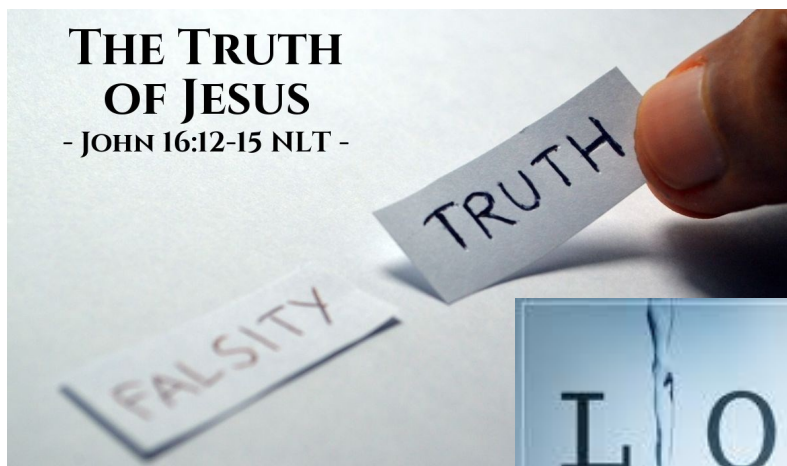




Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
Weekly Highlights
June 13, 2025



TRINITY SUNDAY



The mystery of God revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Happy Father's Day!!!



Good Shepherd Friends: Many thanks for the fabulous Retirement Party you gave for Keith and me. What fun! You thought of everything. I so appreciated it all: the food, flowers, decorations, cards, pictures, memories, the sentiments, the gift.

But most of all I thank you for your friendship and love.

Sincerely,

Carol Smucker



WOW, just WOW!!!

Thank you so much for the amazing "retirement" party this past Sunday. What a great gathering of our "family" to send us off on our new adventures. We will not be leaving the church, just spending more time traveling and visiting with our son and D-I-L and our new grand-daughter (due in November). It has been my pleasure and joy to lead this choir for the past 13 years. Thank you to the parish for allowing me to be a bit goofy and silly at times. We made some great music together and I look forward to the choir continuing under "new Management" and me singing in the bass section and Suzy in the alto section. If my voice holds up, I will try to bring a solo every now and again.

Also, thank you for the extremely generous gift. You all outdid yourselves in your generosity and love. This parish and its people are what make this place so awesome. We have no plans to leave Hayesville or Good Shepherd and we hope to continue to sing and praise, as long as our voices hold out.

Thank you again for being such an amazing place to belong and worship.

God loves you and so do we.

Keith & Suzy

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Christian Education

Lectionary Bible Study –

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

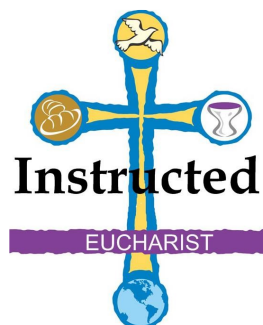
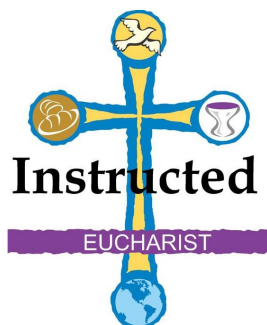


Reading Mark

Mondays at 10 AM, June 9 -30 in the Library

The earliest written of the four Gospels, the Gospel according to Mark provides much material found in both Matthew and Luke. Those Gospels borrow heavily from Mark but reorganize and extend that borrowed text to make their own witness to the mission and ministry of God in Jesus Christ. Mark has been considered lesser than the other Gospels: lesser as a piece of literature, lesser theologically, lesser as a basis for liturgy, lesser as a call to mission. A closer examination of Mark, however, reveals some of its genius and why it is the first among the Gospels.

Bring your Bibles as we read Mark and discover some of its riches. This will be the first in a series of short courses on the four Gospels.



Instructed Eucharist

Sunday June 22 and 29 @ 1:00 PM, in the Nave

Eucharist, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, is the principal act of worship in our Episcopal tradition. Understanding its structure, component elements, and some of its history and intentions can add depth of meaning and new or renewed spiritual engagement. Eucharist can mean so much more when through a slow and intentional examination you come to see and understand what is being done and why. All are welcome to this experience of instructed Eucharist.

