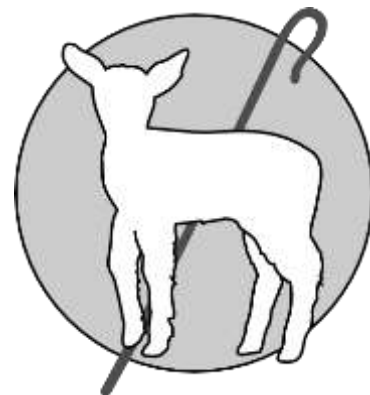


**Good Shepherd Episcopal Church**  
**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday, August 24, 2025

*Boldly engaging the world as God's shepherds, sharing God's blessings and creating Heaven on Earth, one person at a time.*



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**Holy Eucharist – 9:00 a.m.**

**Salutation** Book of Common Prayer p. 323

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

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

**Collect for Purity** Book of Common Prayer p. 323

**The Gloria** Book of Common Prayer p. 324

**Collect of the Day**

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

**The First Lesson** Jeremiah 1:4-10

**Psalm 71:1-6** (See 11:00 service)

**The Second Lesson** Hebrews 12:18-29

**Holy Gospel** Luke 13:10-17

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Homily** The Rev. Dr. Delmer Chilton

**The Nicene Creed** Book of Common Prayer p. 326

**Prayers of the People** Book of Common Prayer p. 328

**Confession of Sin** Book of Common Prayer p. 331

**Peace**

**Announcements**

**Holy Communion**

**Presentation of Our Gifts**

*All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.*

1 Chronicles 29:14b

**Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer II**

Book of Common Prayer p. 340

**Lord's Prayer**

**Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

**Agnus Dei**

Book of Common Prayer p. 337

**Prayer of Humble Access**

Book of Common Prayer p. 337

**Post Communion Prayer**

Book of Common Prayer p. 339

**Blessing and Dismissal**

**Prayer is available at the altar.**

**Those Who Serve**

**9:00am:**

**EMs:** Amy Nicolson, Deanna DuBose; **Lector:** Jerry Taylor; **Intercessor:** Stacey Overlin;

**Usher:** Paul Swanson; **Altar Guild:** Beth Hitchcock ; **VPOD:** Patti Brownlee;

**Ingles cards:** Joe Rybicki

## Holy Eucharist – 11:00 a.m.

### Prelude

Air from Cantata No. 27

JS Bach

### Processional

*God of the prophets, bless the prophets' heirs*

Hymnal 359

The image displays a musical score for a hymn, featuring three systems of music. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line, with five numbered stanzas. The music is in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The lyrics are as follows:

1 God of the pro - phets, bless the pro - phets' heirs! E - li - jah's  
2 A - noint them pro - phets! Teach them thine in - tent: to hu - man  
3 A - noint them priests! help them to in - ter - cede with all thy  
\*4 A - noint them kings! Yea, king - ly kings, O Lord! A - noint them  
5 Make them a - pos - tles, her - alds of thy cross; forth may they

1 man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast: each age for thine own sol - emn  
2 need their quick - ened hearts a - wake; fill them with power, their lips make  
3 roy - al priest - hood born of grace; through them thy Church pre - sents in  
4 with the Spi - rit of thy Son: theirs not a mon - arch's crown or  
5 go to tell all realms thy grace: in - spired of thee, may they count

1 task pre - pares, make each one strong - er, no - bler than the last.  
2 el - o - quent for righteous - ness that shall all e - vil break.  
3 word and deed Christ's one true sac - ri - fice with thank - ful praise.  
4 ty - rant's sword; theirs by the love of Christ a king - dom won.  
5 all but loss, and stand at last with joy be - fore thy face.

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### Salutation

*Celebrant*

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People*

*Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.*

## Collect for Purity

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 S280

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.

*People*             *And also with you.*

*Celebrant*            Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."  
But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*             *Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 71:1-6**

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \*  
my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.

## **The Second Lesson**

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

<i>Reader</i>	<i>The Word of the Lord.</i>
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to  
 2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,  
 3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,  
 strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed  
 life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the  
 owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be  
 with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er  
 near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed  
 eyes that see, give wis - dom's heav - en - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.  
 street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.  
 sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt. Music: *St. Matthew*, from *Supplement to the New Version of Psalms* by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708.

## Holy Gospel

## Luke 13:10-17

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

*Celebrant*                      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                         Praise to you, Lord Christ.

