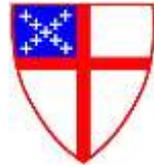
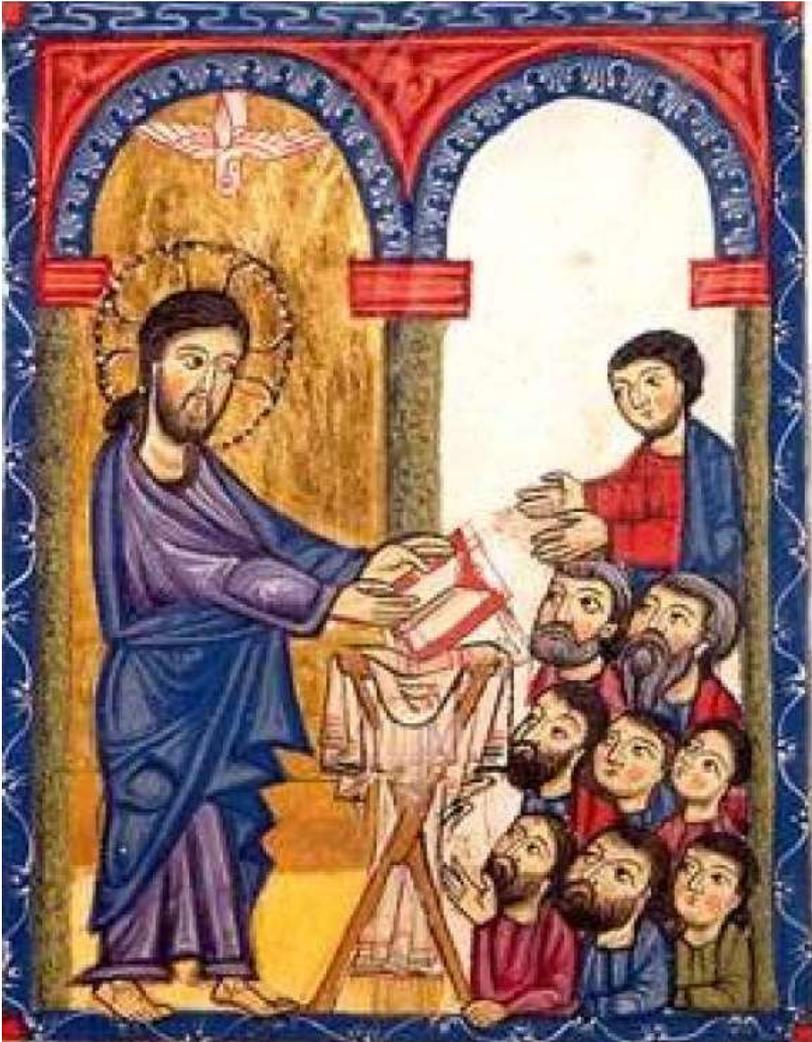


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



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The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 2, 2025

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

We are so glad you are here or joining us online!

*The altar flowers are given by Eileen Cawood in loving memory of her father,
H. Lester Haverstick (Feb. 2, 1918 - Sept. 17, 1995)*



CALENDAR

- SUN Feb 2** **The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer**, with Josette Keelor
- WED Feb 5** **Epiphany Study: Judaism & Islam**, 7 p.m. via Zoom
- SUN Feb 9** **The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist**, with The Rev. Cathy Tibbetts
LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall
Lay Readers: Bethany & Rick Whitehouse
Music Leader: Janet Locklear
- 12:30 p.m.** **Annual Congregational Meeting**
- WED Feb 12** **Epiphany Study: Judaism & Islam**, 7 p.m. via Zoom
- SUN Feb 16** **The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist**, with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor and Janet Locklear
Lay Readers: Penelope Yungblut & Ray Ewing
Music Leaders: Tim Hall & Rose Holden
Zoomer: Penni Tidwell
- WED Feb 19** **Epiphany Study: Judaism & Islam**, 7 p.m. via Zoom
- SUN Feb 23** **The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist**, with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall
Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards
Music Leader: Janet Locklear

Please note that **we do not pass the plate** to collect the offering. You may leave your gifts in the offering plate on the table in the Narthex as you enter or leave the church.

Hymns are sung from: The Hymnal 1982 (the blue book),
Wonder, Love, and Praise (“WLP” the green book), and
Lift Every Voice and Sing II (“LEVAS” the red & black book).

Daily Morning Prayer: Rite II

Officiant: Josette Keelor

Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle

Music Leader: Eileen Cawood | Zoomer: Tim Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude: "Shall We Gather at the River"

Lowry/Line

Opening Sentence and Prayer for Epiphany

(The People stand)

Officiant Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of
the Lord rises upon you. *Isaiah 60:1*

People **The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall
I fear?** *Psalm 27:1*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to
the Peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith,
to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn 440 "Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

Confession of Sin *(Please be seated or kneel)*

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The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins to God.

Officiant and People together

God of all mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Officiant says

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

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Officiant Lord, open our lips
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

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

The Antiphon (Officiant)

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

The Venite (*Psalms 95:1-7*)

Hymnal S-35

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

*For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!*

The Lessons (*The People may be seated*)

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

The Old Testament: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and
before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed
you a prophet to the nations.”

Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak,
for I am only a boy.”

But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy,’ for you
shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I
command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to
deliver you, says the LORD.”

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the
LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. See,
today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and
to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

Said responsively

- 1 In you, O LORD, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
- 4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

5 For you, O Lord, are my hope,
my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

6 From my birth I have leaned upon you, my protector since my
mother's womb.

My praise is continually of you.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

The New Testament: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

Gradual **Hymn 598** “Lord Christ, when first thou cam’st to earth”

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying

A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke

The Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is this not Joseph's son?”

