



Good Shepherd Episcopal Church The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 25, 2026

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

Holy Eucharist – 9:00 a.m.

Salutation

Book of Common Prayer p. 323

Celebrant
People

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

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Readings

(See 11:00am service)

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

The Psalm

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

The Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

Homily	The Rev. Dr. Bill Breedlove
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	
<i>All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.</i>	1 Chronicles 29:14b
Great Thanksgiving	
Eucharistic Prayer II	Book of Common Prayer p. 340
Lord's Prayer	
Breaking of the Bread	
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	
Dismissal	

Prayer is available at the altar.

Those Who Serve:
9:00am

EMs: Kelly Williams, Randy Williams; **Lector:** Amy Nicolson;
Intercessor: Kathy Rarey; **Usher:** Kanute Rarey; **Altar Guild:** Mary Rose Figura;
VPOD: Jeff King; **Ingles cards:** Paul Swanson; **Flower Guild:** Helga Reaves

Calendar

Monday

October 26

9:00 am	Exercise Class (Parish Hall)
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl
10:30 am	Tai Chi (Parish Hall)
11:00 am	Private Group (Undercroft)

Tuesday

October 27

9:00 am	Meals for Friends Yoga w/Rita (Parish Hall)
10:00 am	Chair Yoga (Parish Hall)
2:00 pm	Healing Prayer Meeting
5:00 pm	Soaking Prayer
6:00 pm	Vestry Meeting (Undercroft)
6:00 pm	BOTF

Wednesday

October 28

9:00 am	Exercise (Parish Hall)
10:30 am	Moving Meditation (Parish Hall)
11:30 am	Private Group (Undercroft)
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
1:00 pm	Lectionary Bible Study

Thursday

October 29

9:00 am	Yoga w/Rita (Parish Hall)
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Friday

October 30

9:00 am	Church Office Closed Exercise Class (Parish Hall)
10:30 am	Tai Chi (Parish Hall)

Saturday

October 31

4:00 pm	Parish Life Event- Trunk or Treat @ Hayesville Square
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Sunday

November 1

10:00 am	23 Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:30 pm	In-gathering Brunch (Parish Hall)

Holy Eucharist – 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Fantasia on a Scottish Folk Tune
Sharon- Piano, Mary Carol Campbell, organ

arr. Robert Hughes

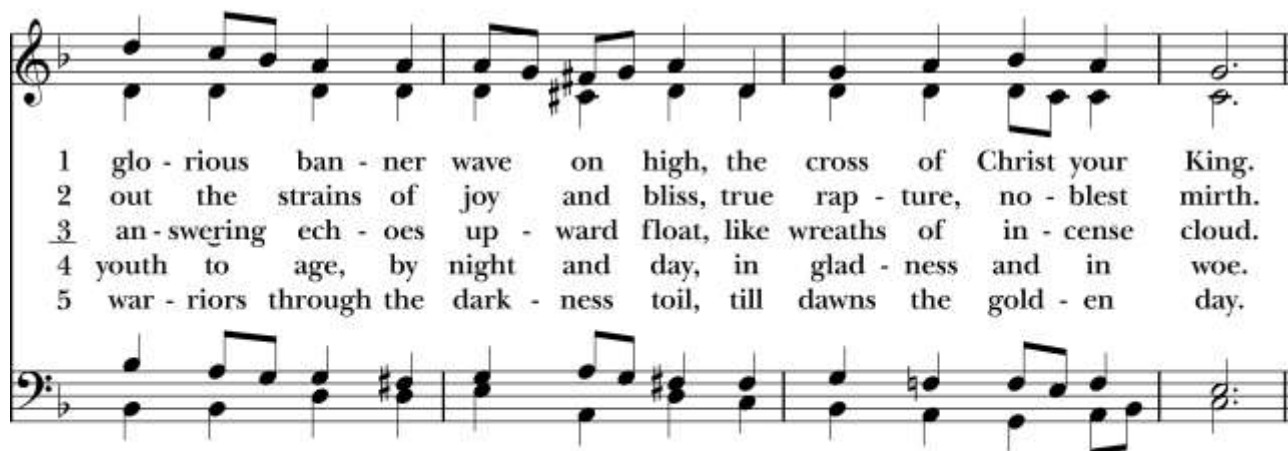
Processional

Rejoice ye pure in heart

Hymnal 556



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your
2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour
3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while
4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from
5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as



1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.
4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.
5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.

Refrain



Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.
re - joice, re - joice,

*6 At last the march shall end;
the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their Father's house,
Jerusalem the blest.

Refrain

*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high
the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891). Music: Marion, Arthur Henry Messiter (1834-1916).

Salutation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for 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

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land,

and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Domine, refugium

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we

speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

Hymn *O Jesus I have promised (vs. 1-2)* Hymnal 655

1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end;
 2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,
 be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;
 I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
 nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt. Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948).
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Matthew 22:34-46

Celebrant	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People	<i>Glory to you, Lord Christ.</i>

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet”?”

