

# Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE,  
AND I KNOW THEM AND  
THEY FOLLOW ME.  
JOHN 10:27



<https://thewordfortheday.tumblr.com/post/116182126457/my-sheep-hear-my-voice-and-i-know-them-and-they>

The Fourth Sunday of Easter  
May 11, 2025

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



### CALENDAR

**SUN May 11 The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deborah Rutter

**TUE May 13 Women's Al-Anon** in the Parish Hall (noon - 2 p.m.)

**THU May 15 Vestry Meeting** in the Parish Hall (10:30 a.m. - Noon)

**SAT May 17 World Vision Global 6K for Water** (see Notices)

**Pine Grove Group AA** in the Parish Hall (7-10 p.m.)

**SUN May 18 The Fifth Sunday of Easter – Bishop's Visit**

**10:15 a.m. Bishop meets with rites' candidates**

**11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist** with Rt. Rev. Ted Gulick

Lay Readers: Bethany & Rick Whitehouse

LEM & Prayers: Judy Hall

Music Leader: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Tim Hall

**Bishop's Reception** after the service (see Notices)

**TUE May 20 Women's Al-Anon** in the Parish Hall (noon - 2 p.m.)

**SAT May 24 Pine Grove Group AA** in the Parish Hall (7-10 p.m.)

**SUN May 25 The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Last day for FISH food donations**

**11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deborah Rutter

Lay Readers: Ryan & Josette Keelor

LEM & Prayers: Tim Hall

Music Leaders: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Judy Hall

**Reception** after the service to remember Lois Tapscott

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).

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Celebrant: Rev. Deborah Rutter

Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle

LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor | Music Leader: Tim Hall

Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

## Welcome and Introduction

Opening **Hymn 209** “We walk by faith, and not by sight”

*sung to the tune “Land of Rest”*

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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 Gloria** “Glorify Your Name”

*by Donna Adkins*

***Father, we love you, we praise you, we adore you,***

***Glorify your name in all the Earth.***

***Glorify your name, glorify your name,***

***glorify your name in all the Earth.***

***Jesus, we love you ...***

***Spirit, we love you ...***

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lessons** *(the people may be seated)*

*The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

### **The First Lesson: Acts 9:36-43**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*The Word of the Lord.*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 23**

*Said responsively by half verse*

*Dominus regit me*

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not be in want.**

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

**and leads me beside still waters.**

3 He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall  
fear no evil; \*

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who  
trouble me; \*

**you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.**

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of  
my life, \*

**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

*The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying*

A reading from the Revelation to John.

### **The Epistle: Revelation 7:9-17**

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne,  
and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever!  
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter  
them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their  
shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 664** “My Shepherd will supply my need”

*Then, (all standing) the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

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

### **The Gospel: John 10:22-30**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.”

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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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 691 “My faith looks up to thee”

**The Prayers of the People, Form VI**

*BCP p. 392*

*The People may be seated or kneel*

*The 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 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 St. John's, McLean; St. Mary's, Goochland; and Trinity, Manassas. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai. 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, remembering especially Earldine Ingram, Lois Tapscott, Michael Finnerin, Verne Critchfield, Pope Francis and Allen Dec, 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 Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

**The Peace** (*the People stand*)

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

**Greetings and Announcements** (*Please be seated*)

## THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**The Offertory**

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

Offertory **Hymn 343** “Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless”

*The People stand for the Doxology*

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

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*BCP, p.369*

*Eucharistic Prayer C*

*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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

[WLP 785]

[Spanish] ***Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora!***

***Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.***

[English] ***Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!***

***My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.***

*Then the Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or 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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.

### **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 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.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

Communion **Hymn 711** “Seek ye first the Kingdom of God”

*After communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*Enriching Our Worship, p. 69*

**God of abundance,**

**you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;**

**you have united us with Christ and one another;**

**and you have made us one with all your people**

**in heaven and on earth.**

**Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,**

**that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world**

**and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.**

**Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

Closing **Hymn 296** “We know that Christ is raised and dies no more”

## **The Dismissal**

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

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



## **NOTICES**

### **CONGREGATIONAL GIVING**



A heartfelt “thanks very much” to everyone who made contributions to our **Good Friday Offering** fundraiser from Palm Sunday to Easter. You gave \$700, which means the entire \$500 in matching funds

authorized by your vestry is unlocked. We will be sending a check for \$1,200 to The Episcopal Church – Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (DFMS), which will be forwarded to The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Whatever happens in the Holy Land, The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East will continue to serve God through its congregations, hospitals, schools, orphanages, and humanitarian aid programs. These vital ministries serve people of all faiths without distinction, bearing witness to the power of hope and healing.

