



Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Weekly Highlights

April 18, 2025

Christian Education

Lectionary Bible Study – meets 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. This study group will not meet during Holy Week.

The significance of Good Friday lies in what it tells us about God.

The crux of the matter is reflected in *John 3:16*:

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

Good Friday marks the culmination of the sacrifice Christ made for man.



Parish Life and Church Community

Easter Luncheon- On April 20th, following our 11:00 am service & Easter Egg Hunt, Parish Life is hosting our annual Easter Luncheon. We will be supplying Ham and look forward to trying all of the wonderful dishes provided by our parish, as we celebrate our Lord's resurrection!!!

Good Shepherd's Women's Retreat- We currently have a good group of women going to our yearly retreat, May 23-25 at Lake Logan. There is a waiting list for those interested in attending. Please, contact Tawanna or Amanda to be put on the waiting list.

As a reminder, the cost of the retreat is \$200, due by **Monday, April 21**.

Photo Op!!! If you have not yet been photographed for the Good Shepherd online directory or would like to update your photo, **EASTER SUNDAY** is your opportunity. The Communications Committee particularly encourages newcomers to be photographed, so that longtime parishioners can match your names with your faces. Longtime members are encouraged to have their picture in the directory to help newer members get to know the parish better. Photographers will be available between the services and after the 11am service.

Deadline for May 2025 Newsletter-

Thursday, April 24, 2025



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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 **April 22, 2025** are:

Town: Aline Conley
City: Georgia Bethel
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, Bob Stillwell, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Rich Broszeit, Gayle Cox, Karen Rarey, Ann Wolf, Wally Figura, Jeremiah Lovell, Blake Sturgill, Pam Roman, Ella Angelillo, David Werdin, Randy Brown, EJ Caiazzo, Margaret Rybicki, Jason Edwards, Jay Miller, Philip Bannister, Kathy Wright, Suzi Herbert, Frank Burdo, Wilson Wetherbee, Sara Wilkes, George Webber III, Bob Forbes, Helen NaiSmith, Joan Norris, Doris Etler, Teresa and David Gribble, Stacey Maurer, Phil Klenke

Good Shepherd Ministries – This week we pray for the Library Ministry at Good Shepherd.

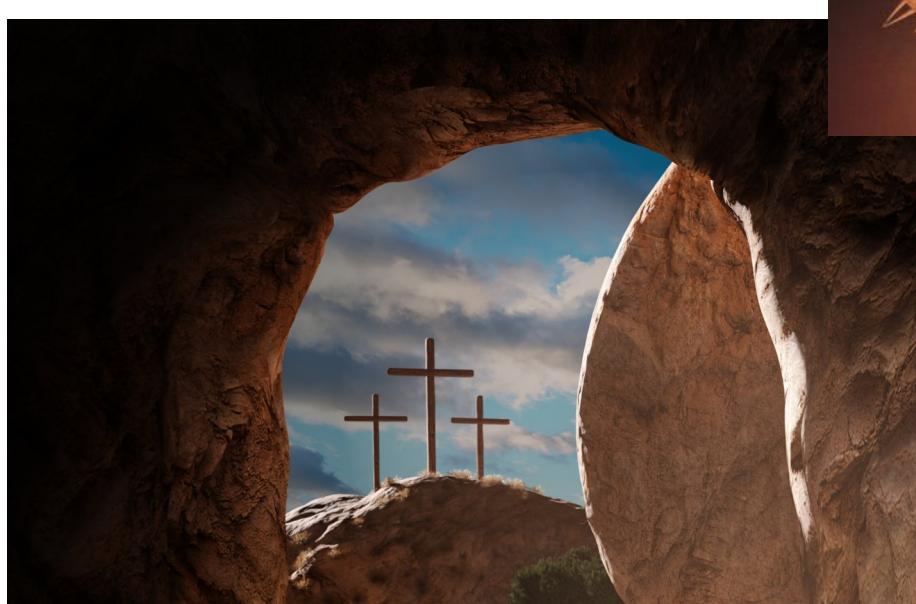


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Holy Week Calendar

April 18 Good Friday

7am- Stations of the Cross
12pm- Veneration of the Cross and
Holy Eucharist with hot cross buns
to follow



Today is Good Friday, the Friday before Easter Day, on which the church commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus. It is a day of fasting and special acts of discipline and self-denial.