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Parish Life and Church Community

Coffee Hour- Please join us after our 11am service Sunday morning for a time of fellowship! Reminder: June 15th, being the 3rd Sunday of the month, the Cursillo/3- day renewal folks will sponsor the coffee hour and reserve 2 tables for anyone who would like to participate in a Group Reunion. All are welcome (even if you have not attended a 3-day weekend).



Attention Good Shepherds:

Your Arts and Spirituality Steering Committee has begun work on preparing a booklet of Meditations for Advent. You are invited to submit a favorite poem, photo, scripture or an Advent tradition/memory to the committee to be considered for inclusion in the final publication. Watch for detailed submission guidelines in the July newsletter. The deadline for submission is September 22nd. To get those creative juices flowing, an example of the 2020 Lenten booklet is on display on the hall bulletin board for you to review.

WOMEN WALKING continues at Chatuge Dam, Monday mornings. However, our time has changed to 9:00 am. We go earlier during the summer months, as the weather is more friendly for exercise. All the Good Women of Good Shepherd are invited to join this walking, talking enterprise. All ability and endurance levels of walking are welcome.



On Tuesday, **June 17th** we are hosting our **Cancer Support Group** in the Parish Hall at **5pm**. We are hoping to offer support to those on the journey of dealing with, surviving, and/or caring for someone with cancer. Bring something to share in thoughts, ideas, and of course some food. Contact Jose Arias by email if you can't attend in person but would like to be part of the meeting by zoom: jose_m_arias@hotmail.com

Our Office will be closed on Thursday, June 19th, in observance of Juneteenth.

As a reminder, our Parish Office Hours are:
Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-3:00pm.

Should you have a need outside of our office hours requiring Fr. Bill's immediate attention, please reach out to him on his number found in the directory.



Happy Father's Day!!!

Parish Life – Your parish life ministry is sponsoring this month two opportunities for fun and fellowship.

Join us at 5 PM this coming Thursday for **Pizza and Game Night**, and on Friday the 27th for an evening of Asheville Tourists baseball.

Contact Mili or Jose Arias for more information.



Blueberry Festival Sunday, July 20th

Nothing says “summer” like fresh blueberries! Let’s celebrate everything blueberry with an “all you can eat” pancake feast on [Sunday, July 20th](#) after the 11 AM service. Sausage and applesauce will accompany the pancakes.

In addition to appetizing, blueberry, pancakes and syrup, “everything blueberry” baked goods will be available for purchase. GSEC bakers are pulling out all the stops for delicious contributions. Sign up for contributions in the hallway or contact Kathy Rarey at kprarey@yahoo.com.