Our gifts to the Good Friday Offering will support the ministry at al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza; St. George's in Baghdad, Iraq, and its medical center; an eye clinic at Christ Church in Yemen; and the powerful Christian presence of All Saints' Episcopal Church in Damascus, Syria, and All Saints' Episcopal Church in Beirut, Lebanon.

### **BISHOP'S VISIT**

**The Rt. Rev. Ted Gulick will join us next Sunday, May 18,** to perform the rites of Confirmation and Reaffirmation for Bethany Whitehouse and Rick Whitehouse, respectively. As is customary during such visits, the Bishop will lead worship and celebrate at the Lord's Table. It is also customary for the loose offering that day to go towards the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

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. **We need your help planning the Bishop's reception.** Please talk to a member of the vestry if you can help with food, setup, and/or cleanup.

### **OUR COMMUNITY**



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. Our April donation weighed **54 pounds**, and 40 "to-go" meals were handed out on the last day of the month. Additionally, after sending **\$1,000 to FISH** from church funds in memory of Lois Tapscott earlier last month, we received **additional donations of \$370**, which have been sent to FISH as well. Thank you to all who donated both food and funds.

As our only year-round outreach effort, FISH is an important part of Good Shepherd's outreach ministry and we need help with every part

of it: shopping, preparing meals, delivering the donated food, and distributing the meals. Please talk to Janet Locklear if you can help.

**You may also contribute monetarily to FISH.** Write “FISH” in your check memo or place cash in a well-marked envelope and we will pass it on to FISH. Remember, FISH director Anne Cushman told us she can make a dollar go 10 times farther than we can!

### **DUST OFF YOUR WALKING SHOES**

Plan on joining us for the World Vision Global 6K for Water **this Saturday morning, May 17.** We will be walking, jogging, or rolling (strollers, bikes, wheelchairs, etc.) at Cool Spring. Our goal is to raise \$1,000 to help bring life-changing clean water to those who need it the most. **To register for the walk or donate money to support our team, please visit Good Shepherd’s website at [www.goodshepherdbluemont.com](http://www.goodshepherdbluemont.com) and look for the link under “News Room.”**

Tomorrow is your last chance to join our team. But you can support us with donations all the way through the Global 6K day!

### **OUR FACILITY**

We are looking for people to serve on the Facilities Committee to help plan and execute the care and maintenance of and improvements to our historic property. To join in this important work, contact Ryan Keelor, our Junior Warden.

Good Shepherd is available for weddings, other special events, and regular meetings. Send an email to [office@goodshepherdbluemont.org](mailto:office@goodshepherdbluemont.org) for more information.



### **GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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*Senior Warden: Judy Hall*

*Register: Janet Locklear*

*Junior Warden: Ryan Keelor*

*Treasurer: Tim Hall*

## PRAYERS

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

***Friends and Family:*** Lilian Harris (Janet's sister-in-law in hospice care); Patricia Critchfield (mother of Kathleen and widow of Verne); Daniel Murphy (hiking the Appalachian Trail); Elaine J. (Christine's friend); Clarke County Fire & Rescue; Darlene Schaffer; Vickie Hooper (in-law of the Halls); friends and family of Michael Finnerin (friends of the Whitehouses); Terry (our neighbor Gertrude's niece); Nancy Holden (Rose's sister-in-law); Becky Loker (Halls' friend's daughter); Eileen Cawood; Jordan Williams (Lois's nephew); The Keelor & 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; 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 Ruddie; David Aikman (Charlene's husband); Tim and Cindy Ingram; Michael Mohn (previous clergy); Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother); Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend); Sam Myers, John West, & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends and family).

**In thanksgiving** for the lives of:

- Earldine Ingram (Tim Ingram's mother), Dec. 20, 1932 – April 17, 2025;
- Lois Tapscott, Dec. 4, 1946 – April 18, 2025;
- Michael Finnerin (friend of the Whitehouses), died April 19, 2025;
- Verne Critchfield (Kathleen Moorcones' father), died April 20, 2025;
- Pope Francis (Jorge Mario Bergoglio) – Pontiff (2013 - 2025), Dec. 17, 1936 – April 21, 2025; and
- Allen Dec (Judi Floyd's friend), died April 23, 2025.

***To add someone to or remove someone from the prayer list,  
send an email to [prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org](mailto:prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org)***