Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The 21st Sunday after Pentecost October 13, 2024

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

CALENDAR

SUN Oct 13 The 21st Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, with Tim Hall

THU Oct 17 Vestry Meeting, 4:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

SAT Oct 19 Meditation Walk, 10:30 a.m. to noon at Cool Springs

with Penni Tidwell & Rose Holden (see Notices)

Celebration of Life for Caroline Mowe

2 p.m. at Good Shepherd

SUN Oct 20 The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with The Rev Cathy Tibbetts

LEM/Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell Lay Readers: Janet Locklear & Josette Keelor Musicians: Janet Locklear & Rose Holden

SAT Oct 26 Celebration of Life for Sheila Tapscott

2 p.m. at Good Shepherd

SUN Oct 27 The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with The Rev Cathy Tibbetts

LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Lay Readers: Cindy Ingram & Lee Ruddle Musicians: Rose Holden & Tim Hall

WED Oct 30 Love God, Love God's World

6:00 p.m. "Vision for Right Relationship" (see Notices)

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: Tim Hall

Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle Musician: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Judy Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: "Then Sings my Soul" Swedish Melody

Opening Sentence and Prayer

Psalm 96:11-12

(The People stand)

Officiant Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let

the sea roar and all that fills it; let the field exult and

everything in it.

People Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you

Officiant Let us pray.

Loving God, Creator of all, we thank you for the beauty of Creation; show us, we pray, how to respect the fragile balance of life. Guide by your wisdom those who have power to care for or to destroy the environment, that by the decisions we make, life may be cherished and a good and fruitful earth be preserved for future generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Opening **Hymn 460** "Alleluia, sing to Jesus"

vv. 1, 3, 4

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people,

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(The People may be seated or kneel)

Officiant and People together

God of compassion, have mercy upon us.

Heal our relationship with all creation.

Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent for what we have done to harm them, and for what we have not done to help them.

Fill us with your Spirit,

that we may care for one another and for all creatures, according to your will and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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.**

Please stand

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant This is the day the Creator has made.

People Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Source, Wisdom, and Breath of Creation as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!

The Antiphon (Officiant)

The loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole Creation: Come let us adore the Creator.

The Venite (Psalm 95:1-7)

Hymnal S-35

The Lessons (The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Prophet Amos.

The Old Testament: Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the LORD and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

Said responsively by half verse

Domine, refugium

- 12 **S**o teach us to number our days * that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? * be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The Epistle: Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

(The People stand)
Gradual Hymn 684 "O, for a closer walk with God" vv. 1-3
(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying A Reading from Mark.

The Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then

come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Homily

Tim Hall

The Apostles' Creed

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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 385 "Many and Great, O God, are thy works"

The Prayers BCP p. 97

Officiant May God be with all Creation.

People And restore us to harmony.

Officiant Let us pray.

The People may be seated or kneel

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 with Creation

- 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. Heal your Creation, O God, and bless your offspring;
- R. Guide and sustain your creatures, now and always.
- V. Day by day your Creation blesses you;
- R. We join our voices to praise your Name for ever.

- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Unite us with all Creation in harmony;
- R. Have compassion on our failings, O God.
- V. Show us your love and sustaining power;
- R. For your creatures live and move only in you.
- 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. In you, O God, is our hope;
- R. And your Creation shall never hope in vain.

The Officiant prays the Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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The Lay Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For our friends and family: (see back page of bulletin).

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 an end to the rage and anger in this nation, that keeps us from sharing God's loving grace. For the safety and freedom from theft for Pine

Grove and Shenandoah 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 pray today for Calvary, Front Royal; Lynnwood Parish (Grace Memorial and St. Stephen's & the Good Shepherd), Port Republic and Elkton; St. James, Leesburg; and St. Paul's, Ivy. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines. 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 Sean, Presiding Bishop Elect, 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, remembering especially Priscilla Clark (Martha's mother), Ann Ewing Bush (Ray's sister), Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Caroline Marguerite Mowe (Ryan's niece), and George W. Rutter (Rev. Deb's husband), 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 Lay Leader may be seated.

The Officiant continues

Cursillo Prayer for the Holy Spirit:

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us – your faithful – and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful; grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy its consolation, through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Officiant invites the people to pray the General Thanksgiving together.

The General Thanksgiving

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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 People stand)

Thanks Hymn 375 "Give praise and glory unto God"

The Grace

Ephesians 1:8-10

With all wisdom and insight God has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. **Amen.**

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greetings and Announcements (Please be seated)

The Offertory

The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture

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O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

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

The People stand for the Doxology

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

Closing Prayer for the Cosmos

Creating God, your name is written on every leaf, every bird, every river, every stone, every living being. We praise and worship you for the magnificence of your creation. Make us attentive to the wounds of the earth and willing to work for the healing of the whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 680 "O God, our help in ages past"

The Blessing

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

NOTICES

FALL MEDITATION WALKS

Rose Holden and Penni Tidwell will be leading the next Fall Meditation Walk at Cool Springs this coming **Saturday, Oct. 19**. The theme is **"What is the color of letting go?"** An iconic symbol of Autumnal Nature is falling leaves. As we move further into this Season, we will consider what other ways that Nature "lets go." Are we affected by these changes? Do we participate in similar ways of "letting go"?

