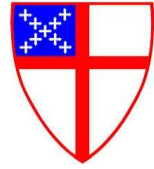


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

May 24, 2026

Follow Christ. Welcome All. Serve Humbly.

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church

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



CALENDAR

- SUN May 24 The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday**
Last day for FISH food donations
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Deborah Rutter
- TUE May 26 Morning FISH delivery, followed by...**
10:00 a.m. Preparation of "to-go" meals (Parish Hall basement)
- WED May 27 Distribute FISH "to-go" meals (9 a.m. until gone)**
- SUN May 31 The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday**
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer & Healing with Josette Keelor
Lay Readers: Rick Whitehouse & Judy Hall
Acolyte/Prayers: Janet Locklear
Zoomer: Judy Hall | Music Leader: Tim Hall
- SUN Jun 7 The Second Sunday after Pentecost**
10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Forum until 10:45 in the Parish Hall
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Tim Hall
Lay Readers: Judy Hall & Lee Ruddle
Zoomer: Penni Tidwell | Music: Acapella
- SUN Jun 14 The Third Sunday after Pentecost**
10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Forum until 10:45 in the Parish Hall
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Deborah Rutter
Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards
LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor | Zoomer: Ron Edwards
Music Leader: Janet Locklear



The Pine Grove AA meets at Good Shepherd every Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in person or by Zoom. Drop in or contact:

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



A small group of five women is holding Al-Anon meetings at Good Shepherd every Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Ladies, please feel free to join them.

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.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Rutter

Lay Readers: Josette Keelor & Lee Ruddle

LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall

Music Leader: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Tim Hall

Welcome and Introduction

Prelude “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

arr by Jan Welch

Opening Hymn 225 “Hail thee, festival day!”

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

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all

who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Said responsively by half verse

25 **O LORD, how manifold are your works! ***
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.

27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
**you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.**
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying

A reading from the Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--

Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual **Hymn 230** “A mighty sound from heaven”

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 20:19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

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.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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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. Mary's, Whitechapel; Trinity, Lancaster; and all Christian Formation leaders and seekers. 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 Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, Presiding Bishop; for Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops; for Debbie, Rob, Kate, and Martha, 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 The Rev. Michael Mohn, 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.

Anthem “O Breathe on me, O Breath of God”

Choir & Piano

The People stand for the Doxology

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

The Great Thanksgiving

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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: [Hymnal S-125]

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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,

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant

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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 people and ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds.

Communion **Hymn** "We are one in the Spirit"

Insert

After communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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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 **LEVAS 120** “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia!! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing
in the power of the Holy Spirit

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



NOTICES

SAD PASSING

One of our beloved former clergy, The Rev. Michael C. Mohn, died at age 88 on Sun., May 17, 2026. Rev. Mohn served at Good Shepherd from May 2009 to Jan. 2011 and again from April 2012 to Sept. 2013. Rev. Mohn's primary message to us each Sunday was that God loves us. His kind and forgiving heart was a soothing salve for all.

COMMUNITY CLOTHING AND STUFF GIVEAWAY

The people of Clarke County are coming together to provide **free clothes and things** to neighbors in need. The giveaway will be at the Clarke County Fairgrounds on June 4, 5, and 6. Donations of books, clothes, shoes, household items, and furniture, etc. are needed. Bring your donations to church by next Sunday, May 31, and reach out to our office email if you need help transporting your items.

SUNDAY MORNING STUDY

We will begin our *new summer Sunday School* group book study at 10 a.m. on June 7. Natalie Sweeney and Tim Hall are leading the group, which will be reading and discussing The Presence of Jesus: The Early Church's Forgotten Path to Spiritual Growth. Free, church-provided copies are available in the Narthex. Please take one and sign the sheet to let Natalie and Tim know you have a book and are interested in attending. You may have a book even if you can't make it to the Sunday morning sessions!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES...

We have the Spring 2026 update to our church Friends and Family directory available for pickup in the Narthex on Sunday mornings. If you'd like an electronic copy of the directory, please email the office (see back page) to request one.

CPR AND AED TRAINING

Good Shepherd has upgraded some of its safety equipment in the last several years, including fire extinguishers, first aid kits, and little red boxes with AED labels on them. You may or may not be familiar with how to use an Automated External Defibrillator. That's why Ryan Keelor has contacted the EMS Council to obtain **CPR Training classes** (including AED equipment) To help us with planning, **please email the office (see back page) if you would like to participate**. Also, if you have a recent CPR Training Certificate, please let the office know. We would like to compile a list of CPR trained parishioners who can help in case of an emergency.

SCHEDULING VOLUNTEERS

A hearty **THANK YOU** to everyone who has offered to **help with our worship** services and with weekly tasks that are so important to keep our church running smoothly. **The May volunteer sign-up sheet** is on the old pump organ in the sanctuary. We have added a slot for coffee hour hosts. Please consider becoming one if you enjoy this time together.

The **weekly worship service roster** is posted on bulletin boards in the Narthex and Parish Hall. Please contact the office if you're

interested in being a part of the worship volunteer team (altar guild, readers, LEMs, Zoomer, etc.)

Thanks for your gifts of Time and Talent!

OUR COMMUNITY



Thank you to each of you that have made donations to FISH so far this year. Our **April donation was 53 pounds of food**, delivered by Eileen, and a **check for \$431** was sent to FISH. Janet & Peggy prepared and Penni helped Janet assemble **48 turkey/cheese slider lunches** that were shared on Wednesday, April 29, along with **12 vegan chili & cornbread lunches** that Judy & Tim made. *Our next to-go meals will be prepared and delivered on May 26 & 27.* **Please contact Janet Locklear to help with this important ministry in our community.**

*Also, please remember **FISH** when you're doing your grocery shopping and consider buying a little extra to give to those in need. Weekly donations of a few items by everyone will really add up!*

FORWARD DAY-BY-DAY DEVOTIONALS

Take away copies for **May-June-July** are available in the Narthex. Please take one home for yourself, and one for a friend.

PRAYER LIST UPDATE

We removed many of the names from the prayer list at the end of holy week and are starting fresh. If you would like for someone to *stay on or be added to* the list moving forward, please leave a voicemail at 540-252-5825 or email prayerlist@goodshepherdbluemont.org. Also, please provide an update if someone may be removed.



PRAYERS

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

Friends and Family Prayers: The Aguilar family (Christine's family); Janie Mohn (Rev. Michael Mohn's widow); The Buzalsky family (on the death of their 27-year-old son, Leo); Laura & Stephen and their new baby, Corrigan (Martha's friends); Carol Newman (Pine Grove neighbor); Sam Wiggington (Judi Floyd's neighbor); Bob Zidek (Bryan's dad); Judy Anderson (Bluemont neighbor); Brian Sweeney (Natalie's brother); Amie Comer (friend at Rose Hill); Donna Sowder and Terri Huff (Rose's friends); Darlene Schaffer and her friends & family: Sam Myers, John West, and Kenny Lucas; Eileen Cawood; Nancy Kelley, Tammy (Nancy's daughter), Jennifer (Nancy's granddaughter); Yvette Webster (Rachel's partner); Craig Eney (Andrea's brother-in-law); David Aikman (Charlene's husband); Dusty Bailey and Ted Weaver (Charlene's friends); Martha Hayes; Lee Ruddle & Dane Toler; Tim & Cindy Ingram; Kathleen Franz (Kelly's mother).

In thanksgiving for the life of The Rev. Michael C. Mohn (previous clergy), who died on May 17, 2026 at age 88.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Michael, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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



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