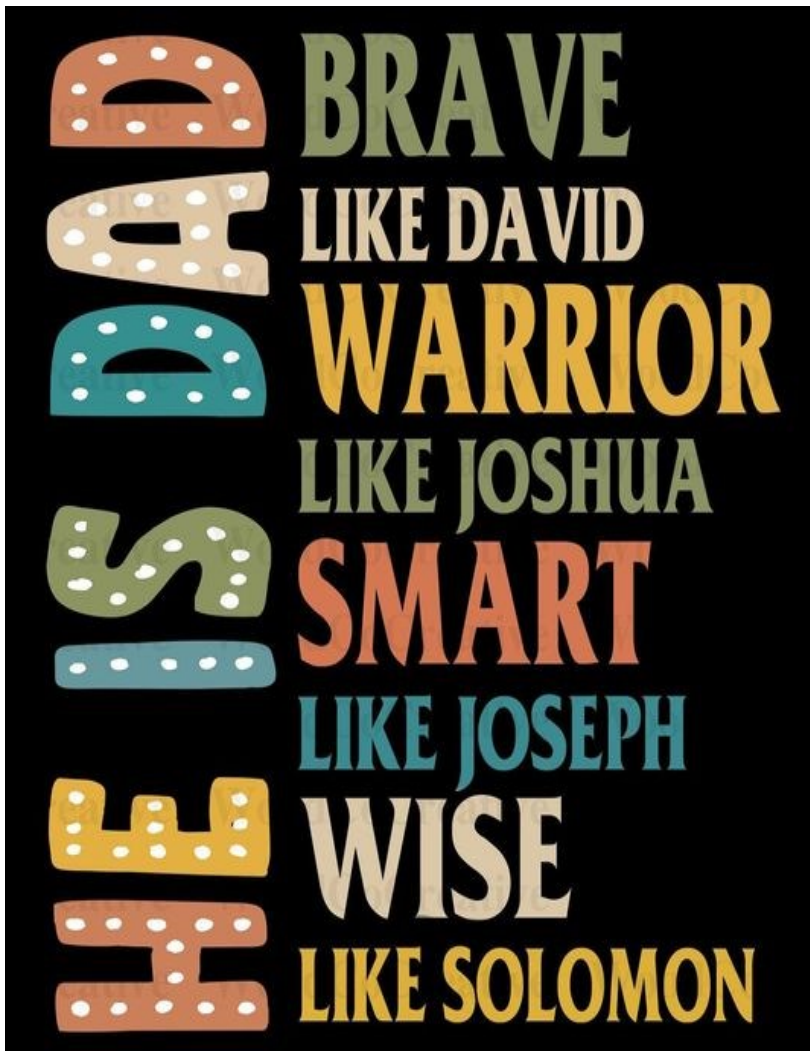
Additionally, our Good Shepherd artists and crafters are invited to showcase their talents. Items will be marked either for sale or for display. All mediums are encouraged. We are unable to hang or mount anything to the walls, but will have tables for display as well as some stands. Registration forms for contributions are in an envelope on the bulletin board in the hallway. Deadline for registration is July 6. Contact Betsy Wilson with questions at betsiwilson@gmail.com.

No tickets will be sold. A suggested donation of \$10 is requested at the door. Proceeds will be applied to the dental fund of GSEC.

For additional information, contact Patty Brownlee at brownleepj@aol.com or Jan Freeman at jansfreeman@gmail.com.



Happy Father's Day!!!



I've combined a laxative with alphabet soup.
I call it letter rip! ~Jose Arias

A slice of apple pie is \$2.50 in Jamaica and \$3.00
in the Bahamas. These are the pie rates of the
Caribbean. ~Fr. Bill

My friend keeps saying "cheer up man it could
be worse, you could be stuck underground in a
hole full of water." I know he means well.
~ Fr. Bill

Justice is a dish best served cold, if it were
served warm it would be justwater. ~ Fr. Bill

What do you call a French man wearing sandals?
Philippe Fallop. ~ Fr. Bill

Did you hear about the Priest that became a
Lawyer? He's a Farther-in-Law!
~Keith Christensen

A Father's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father,

On this day, we gather our thoughts and prayers to honor the fathers among us. We give thanks for their unending dedication, their quiet strength, and their boundless love that shapes our lives in countless ways.

Bless them with the joy of seeing their efforts flourish in the lives of their children. Grant them peace and wisdom, patience and fortitude, as they navigate the responsibilities of fatherhood. May they feel acknowledged and appreciated, not just today, but every day.

As we celebrate today, let us remember those who may find this day difficult—those who miss their fathers, and fathers who miss their children. Offer them comfort and hope. Remind them that love transcends all distance and time.

We ask you to guide all fathers to lead with compassion, to teach with patience, and to inspire with integrity. May they recognize the impact of their roles and feel proud of their contribution to the tapestry of life.

In you Perfect, Holy, Redemptive, Awesome name!!!
Amen.

Happy Father's Day!!!



