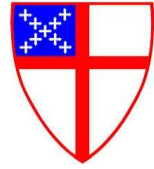


# Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026

*Follow Christ. Welcome All. Serve Humbly.*

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Church



## CALENDAR

- SUN Jun 28**    **The Fifth 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
- SUN Jul 5**    **The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
11:00 a.m.    **Morning Prayer** with Kelly Macoy  
Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards  
Music Leader: Janet Locklear | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell
- SUN Jul 12**    **The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
11:00 a.m.    **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Kate Bryant  
Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle  
LEM/Prayers: Josette Keelor | Zoomer: Ron Edwards  
Music Leader: Janet Locklear
- SAT Jul 18**    **Vestry Meeting** 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall
- SUN Jul 19**    **The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
11:00 a.m.    **Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Rob Banse  
Lay Readers: Josette Keelor & Lee Ruddle  
LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Rick Whitehouse  
Music Leader: Tim Hall
- SUN Jul 26**    **The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
11:00 a.m.    **Last day for FISH food & funds donations**  
**Holy Eucharist** with the Rev. Deborah Rutter  
Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards  
LEM/Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall  
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.



Women's Al-Anon meetings at Good Shepherd every Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Ladies, feel free to join in.

**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: Lay Readers: Josette Keelor & Lee Ruddle

LEM/Prayers: Kelly Macoy | Music Leader: Janet Locklear

Zoomer: Ron Edwards

### Welcome and Introduction

**Prelude:** “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

*arr. By Jenifer Cook*

Opening **Hymn 525** “The Church’s one foundation”

*vv. 1-3*

### Opening Acclamation

*BCP p.355*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*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.**

Praise **Hymn 484** “Praise the Lord through every nation”

### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lessons

*The Reader introduces the first lesson, saying*

A reading from the book of Genesis.

### The Old Testament: Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and

go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.” Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 13**

*Said responsively by half verse*

1 How long, O LORD?

will you forget me for ever? \*

**how long will you hide your face from me?**

2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,  
and grief in my heart, day after day? \*

**how long shall my enemy triumph over me?**

- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my God; \*  
**give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;**
- 4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," \*  
**and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**
- 5 But I put my trust in your mercy; \*  
**my heart is joyful because of your saving help.**
- 6 I will sing to the LORD, for he has dealt with me richly; \*  
**I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.**

*The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

**The Epistle: Romans 6:12-23**

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

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

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

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

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

**The Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42**

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

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**

*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. Peter's, Port Royal. In the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*, we pray today for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa. 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, 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 adds a concluding Collect*

*The Leader continues*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Leader and People*

**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 Celebrant pronounces the absolution.*

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

*Celebrant*      The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

**Announcements**

## **THE HOLY AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

**The Offertory**

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

*The People stand for the Doxology*

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

## The Great Thanksgiving

BCP, p.367

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

*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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name: [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.***

*The People stand or kneel*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

*People and Celebrant*

*BCP p. 364*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **The Act of Reception for Spiritual Communion**

*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.*

*After communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*from 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**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the People*

Closing **Hymn 518** “Christ is made the sure foundation”

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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



## **NOTICES**

If you have a notice you'd like included in the bulletin, please send it, via email, to our office email address (see back page) with subject “NOTICES”. Thank you.



## PRAYERS

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

**Friends and Family Prayers:** Greg Maurer & family (friends of Ron and Christine); Natalie Sweeney; 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 grand-daughter); 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).

*To add someone to or remove someone from the prayer list,  
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