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Celebrant <i>People</i>	The Gospel of the Lord. <i>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</i>
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Hymn *O Jesus I have promised (v3)* Hymnal 655

Homily The Rev. Dr. Bill Breedlove

Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Prayers of the People: Form III Book of Common Prayer p. 387

Confession of Sin Book of Common Prayer p. 393

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Peace

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	<i>And also with you.</i>

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory This Is My Father's World, by Franklin L. Sheppard
 Janice Lemaire, oboe
 Teresa Lemaire, flute

Doxology (v. 3) Hymnal 380

Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A Book of Common Prayer 361

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 him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant

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

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:

Sanctus S-125

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had
fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus
Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a
perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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,

Lord's Prayer

OUR FATHER

from Mass for the King of Glory

Betty Carr Pulkingham

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Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread, For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us, Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men. A-men.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

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

Invitation to Communion

1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may va - nish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the dark - ness clears a way.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885). Music: *Picardy*, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

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 God of Bethel by whose hand*

Hymnal 709



1 O God of Beth - el, by whose hand thy peo - ple still are fed;
 2 Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent be - fore thy throne of grace;
 3 Through each per - plex - ing path of life our wan - dering foot - steps guide;
 4 O spread thy shel - tering wings a - round, till all our wan - derings cease,
 5 Such bless - ings from thy gra - cious hand our hum - ble prayers im - plore;



1 who through this earth - ly pil - grim - age hast all thine Is - rael led:
 2 O God of Is - rael, be the God of this suc - ceed - ing race.
 3 give us each day our dai - ly bread, and rai - ment fit pro - vide.
 4 and at our Fa - ther's loved a - bode our souls ar - rive in peace!
 5 and thou shalt be our cov - enant God and por - tion ev - er - more.



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Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt. Music: *Dundee*, melody from *The CL Psalms of David*, 1615; fauxbourdon *The Psalms of David in Prose and Meeter*, 1635.

Dismissal

Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

arr. Stephen Douglas

Prayer is available at the altar.

Those Who Serve:

11:00 am

EMs: Ron Dutton, Georgia Bethel; **Lector:** Jane Boritz; **Usher:** Mike Stringer;

Altar Guild: Jan Freeman, Kathy Marcel, Betsi Wilson;

Intercessor: Jerry Taylor; **Altar Linens:** Betsi Wilson;

Nursery: Hattie Sheehy, Liz Rybicki; **VPOD:** Jane Boritz; **Ingles cards:** Dave & Barb Field;

Videographer: Jay Miller; **Flower Guild:** Helga Reaves; **Greeter:** Kim Brabon

Christian Education

Lectionary Bible Study - This group works through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. This Bible Study has now resumed on Wednesdays at 1:00pm. Please contact Fr. Bill for more information.

Parish Life and Church Community

Hayesville Community Trick or Treat - Good Shepherd will be on the square in Hayesville on Saturday, October 31st @ 4pm for the annual community trick or treat. Your donation of individually wrapped candy is welcome. Please use the collection bucket in the narthex.

Diaper Ministry Update: As you know, our Diaper Ministry supplies diapers and pull-ups to Matt's Ministry on a regular basis. At this time there is **a need for larger sizes - size 7 and 8 diapers and size 5T-6T pull-ups**. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Marcel.

In-gathering Sunday is scheduled for **November 1**. We ask that you have your pledge and time and talent cards returned to the church by that day so that we can gather them up on the altar as an offering to the Lord. We will celebrate our in-gathering with **one service of Holy Eucharist at 10 AM and a brunch to follow**. We will celebrate our in-gathering with **one service of Holy Eucharist at 10 AM and a brunch to follow**. The Vestry is providing the main course of spiral sliced ham. Please **sign up** to bring some of your **favorite side dishes** and **volunteer to assist** for our special event. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

November 1 is All Saints Day and we will remember all our faithful departed with a reading of names. If you have loved ones you wish remembered, please see and add their names to the sign-up sheet in the hallway.

Crèche Making Class with Joy Fox on **Thursday, November 5th from 1-4 pm** in the Undercroft. All supplies included. Class limited to 20 participants. Sign-up sheets are on the Bulletin Board.

CHRISTMAS CARD STAMPING BUFFET! Get started on your Christmas cards by attending our Christmas Card Buffet on **Thursday, November 12th from 12:30 - ~4:00p** in the Parish Hall. You will make up to 5 cards (time permitting) from a selection of 8 Christmas designs. Included in the choices will be gift card holders.