<b>Hymn</b>	<i>Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old (v3)</i>	Hymnal 567
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**Homily** The Rev. Dr. Delmer Chilton

**Nicene Creed** Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Prayers of the People: Form 6 Book of Common Prayer p. 392

**Confession** Book of Common Prayer p. 393

# Peace

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

## Announcements

## Holy Communion

**Offertory**            It is well with my soul  
Solo: Nora Broszeit

Doxology (v. 3) Hymnal 380

## **Great Thanksgiving** Enriching Our Worship I

*The people remain standing*

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<i>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</i>

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with creation as we sing:

### **Sanctus**

Hymnal S125

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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



poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Joseph, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

### **Lord’s Prayer (spoken)**

#### **Fraction**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

#### **Invitation to Communion**



1 O what their joy and their glo - ry must be,  
 2 Tru - ly "Je - ru - sa - lem" name we that shore,  
 3 There, where no trou - bles dis - trac - tion can bring,  
 4 Now, in the mean - while, with hearts raised on high,  
 5 Low be - fore him with our prais - es we fall,



1 those end - less Sab - baths the bless - ed ones see;  
 2 ci - ty of peace that brings joy ev - er - more;  
 3 we the sweet an - thems of Zi - on shall sing;  
 4 we for that coun - try must yearn and must sigh,  
 5 of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;



1 crown for the val - iant, to wea - ry ones rest:  
 2 wish and ful - fill - ment are not sev - ered there,  
 3 while for thy grace, Lord, their voic - es of praise  
 4 seek - ing Je - ru - sa - lem, dear na - tive land,  
 5 of whom, the Fa - ther; and in whom, the Son;



1 God shall be all, and in all ev - er blest.  
 2 nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.  
 3 thy bless - ed peo - ple e - ter - nal - ly raise.  
 4 through our long ex - ile on Bab - y - lon's strand.  
 5 through whom, the Spi - rit, with them ev - er One.

Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Q quanta qualia*, melody from *Antiphoner*, 1681; harm. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

## Post Communion Prayer

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.

## Blessing

### Recessional

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*

Hymnal 493

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the Church in earth and heayen.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

## Dismissal

### Postlude

Fantasy in C Major

JS Bach

**Prayer is available at the altar.**

**Flowers are given by Jerry Taylor in loving memory of Yvonne Kaiser.**

**Those Who Serve**

**11:00am:**

**EMs:** David Cady, Jim Reynolds; **Lector:** Laurel Adams; **Intercessor:** Carolyn Cline-Griffiths; **Usher:** Tom Griffiths; **Altar Guild:** Jan Chatterton, Kathy Marcel, Betsi Wilson; **Altar Linens:** Betsi Wilson; **Nursery:** Barb Field, Kathy Marcel; **Flower Guild:** Mili Arias; **VPOD:** Tawanna Dutton; **Videographer:** Harry Baughn; **Ingles cards:** Jan Chatterton; **Greeter:** Sharon Faircloth

**Christian Education**

**Wednesday- Lectionary Bible Study**

We meet on Wednesdays at 1:00pm in the Undercroft. This group works through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. Please contact Fr. Bill for more information.

**Thursday- The Parables of Jesus**

During the month of August, we will meet each Thursday at 12pm in the Undercroft. Bring your Bible, your lunch & let's dig in!!! Please contact Fr. Bill for more information.

**Parish Life and Church Community**

**Coffee Hour-** Please join us after our 9 & 11am services Sunday morning for a time of fellowship!

For the next 2 weeks, we will have order forms available in the Parish Hall during both Coffee Hours and you can order your very own festive, multi-colored, short sleeved, **tie-dyed t-shirt!** And just in time for the cooler weather...Hoodies!! The **zip front hoodies** are navy blue with our Good Shepherd logo printed on the front left. If you'd like either of these items, please complete an order form and return to Kathy Wright or Mary Ann Miller, who can also answer any questions you may have.

Attention hikers and Alpine Foodies- Join us on **September 6th** as we'll meet in the church parking lot at **10 am** to drive to **Ana Ruby Falls** outside of Helen. After our hike we'll go into Helen to enjoy some fellowship and lunch. If you have a senior National Park pass please bring it with you. Please sign up in the Parish Hallway.

The **Bethel Guidry Scholarship** awards 2 scholarships each year to deserving students at the 2 local high schools. Our Annual **Golf Tournament** raises money for these scholarships and will be held this year on **September 20<sup>th</sup>**. Donations payable to Good Shepherd (memo: Golf Tournament) can be left in the church office, in the offering plate, or with Sanford or Kevin in the parish hall after services. Additionally, volunteers are needed to help serve lunch and run the fund raising games on the 20<sup>th</sup>. See Kevin Conley or Sanford Freeman if you have questions.

