

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Seventh Sunday of Easter
June 1, 2025

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



CALENDAR

- SUN Jun 1** **The Seventh Sunday of Easter**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with Tim Hall
- SAT Jun 7** **Celebration of Life** for Kimberly Jo Hardison
2:00 p.m. **Burial of the Dead, Rite II** with The Rev. Justin Ivatts
LEM: Josette Keelor
- SUN Jun 8** **The Day of Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Cathy Tibbetts
Lay Readers: Josette Keelor & Lee Ruddle
LEM/Prayers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle
Music Leader: ??? | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell
- SUN Jun 15** **The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with The Rev. Deacon Kara Laughlin
Lay Readers: Bethany & Rick Whitehouse
Music Leader: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall
- THU Jun 19** **Vestry Meeting**, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall
- SUN Jun 22** **The Second Sunday after Pentecost**
 Last day for FISH food donations
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Kate Bryant
Lay Reader: Kelly Macoy | Zoomer: Judy Hall
LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor
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



The Pine Grove AA meets at Good Shepherd every Saturday night at 8:30 pm in person or by Zoom. Drop in or Contact:

<https://aavirginia.org/meetings> - search for Bluemont.



A small group of five women has started holding Al-Anon meetings at Good Shepherd every Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Other women are always welcome.

DAILY MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO

Officiant: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Sentence for Easter

BCP p. 77

(The People stand)

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

Officiant On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice
and be glad in it.

The Officiant and People continue with the Opening Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP p. 80

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 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the

spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 97

Said responsively by half verse

Dominus regnavit

- 1 The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
**he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A reading from the Revelation to John

The Epistle: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying

A reading from the Gospel according to John

The Gospel John 17:20-26

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known

to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

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

The Prayers

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Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

(Please be seated or kneel)

After The Lord's Prayer and Suffrages A, there follows

The Collect of the Day

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

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. David's, Ashburn and Ware, Gloucester. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Korea. 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 Lilian (Teen) Harris and Rose Eiseman, 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 may add other Collects and finish with a collect for mission,
before inviting the people to pray the General Thanksgiving together.*

The General Thanksgiving *BCP p. 101*
Officiant and People

The Officiant prays **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom** *BCP p. 102*

The Grace (*The People stand*) *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

The Peace

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

Greetings and Announcements

The Offertory

The Officiant begins with a sentence of Scripture.

The People stand for the Doxology

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

Closing Prayer

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

<i>Officiant</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.
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<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.
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NOTICES

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

In 1804, Absalom Jones became the first African American to be ordained a priest in The Episcopal Church. His witness to the way of Jesus included efforts to abolish slavery and to lift up all those cast down. He understood that education is the key to empowerment. People of all backgrounds and faiths are



invited to give generously to the Absalom Jones Fund in support of the work of two HBCUs in cultivating and preparing leaders: Voorhees University and Saint Augustine's University.

Since we missed the dedicated offerings around Feb. 13 in observance of the Feast Day of Absalom Jones, we are running our Absalom Jones campaign in conjunction with the Juneteenth celebration. **Our campaign begins today, The Sunday after Ascension Day, and ends on Trinity Sunay, June 15. Once again, the vestry will match the total donations collected, up to \$500.**

OUR COMMUNITY



We continue to support FISH of Clarke County (36 E. Main St., Berryville) with donations of food and supplies. We are actively collecting June donations after **we provided 78 pounds of food and supplies in May. We also sent FISH a check for \$505** last month, which included \$305 donated from Bishop Gulick's discretionary fund.

Sun., June 22, is the last day for this month's food and monetary donations. Food and supply donations will be delivered on Tues., June 24, and to-go meals distributed on Wed. June 25. We will pass on your monetary donations to FISH. (Include "FISH" in your check memo or put cash in a well-marked envelope.)

As our only year-round outreach effort, FISH is an important part of Good Shepherd's outreach ministry and we need help in all aspects of this important outreach ministry: shopping, preparing meals, delivering the donated food, and distributing the meals. If you'd like help or lead this wonderful and growing ministry as we go forward in 2025, please talk to Janet Locklear.

BLUE RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

BRVFR, Company 8, is actively conducting its **Spring Fundraiser**. Company 8 is an important part of our community, serving us and our neighbors with emergency response, supporting FISH, hosting blood drives, providing space for large gatherings. and so much more. Our church, with a Vestry-authorized **donation of \$350**, is honored to be able to support our local fire company. If you'd like to give as well, information is posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall.

2025 VESTRY WELCOMES ALL

The next Vestry meetings will be held at Good Shepherd and via Zoom on **Thur, June 19 and July 17**, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If there is something you would like to bring to the vestry's attention, please contact the appropriate Vestry Liaison (see below) to add your item to the agenda. Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend vestry meetings.

- Senior Warden: Judy Hall
- Junior Warden: Ryan Keelor - Building and Grounds
- Registrar: Janet Locklear - Pastoral Care and Outreach
- Rose Holden - Worship
- Lee Ruddle - Christian Formation



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Treasurer: Tim Hall

PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family: Cathy Tibbetts; Andrea Brown; 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; 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); friends and family of 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 and Cindy Ingram; Michael Mohn (previous clergy); Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother); Roberta Adams (Tim Ingram's friend); and Sam Myers, John West, & Kenny Lucas (Darlene's friends and family).

In thanksgiving for the lives of:

- Lilian (Teen) Harris (Janet's sister-in-law), 1/26/1929 – 5/12/2025;
- and Rose Eiseman (Judi Floyd's friend's niece), died 5/21/2025.

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

Follow Christ. Welcome All. Serve Humbly.