April 20 Easter Sunday at 9 and 11am Feast of the Resurrection with community brunch and Easter egg hunt to follow





The Living Hope: 1 Peter 1:3

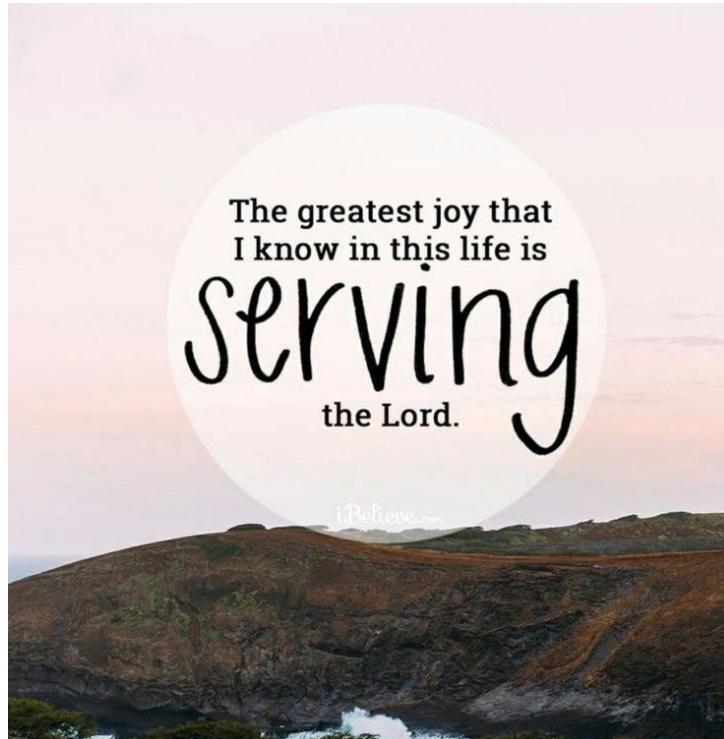
“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” Peter celebrates the “living hope” made possible by Jesus’ resurrection. This hope is not temporary but eternal, rooted in God’s mercy and grace. It inspires believers to live with confidence, knowing that their future is secure in Christ.



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Those Who Serve



Sunday, April 20, 2025

9:00 am:

EMs: Deanna Dubose, Beth Hitchcock; **Lector:** Kathy Rarey;
Intercessor: Mary Anne Koos; **Usher:** Kanute Rarey;
Altar Guild: Gail Criss

11:00 am:

EMs: David Cady, Janet Beall; **Lector:** Furie Soles;
Intercessor: Georgia Bethel; **Usher:** Carole Stringer;
Nursery: Barbara Field, Liz Rybicki;
VPOD: Phil Cox; **Videographer:** Glenn Marcel;
Greeter: Amy Nicolson

WEEKLY CALENDAR**Monday****April 21**

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

Tuesday**April 22**

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

Wednesday**April 23**

9:00 am	Exercise
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
1:00 pm	Lectionary
6:30 pm	Choir Practice

Thursday**April 24**

6:45 am	Order of St. George
10:00 am	Yoga

Friday**April 25**

9:00 am	Exercise Class
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Saturday**April 26**

No activities scheduled

Sunday**April 27**

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



Easter Prayer

Christ the Lord is risen. As all the world rejoices, Singing of His glory, with such joyful hearts and voices. May you find that Easter brings you Peace, Faith and HOPE anew. And may these blessings fill your heart with joy the whole year through.

Happy Easter

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