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 **June 17, 2025** are:

Town: Aline Conley

City: Kanute Rarey

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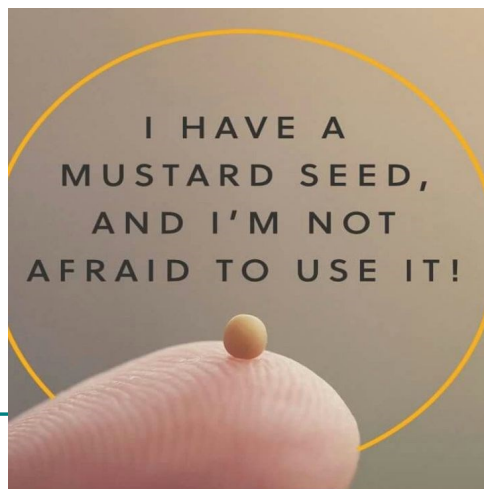
In Our Prayers

Those in Need of Comfort and Healing-

Pat Fox, Pat Halloran, Chosh Dacey, Linda Wingo, Pat Hicks, BJ and Bob Schweikert, Bev Larson, Patti and Chuck Underwood, Chris Mulholland, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Rich Broszeit, Gayle Cox, 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, Jon Czarnecki, Glenn Marcel, Mary Stewart King, Don Roman

Good Shepherd Ministries –

This week we pray for the Blood Drive Ministry at Good Shepherd.



Happy Father's Day!!!

Those Who Serve



Father's Day, Sunday, June 15, 2025

9:00 am:

EMs: Elizabeth Rybicki, Deanna DuBose; **Lector:** Michael Wright;
Intercessor: Stacy Overlin; **Usher:** Amy Nicolson;
Altar Guild: Patricia Champ; **VPOD:** David Gribble;
Ingles cards: Joe Rybicki

11:00 am:

EMs: David Cady, Jane Boritz; **Lector:** Barbara Field;
Intercessor: Jerry Taylor; **Usher:** Mike Stringer;
Altar Guild: Pat Halloran, Beth Hitchcock, Mary Stewart King;
Altar Linens: Mary Stewart King; **Nursery:** Liz Rybicki, **NOT FILLED!;**
Flower Guild: Rachel Baughn; **VPOD:** David Gribble;
Videographer: Tom Griffiths; **Ingles cards:** Dave & Barb Field;
Greeter: Betty Cooper

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Leader: Carolyn Cline-Griffiths
Prayer Minister: Elizabeth Rybicki

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Altar Guild: Gail Criss

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday

June 16

9:00 am	Exercise Class
9:00 am	Women Walking, Women Talking @ Chatuge Dam
10:00 am	Reading Mark

Tuesday

June 17

10:00 am	Yoga
5:00 pm	Cancer Support Group
6:00 pm	Brotherhood of the Fire
7:00 pm	Soaking Prayer

Wednesday

June 18

9:00 am	Newsletter Article Deadline! Exercise
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist w/Healing Prayer
1:00 pm	Lectionary

Thursday

June 19

10:00 am	Office Closed– Juneteeth Yoga
5:00 pm	Parish Life– Pizza & Game Night

Friday

June 20

9:00 am	Exercise Class
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Saturday

June 21

11:00 am	Memorial Service– Doris Etler
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Sunday

June 22

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
1:00 pm	Instructed Eucharist



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B I B L E

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

When in sorrow.....	John 14
When men fail you.....	Psalm 27
When you have sinned.....	Psalm 51
When you have worry.....	Matthew 6:19-34
When you are in danger.....	Psalm 91
When God seems far away.....	Psalm 139
When your faith needs stirring.....	Hebrews 11
When you are lonely and fearful.....	Psalm 23
When you grow bitter and critical.....	1 Cor. 13
When you feel down and out.....	Romans 8:31-39
When you want peace and rest.....	Matthew 11:25-30
When the world seems bigger than God	Psalm 90
When you want Christian assurance.....	Romans 8:1-30
When you leave home for labor or travel.....	Psalm 121
When your prayers grow narrow or selfish.....	Psalm 67
When you want courage for a task.....	Joshua 1
When you think of investments/returns.....	Mark 10
How to get along with fellowmen.....	Romans 12
For great invention/opportunity.....	Isaiah 55
For Paul's secret to happiness.....	Col. 3:12-17
If you want to be fruitful.....	John 15
If your pocketbook is empty.....	Psalm 37
If your losing confidence in people.....	1Cor. 13
If people seem unkind.....	John 15
If discouraged about your work.....	Psalm 126
If you find the world growing small, and you great.....	Psalm 19

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