WELCOME TO THE REV. CATHY TIBBETTS

Starting next week, on October 20th, **The Rev. Cathy Tibbetts**, former rector of Christ Episcopal, Luray, will be celebrating Holy Eucharist with us for several Sundays this fall. We are so grateful to Rev. Cathy for agreeing to be with us during this season of transition for so many of us including, especially, our beloved supply clergy.

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. Our **September donation of 133 pounds**

of food included canned veggies, soups, dried beans, pasta, peanut butter, and cereal. Thanks to Lois Tapscott and Rose Holden who prepared and distributed 40 "to-go" meals of sliders, fresh fruit and trail mix on Sep. 25. Food donations for this month will be collected through Mon., Oct. 28, and 45 "to-go" meals are to be distributed on Wed., Oct. 30. Please talk to Lois or Rose if you'd like to help.

LOVE GOD, LOVE GOD'S WORLD

This **nine-session series**, created by The Episcopal Church to transform participants regardless of where they are on their creation care journey, continues with Session 3, "Vision for Right Relationship", on **Wed., Oct. 30**. The session will start with Evening Prayer at 6 p.m., followed by snacks and discussion. Contact Cindy Ingram to receive the course materials.

GIVING FLOWERS

A gift of Sunday altar flowers is a wonderful way to give thanks for or to remember a loved one. It also helps defray our weekly flower costs. A signup sheet is posted in the Parish Hall. You may provide the flowers or make a monetary donation. Please let the Altar Guild know whom you are commemorating with your gift.

ANIMAL APPRECIATION MONTH AT GOOD SHEPHERD

In honor of St. Francis, whose holy day of October 4th we celebrated last Sunday, we will continue to collect donations in support of Casey's House and the Clarke County Humane Foundation through Oct. 27. A collection box for wet and dry cat food, wet dog food, and other items you might like to donate is located in the Narthex. There you will also find a jar where you may make your monetary donation. Please give generously to support those in our community that are supporting God's creatures!!

PRESIDING BISHOP INVESTITURE: SATURDAY, NOV 2, 2024

Plan on joining our watch party at Good Shepherd that morning, as The Episcopal Church officially welcomes the Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe as its 28th presiding bishop. The prelude, featuring a "roll call" of dioceses, starts at 9:30 a.m. followed by the service of Holy Eucharist beginning at 11 a.m. We will be serving breakfast pastries, coffee, tea, and juice.

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Senior Warden: Ray Ewing Treasurer: Tim Hall Junior Warden: Penni Tidwell Clerk: Janet Locklear

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: Dianne Brumback & family (from The Village Market); Eileen Cawood; Martha Clark & her family; Janet Locklear & her family; Ray Ewing, Doug & Steve Bush (Ray's nephews); Pam Huff (Rose's friend); Carter Refo (Judy's cousin); the Keelor and Mowe families; Jon Hall (Tim's brother); Nathaniel Cawood (Eileen's son) and his wife Abbie; Jon Ecklund (Christine's brother-in-law); Jean Ames (Judi Floyd's neighbor); The Rev. Michael Sie; Gloria Broy (Lois' friend); Nancy Kelley; Richard Sauer (Cindy's father) and his family; Kevin Tapscott (Lois' nephew); Yvette Webster (Rachel's partner); Craig Eney (Andrea's brother-in-law); Hyden McClain (Nancy's great grandson); Alan Moeck (Christine's friend); Allison Knapp, Jamie Legg, and Joanne Conner (Josette's friends); Cat Cox (Retreat neighbor); Bobby Duke (Pine Grove neighbor); Rose Eiseman (Judi Floyd's friend's niece); Dane Toler (Lee's spouse); Debbie Rutter; the Adamson family in Russia; Dusty Bailey and Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends); Martha Hayes; Lee Ruddle; David Aikman (Charlene's husband); Tim & Cindy Ingram; Michael Mohn (previous clergy); Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother); Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend); Geraldine Kolowski, Sam Myers, John West, & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

In thanksgiving for the lives of:

- Ann Ewing Bush (Ray's sister), Feb. 10, 1940 Sep. 11, 2024;
- Judson Hardy (Janet's father), Nov. 8, 1931 Sep. 13, 2024; and
- Priscilla Clark (Rev. Martha's mother), Nov. 23, 1924 Sep. 29, 2024.

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

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