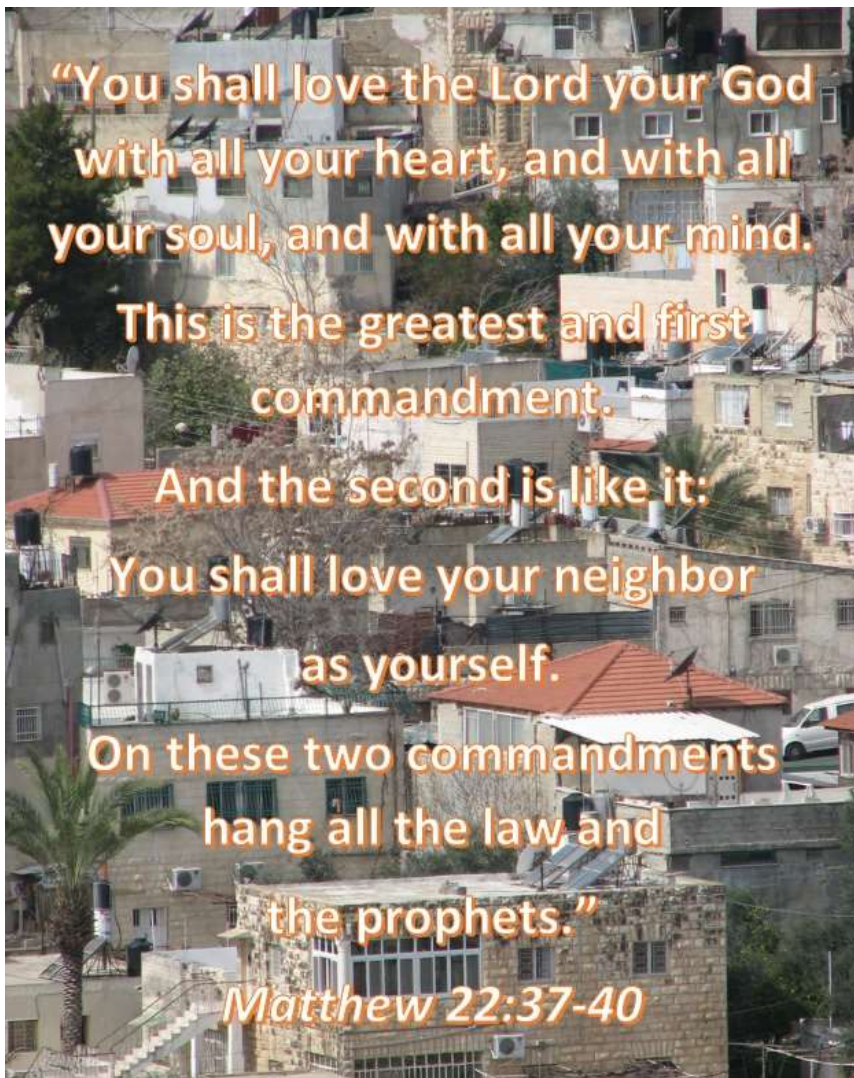


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



**“You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all
your soul, and with all your mind.**

**This is the greatest and first
commandment.**

And the second is like it:

**You shall love your neighbor
as yourself.**

**On these two commandments
hang all the law and
the prophets.”**

Matthew 22:37-40

“Jerusalem Roof Tops” – Deb Rutter, 2010

The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
October 29, 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 can make a sign of the cross with the host over the cup as it passes or have the LEM intinct your wafer for you.

❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ CALENDAR ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖

- SAT Nov 4** *Turn your clocks tonight before bed*
Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. Nov. 5
- SUN Nov 5** **The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer celebrating All Saints' Day**
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**
- SUN Nov 26** **The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deb Rutter
LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | Keyboardist: 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.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Celebrants: The Rev. Deborah Rutter

LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall | Lay Readers: Lee Ruddle

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboardist: Janet Locklear

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude “Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness”

Johann Crueger

Opening **Hymn 680** “O God, our help in ages past”

St. Anne

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

O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The following hymn is sung, all standing

Hymnal S-280

***Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.***

***Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.***

***Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.***

***For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.***

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, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 Leviticus.