Cost is \$25 for 4-5 handmade cards. Light snacks will be provided. The class is limited to 16 participants so sign up soon. If the spots are filled, please add your name to the wait list and we will notify you if an opening occurs. For newcomers, all supplies will be furnished. If you decide to continue joining us on a regular basis, we will make you a basic supply box for a small fee. Please sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hallway or RSVP to Kaye TeRonde at kteronde@gmail.com or Jan Freeman at jansfreeman@gmail.com.

Deadline to sign up is Friday, November 6th. If you sign up but find you are no longer able to attend, let Kaye or Jan know so we can offer the spot to someone else.

Reminiscing for the Holidays with Kanute Rarey on Saturday, November 21st from **10 - 11:30am** in the Parish Hall. Coffee and danish from 9:30 - 10am. Please sign-up in the hallway.

Save the Date: We will have an **Advent Quiet Day** event on Saturday morning, **December 5th, 10-12 in the Parish Hall**. More details will follow, but for now, save the date.

Attention Blood Donors! Save the Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2026.

Good Shepherd will host a Red Cross Blood Drive from 12:30 - 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall. You may sign up now for your preferred appointment time by calling 1-800-RedCross (1-800-733-2767) or at www.redcrossblood.org.

Monthly Newsletter – If you have something you'd like published in the monthly newsletter, you must email it to Amanda at gsepiscopal@brmemc.net **no later than the 20th of the month preceding the month you would like the item to appear**. Anything received after the 20th of the month will not be in the newsletter until the following month.

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 **October 27, 2026** are:

Town: Suzy Christensen

City: Linda Milt

Tusquittee: Dave & Barb Field

In Our Prayers

Those in Need of Comfort and Healing: *Pat Fox, Denise Fox, Pat Halloran, Chosh Dacey, Helen NaiSmith, Linda Wingo, Pat Hicks, BJ and Bob Schweikert, Bev Larson, Chris Mulholland, Patti Underwood, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Richard Broszeit, Ann Wolf, Frank Burdo, Teresa and David Gribble, Jim Redmond, Cooper Godfrey, Jay Miller, Adelaide Fullilove, Anne Hourdequin, Lynne Walters, Kenny Waldroup, Jose and Mili Arias, Helga Reaves, Bryson Joyce, Janet Beall, Kim Brabon, Jennifer Hiller, Deb Sellers, Kim Whitehearst, John Notchie, Pat and Graham Dixon, Glenn Marcel, Matt Cramer, Andrew Hooper, Duncan Lawrence, the Waters family, Noelia Bernal & family*

Good Shepherd Ministries – This week we pray for the *Stewardship Campaign* here at Good Shepherd.



Rooted in Faith, Growing in Generosity

As we come to the end of this stewardship campaign, let's remember what our giving is all about. A quote from Mother Teresa:

"The password of the early Christians was joy, so let us serve the Lord with joy. Joy is love, joy is prayer, joy is strength. God loves a person who gives joyfully, and if you give joyfully, you always give more. A joyful heart is a heart burning with love."

In 2 Corinthians 9:6-7, we read: "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Please try to have your Pledge Cards as well as Time & Talent Cards (with your name on them) submitted by NEXT SUNDAY, In-gathering Sunday (November 1), when your gifts will be blessed. Please plan to stay after our 10am service for our In-gathering Brunch, celebrating our Parish's continued love, faith and generosity!

2026 Christmas Care

Most of us see Christmas as a joyous time to spend with family and friends, worship, eat well and exchange gifts, but it's no secret that Christmas is a stressful time for those who find life challenging. There are families in our community that have a difficult time meeting their kids' clothing needs; new shoes and warm winter coats often stretch budgets to the breaking point.

Good Shepherd is a major supporter of Christmas Care, a Hinton Center program that helps provide clothing for children in need. Last year Christmas Care helped meet the clothing needs of over 500 children. This year parents will be given the opportunity to shop for baby, children and youth clothing at the Murphy Walmart on prearranged days. Christmas Care hopes to match or exceed last year's \$75.00 per child amount, but it all depends on donations.

How can we help? Good Shepherd is again putting up a Thanksgiving tree in the Narthex during November, and when you make a donation in any amount you can place an ornament on the tree. Make your checks to Good Shepherd with Christmas Care on the memo line. God is so good to us, one way we can give thanks is to cover our Thanksgiving tree with ornaments!



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 Lewis, Priest Associate
The Rev. Dcn. Turner Guidry (Ret.)
Mary Carol Campbell, Organist
Sharon Kyser, Pianist
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: Betsi Wilson
Sub Sr. Warden: Aline Conley
Jr. Warden: Tawanna Dutton
Sub Jr. Wardens: Jeff King (Grounds Maint.), Barry Benson (Indoor Maint.)
Community Life Team: Jose Arias, Jane Boritz, David Cady, Phil Cox
Class of 2026: Phil Cox, Tawanna Dutton, Betsi Wilson
Class of 2027: Jose Arias, Aline Conley, Jeff King
Class of 2028: Barry Benson, Jane Boritz, David Cady

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