**Spiritual Journaling**, a spiritual practice that incorporates Gratitude, Paying Attention, and Reflection is a powerful tool for self-development & awareness and spiritual growth. There are many different journaling methods, and when starting out, it can be unclear where to begin, or what technique to use. If you're interested in journaling, you are invited to join in a time to learn from one another and share our journaling experiences. Our class will be held from 10-11:30am in the Library each Thursday in September: 4, 11, 18, 25. Please, contact Carol Smucker with questions/interest: 706-994-8104 or [carolsmucker@hotmail.com](mailto:carolsmucker@hotmail.com)

The "ber" months are here. It's time to **clean up the church grounds** and put things to rest for the winter. If you're available and would like to come help, we'll be gathering at the church on **September 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am**. Lunch will be provided and we ask that you **please sign-up** if you plan to participate. Bring your gloves, clippers and anything you might need to get the job done! Please call Jeff with any questions: 423-744-4107.

**Deadline for Sunday Bulletin Announcements and Weekly Highlights –**  
No later than Wednesday of each week at noon

## Service

**Matt's Ministry** – Contact Joe Rybicki

**Meal Ministry** – Contact Kathy Wright

**Medical Loan Closet** – Contact Helga Reaves

**The Order of St. George** – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

**Brotherhood of the Fire** – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

**Meals For Friends**– Contact Aline Conley at 504-214-1909

Drivers on **August 26, 2025** are:

Town: David & Teresa Gribble

City: Kanute Rarey

Tusquittee: Dave & Barb Field

## In Our Prayers

**Those in Need of Comfort and Healing:** *Pat Fox, Pat Halloran, Chosh Dacey, Linda Wingo, Pat Hicks, BJ and Bob Schweikert, Bev Larson, Chris Mulholland, Patti and Chuck Underwood, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Rich Broszeit, Ann Wolf, Wally Figura, Ella Angelillo, Philip Bannister, Kathy Wright, Frank Burdo, Helen NaiSmith, Teresa and David Gribble, Mary Strange, Cooper Godfrey, OV Lewis, Shiloh Farmer, Sallie Free, Brenda Scheneman, Meagan Borro, Tom and Angela Wilkerson, Adelaide Fullilove, Sharon and Rick Sanderson, Shane Douylliez, Janice Lemaire, Jay Miller, Anne Hourdequin, Megan Hoffer, Suzi Herbert, Kelly Crawford, Chuck & Renee Bateman & family*

**Good Shepherd Ministries** – This week we pray for the *Mountain of Faith Endowment and Board Ministry* at Good Shepherd.

## Calendar

### **Monday**

***August 25***

9:00 am	Exercise Class
9:00 am	Women Walking, Women Talking @ Chatuge Dam
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl
10:00 am	Private Group (Library)

### **Tuesday**

***August 26***

10:00 am	Yoga
6:00 pm	Brotherhood of the Fire
6:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
7:00 pm	Soaking Prayer

### **Wednesday**

***August 27***

9:00 am	Exercise
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
1:00 pm	Lectionary

### **Thursday**

***August 28***

6:45 am	Order of St. George
10:00 am	Yoga
10:00 am	Kitchen Reserved (10am-4pm)
12:00 pm	Parables of Jesus (Undercroft)
	September Newsletter Article Deadline!
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal

### **Friday**

***August 29***

9:00 am	Exercise Class
10:00 am	Kitchen Reserved (10am-4pm)
	Parish Office Closed

### **Saturday**

***August 30***

10:00 am	Kitchen Reserved (10am-4pm)
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### **Sunday**

***August 31***

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II

**Jesus Christ, Head of the Church**

The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop  
The Rev. Dr. Bill Breedlove, Rector  
The Rev. Dr. Delmer Chilton, Theologian in Residence  
The Rev. Beverly Braine, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Dcn. Turner Guidry (Ret.)  
Mary Carol Campbell, Organist  
Teresa Lemaire, Director of Music  
Susan Wyman, Bookkeeper  
Kevin Conley, Treasurer  
Tawanna Dutton, Assistant Treasurer  
Liz Rybicki, Nursery Supervisor  
Jon Czarnecki, Sexton  
Amanda Farmer, Parish Administrator

**VESTRY**

Sr. Warden: David Gribble; Jr. Warden: Phil Cox  
Class of 2025: Patti Brownlee, David Gribble, Pam Roman  
Class of 2026: Phil Cox, Tawanna Dutton, Betsi Wilson  
Class of 2027: Jose Arias, Aline Conley, Jeff King

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