He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'”

And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land, yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.”

When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Homily

Josette Keelor

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 LEVAS 119 “Spirit of God, descend upon my heart”

The Prayers

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Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Officiant prays the Collect of the Day

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

The People sit or kneel

The Lay Eucharistic Minister and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For our friends and family: (*Leader prays from 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 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 Christ Church, Brandy Station; Emmanuel, Greenwood; and St. Christopher's, Springfield. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Stephen, Acting Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, Presiding Bishop; for Mark and Gayle, our Bishops; for Debbie, Martha and Cathy, 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, especially Nickey Ecklund and Alan Moeck, 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 Officiant continues

A Prayer for Mission:

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **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 Grace (*Ephesians 3:20, 21*)

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

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings and Announcements (*Please be seated*)

The Offertory

The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The People stand for the Doxology

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

Officiant All things come of thee, O God.

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Officiant prays

Oh God, our loving Creator and Giver of all good gifts, bless our parish, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of ourselves to spread Your kingdom here in our church and throughout the world. For this, we pray to the Lord. **Amen.**

Closing **Hymn 448** “Oh love, how deep, how broad, how high”

Closing Prayer

O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



EPIPHANY SERIES:

“THE OTHER ABRAHAMIC RELIGIONS: JUDAISM AND ISLAM”

There’s still time to join us during the season of Epiphany as Cindy Ingram leads a weekly study of our sister religions, Judaism and Islam, using the book “Invitation to World Religions” as our study guide. We meet on **Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** via Zoom.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual congregational meeting is scheduled for **next Sunday, Feb. 9**, in the parish hall following the worship service. Come and hear what was accomplished in 2024 and what the Vestry expects might be possible in 2025. We will elect new Vestry members to replace Cindy Ingram and Tim Hall who will be stepping down. Tim will continue to serve as Treasurer and Cindy will also continue her many activities in support of the church. We recognize that Feb. 9 is Super Bowl Sunday, but all can be assured that the meeting will conclude long before the game kicks off.

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. **In 2024, our church donated 1,327 pounds** of food and household essentials and prepared 452 “to-go” meals.

For our first donation of 2025, we donated 150 pounds of soup, pasta, cereal, juice, and other assorted food and toiletries in January. We also prepared and distributed 40 “to-go” meals this past Wednesday.

Talk to Judy Hall if you’d like to be involved in or lead this wonderful and growing ministry in 2025.

BISHOP VISITATION

The **Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson** will be visiting Good Shepherd **Sunday, April 27**. As is customary during such visit, not only does the Bishop lead worship and celebrate at the Lord's Table, he also performs rites associated with the Bishop's ministry, such as the Confirmation we have scheduled that day. The Bishop would be delighted to include other rites, namely Holy Baptism; Reaffirmation of baptismal vows and Reception of anyone interested in membership in the Episcopal Church at Good Shepherd. If you, or someone you know, might be interested in learning more about any of these opportunities to go deeper in your life of faith at Good Shepherd, we invite you to speak with a member of the Vestry or to one of the clergy so that we can answer your questions and gather information to assist the Bishop in preparation of certificates. Immediately following the service, the Bishop will join us for a time of fellowship and informal conversation concerning any and all aspects of life and the mission of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia.

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 sign-up sheet is posted in the Parish Hall. You may provide the flowers or make a monetary donation.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Tuesday, March 4 – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Burning of the Palms.
- Wednesday, March 5 – Ash Wednesday worship with Imposition of Ashes.
- Beginning Wednesday, March 12 and continuing for 5 weeks during Lent: Wednesday evening soup, salad, and bread dinner followed by Lenten study.
- Sunday, April 6 – guest celebrant, the Rev. Shirley Smith Graham, Diocesan Minister of Congregational Vitality
- Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday Liturgy of the Palms and Passion Liturgy
- Thursday, April 17 – Maundy Thursday sacred supper, worship, and foot washing.
- Friday, April 18 – Stations of the Cross and Good Friday worship.
- Sunday, April 20 – The Day of Resurrection.
- Sunday, April 27 – Bishop Stevenson visitation.

More information, with times, coming soon. If you'd like to be involved in planning and/or implementation, or if you have any ideas, please talk to a member of our vestry or one of our clergy.



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PRAYERS

*Please pray for our neighbors
and for ways we can serve the community.*

Friends and Family: Michael Finnerin (family friend of the Whitehouses); Rose Holden; Pine Grove Group AA; Terry (our neighbor Gertrude's niece); Lois Tapscott; Nancy Prestipino (former organist); Bishop Gayle Harris; Nancy Holden (Rose's sister-in-law); Becky Loker (the daughter of a friend of the Halls); Dianne Brumback & family (The Village Market); Eileen Cawood; Jordan Williams (Lois's nephew); Pam Huff (Rose's friend); The Keelor and Mowe families; Nathaniel Cawood (Eileen's son) and his wife Abbie; Jon Ecklund (Christine's brother-in-law); Jean Ames (Judi Floyd's neighbor); Lovette and the Rev. Michael Sie; Nancy Kelley; Richard Sauer (Cindy's father) and his family; Kevin Tapscott (Lois's nephew); Yvette Webster (Rachel's partner); Craig Eney (Andrea's brother in law); Hyden McClain (Nancy Kelley's great grandson); Cat Cox (Retreat neighbor); Bobby Duke (our neighbor); Rose Eiseman (Judi Floyd's friend's niece); Dane Toler (Lee's spouse); The Adamson Family in Russia, especially Chris; 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, and Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends & family).

In thanksgiving for the lives of:

- Nicole (Nickey) Ecklund (the sister of Christine's brother-in-law, Jon Ecklund), who leaves behind her husband and two children,
- Alan Moeck (Christine's friend), who leaves behind his wife and adult daughter and son.

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