The Old Testament: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

*Said responsively by half verse**

Beatus vir qui non abiit

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

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

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only

the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 517** “How lovely is thy dwelling place”

Brother James’ Air

Then, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew.

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

The Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,

‘Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet’?”

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

A LITANY OF HEALING

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

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.

The Lay Eucharistic Minister then leads the Litany

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.

Gracious God, we give you thanks for your beloved Jesus Christ, in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion upon all for whom we pray, and strengthen us to be your instruments of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Minister and People

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

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

Healing **Hymn 508** “Breathe on me, Breath of God”

Nova Vita

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 Celebrant then offers prayer for each person individually according to that person's need, with lifting up of hands.

After all have been blessed the Celebrant offers this or another concluding collect
May the God who goes before you through desert places by night and by day be your companion and guide; may your journey be with the saints; may the Holy Spirit be your strength, and Christ your clothing of light, in whose name we pray.. **Amen.**

and then invites the People to stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements *(Please be seated)*

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem: "Kyrie eleison, ninefold" *Plainsong, 12th cent*
 Sung by the Good Shepherd Choir
(The people remain seated)

The People stand for the Doxology

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

The Great Thanksgiving

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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. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon

the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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: [Hymnal S-125]

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest. 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,

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 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 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 551** “Rise up, ye saints of God”

Festal Song

The Dismissal

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

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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

As the escalating attacks and counter attacks, both physical and verbal, in this conflict in the Holy Land continue, our prayers and hearts must remain open to all who are suffering at this time. On Oct. 19th, two days following the explosion at the Anglican Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby took a short pastoral visit to Jerusalem to offer solidarity to the local Anglican church and to Archbishop Hosam Naoum, who leads the Anglican province that includes the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. We must do the same. The one true, loving God known through Jesus Christ is needed at this time and in this place.

Good Shepherd has undertaken a fundraiser for ***American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem***, which directly supports Anglican hospitals, schools, and relief facilities throughout the region and the Middle East. Yes, one of the benefits of being a part of the global Anglican Communion is that we are everywhere.

Today is our final Sunday collecting funds to support the Anglican Episcopal Al-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 “Diocese of Jerusalem” in the memo line. And thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

GOOD SHEPHERD DELIVERS TO CLARKE CO. ANIMAL SHELTER

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 have been celebrating all of nature including our animal friends at

the Clarke County Animal Shelter in Berryville. After the service today, we will **deliver the collected items to the Animal Shelter**, where we will offer prayers and blessings for animals and staff. **Please join us after refreshments for this evangelistic outreach!**

CELEBRATING ALL SAINTS' DAY

Bring photos of your dearly departed to grace our All Saints altar next Sunday. And please email names of those you've lost in the last 12 months to prayerlist@goodshepherdblueмонт.org so they may be included in our special prayers next Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR 2024

This week many of you have received our 2024 Stewardship letter. If you have not received a packet, see Judy Hall or pick up a packet in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider your gifts of time, talent, and treasure for next year and mail in your responses or put them in the offering plate before or on our "in-gathering" on November 26th – Christ, the King Sunday.

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to collect canned and dry goods, fresh produce, and paper products for **FISH of Clarke County**. In October, we donated 72 pounds of food, including five dozen eggs and lots of canned and boxed foods, as well as drinks. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously. On Wednesday, Lois Tapscott and Penni Tidwell prepared and brought to FISH 26 boxed meals and lots of pet food. All the meals (ham & cheese sliders or quiche, fruit cup, pastry bar and chips) were distributed, and small bags of dry cat and dog food, cans of wet cat food, and dog and cat treats were also given out. **Our FISH collection delivery for next month will be Nov. 22. Contact Lois to help with anything related to FISH.**

BLUE RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

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

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: For Dane Toler (Lee's spouse), 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

For the people of Israel, Gaza, 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 Shenandoah Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers.

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for All Saints-Sharon Chapel, Alexandria, and Grace, Kilmarnock

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Melanesia.



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