

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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The Last Sunday after Pentecost:
Christ the King

November 26, 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 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.

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WED Nov 29 FISH Food Delivery and To-go meals distribution

SUN Dec 3 The First Sunday of Advent

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Rob Banse
LEM & Prayers: Josette Keelor | Zoomer: Judy Hall
Lay Readers: Penelope Yungblut and Ray Ewing
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

SUN Dec 10 The Second Sunday of Advent: Lessons & Carols

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
LEM: Judy Hall | Lay Readers: Many
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Tim Hall

SUN Dec 17 The Third Sunday of Advent

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Martha Clark
LEM: Tim Hall
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | Prayers: Lee Ruddle
Keyboardist: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Judy Hall

SUN Dec 24 The Fourth Sunday of Advent and

4:00 p.m. Festival Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist

with the Rev. Martha Clark, Celebrant
and the Rev. Deborah Rutter, Homilist
Lay Readers: Penelope Yungblut and Ray Ewing
LEM and Crucifer: Josette Keelor
Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

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. Deborah Rutter

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

Zoomer: Judy Hall | Keyboardist: Eileen Cawood

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude “Come, Thou Almighty King” *Moscow (Felice de Giardini)*

Opening **Hymn 460** “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!” *vv. 1,3,4* *Hymnal*

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 *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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

The Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns

until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95:1-7a

Said antiphonally by half verse

Venite, exultemus

- 1 **Come, let us sing to the LORD; ***
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving ***
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 **For the LORD is a great God, ***
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 **In his hand are the caverns of the earth, ***
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 **The sea is his, for he made it, ***
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 **Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, ***
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 **For he is our God,**
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

The Epistle: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to

which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 616** “Hail to the Lord’s anointed”

Waldvoegelein

vv. 1-4

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 25:31-46

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And

when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Deborah Rutter

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 609 “Where cross the crowded ways of life”

vv. 1,2,4,5

Gardiner

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For Dane Toler (Lee’s spouse), Bert Bonavita (Penni’s cousin), Judson Hardy (Janet’s father), Penelope Yungblut, Martha Hayes, Sheila and Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddell, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, Jeanette Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson family in Russia, Shirley Grey, 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), Tara Refo (Judy’s cousin), 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 people in their daily life and work;

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

For the homeless nearby and across our nation. For the victims of mass shootings and gun violence that continue unabated. For the safety and freedom from theft for Pine Grove and Retreat residents and Appalachian Trail hikers. For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For those suffering from climate change and natural disasters. For migrants and refugees and all who are exploited. For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

For all people suffering from conflicts throughout the world. May they find a way to peace. For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the *Diocesan Cycle of Prayer*, we give thanks for God's Creation and those who care for it. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion). 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

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem “Dona nobis pacem”
(*The people remain seated*)

Traditional Canon

The People stand for the Doxology

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

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP, p.367

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 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 **WLP 779** “The church of Christ in every age” *Dunedin*

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 494** “Crown him with many crowns”

Diademata

vv. 1, 2, 3 and 5

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR 2024

THIS SUNDAY, CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY, IS OUR

IN-GATHERING SUNDAY

Please bring your pledges of the Time and Talent “**Works and Wisdom**” booklet, and “**2024 Pledge**” card for the pledge basket this Sunday. Extra copies are in the Narthex if you need them. Please prayerfully consider your gifts of time,

talent, and treasure for next year and where the Holy Spirit is leading us. You may mail in your responses, or bring them to the church until the 4 PM Christmas Eve service on Dec. 24th if you like.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH COOKIE TINS

We have about 90 tins and boxes to fill! This is our Advent project for the church. We started this effort when the churches were closed due to COVID and we wanted people to join us online for Christmas Eve Service. Today we provide homemade cookies and other Christmas goodies with our invitation. Volunteer bakers get ready! We will need about 45 dozen cookies. For sanitary reasons please bag your baked goods into 6 items per bag at home before bringing them to the church refrigerator. We would like to have enough baked goods by Dec. 10th to start filling boxes and delivering Dec. 11th through Dec. 20th. This year we will be delivering to Pine Grove village and asking parishioners to share with their neighbors and friends.

FISH OF CLARKE COUNTY



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. **Our next FISH collection delivery is Nov. 29. Contact Lois Tapscott to help with anything related to FISH.**

BLUE RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

Breakfast with Santa, Dec 2, 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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 and Karen Tapscott, Lee Ruddle, Tim Ingram, George & Debbie Rutter, Jeanette Carter, Nancy Kelley, the Adamson family in Russia, Shirley Grey, 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), Tara Refo (Judy's cousin), 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).

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