

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church



The Village of Pine Grove, Virginia



The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
July 6, 2025

Welcome to Good Shepherd Church
We are so glad you are here or joining us online!



CALENDAR

SUN Jul 6 **The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with Josette Keelor

SUN Jul 13 **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer** with Tim Hall
Lay Readers: Bethany & Rick Whitehouse
Music Leader: Josette Keelor | Zoomer: Judy Hall

THU Jul 17 **Vestry Meeting**, 6:30-8 p.m. in the Parish Hall

SUN Jul 20 **The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Deborah Rutter
Lay Readers: Christine Kestner & Ron Edwards
LEM/Prayers: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Judy Hall
Music Leader: Janet Locklear

SUN Jul 27 **The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**
11:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist** with The Rev. Cathy Tibbetts
Lay Readers: Kelly Macoy & Lee Ruddle
LEM/Prayers: Judy Hall | Zoomer: Tim Hall
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).



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 gathering for **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 II

Officiant: Josette Keelor

Lay Readers: Janet Locklear & Lee Ruddle

Music Leader: Tim Hall | Zoomer: Penni Tidwell

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Sentence and Prayer

(The People stand)

Officiant Give thanks to the Lord, and call upon his Name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Psalms 105:1

People **Grace to you and peace from God our father and
the Lord Jesus Christ.**

Philippians 1:2

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**Lord God Almighty, who hast made all peoples of the earth
for thy glory, to serve thee in freedom and peace: Grant to the
people or our country a zeal for justice and the strength of
forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with
thy gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth
and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever
and ever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn 717 "My country tis of thee"

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 People stand)

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 earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

Officiant and People

The Venite (Psalm 95:1-7)

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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 Isaiah.

The Old Testament: Isaiah 66:10-14

Thus says the LORD:

“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her--
that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with
his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:1-8

Said responsively by half verse

Jubilate Deo

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
**sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.**
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! *
**because of your great strength your enemies cringe
before you.**
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

The Reader introduces the second lesson, saying

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians

The New Testament: Galatians 6:(1-6)7-16

[My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

Gradual **Hymn 535** “Ye servants of God”

Paderborn

(The People may be seated)

The Reader introduces the third lesson, saying

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

The Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace,

your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

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 38** "The Old Rugged Cross" *George Bennard*

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

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for National Life

For our Country

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our

hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Thanksgivings for National Life For the Nation

Almighty God, giver of all good things: We thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of this land. They restore us, though we often destroy them.

Heal us.

We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make us rich, though we often exploit them.

Forgive us.

We thank you for the men and women who have made this country strong. They are models for us, though we often fall short of them.

Inspire us.

We thank you for the torch of liberty which has been lit in this land. It has drawn people from every nation, though we have often hidden from its light.

Enlighten us.

We thank you for the faith we have inherited in all its rich variety. It sustains our life, though we have been faithless again and again.

Renew us.

Help us, O Lord, to finish the good work here begun. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, and to abolish poverty and crime. And hasten the day when all our people, with many voices in one united chorus, will glorify your holy Name.

Amen.

The Officiant continues with other Collects, concluding with

A Prayer for the Mission of the Church

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself: We praise and bless you for those whom you

have sent in the power of the Spirit to preach the Gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth a community of love has been gathered together by their prayers and labors, and that in every place your servants call upon your Name; for the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours for ever. **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 People stand)

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”

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 719** “O beautiful for spacious skies”

Closing Prayer

Grant, we beseech you, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may

bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

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



NOTICES

PSALM 119 STUDY GROUP

Penni Tidwell is inviting you to join a group to read and study Psalm 119, which **explores how David received God's counsel and wisdom with joy.** The longest chapter in the Bible, this psalm is a profound and heartfelt discourse centered on the power, importance, and beauty of God's laws and statutes. It is an acrostic poem, with each section starting with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet. No study guide will be used; instead the group discussion will go wherever the spirit leads. Each Zoom session will be about 45 minutes long. The schedule will be determined at the first meeting. Please **contact Penni** to indicate your preferences for time and dates.

BISHOP VISIT

The Rt. Rev'd E. Mark Stevenson visited Good Shepherd last Sunday, June 29. He celebrated Holy Eucharist and led us in the Healing Litany. After the service there was a very lively open forum with the Bishop, who ably fielded a variety of questions ranging from the Diocesan canons to the theology of Real Presence.

The congregation collected \$300 for the Bishop, unlocking the full Vestry-authorized match of \$250. Therefore, \$550 is being sent to the Bishop's Discretionary fund.

OUR COMMUNITY



The FISH of Clarke County clothing store and food pantry, located at 36 E. Main St., Berryville, are open every Tuesday 8-10 am. and Wednesday 8-11 am. Anyone unable to stop by during those times should contact FISH to make other arrangements or to schedule a no-

contact delivery. FISH's phone number is 540-955-1823 and email address is fishfoodpantry@comcast.net. If you would like to volunteer at FISH, call 540-955-1823.

Thank you for your support. In June, we collected 80 pounds of food and supplies for FISH and distributed 40 to-go meals and numerous "kids" meals as part of our outreach effort. The need this summer is greater than ever, as kids are not in school and funding for fresh produce is down due to cuts in federal aid.

On Sat., June 7, Good Shepherd hosted the funeral of Kim Hardison, a Pine Grove neighbor. Her friends and family collected **\$152** in donations for the church, which the vestry voted to donate **to FISH in memory of Kim Hardison**. With an additional \$150 contributed by the congregation, **we sent FISH a total of \$302 in June.**

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 contact Janet Locklear.**

2025 VESTRY WELCOMES ALL

The next Vestry meeting will be held at Good Shepherd and via Zoom on **Thu, July 17**, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you would like to bring something to the vestry's attention, please contact a member of the vestry or the senior warden to add your item to the agenda. Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend vestry meetings.



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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: 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).

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

The Church: For Stephen, Acting Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, Presiding Bishop; for Mark, Gayle, and Mark our Bishops; for Debbie, Martha, and Cathy, our Supply Clergy, and for all bishops and other ministers.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray today for Emmanuel–Brook Hill, Richmond.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray today for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Follow Christ. Welcome All. Serve Humbly.