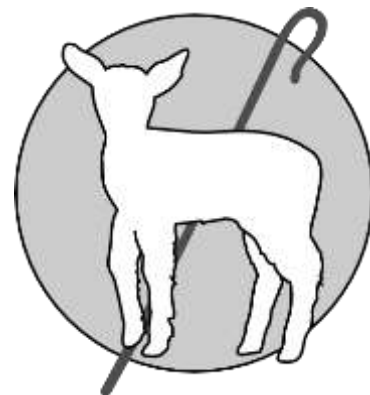


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
1 Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord

Sunday, January 11, 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. 299

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

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

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

Collect of the Day

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting.
Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 42: 1-9

The Psalm

Psalm 29

Second Reading

Acts 10: 34-43

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3: 13-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
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 Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Book of Common Prayer p. 292

Prayers of the People

Book of Common Prayer p. 328

Peace

Announcements

Holy Communion

Presentation of Our Gifts

All 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.

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 339

Blessing and Dismissal

Prayer is available at the altar.

Those Who Serve

9:00am:

EMs: Kathy Wright, Deanna DuBose; **Lector:** Kathy Rarey;

Intercessor: Michael Wright; **Usher:** Kanute Rarey; **Altar Guild:** Beth Hitchcock;

VPOD: Pam Roman; **Ingles cards:** Dave Field



Parish Annual Meeting

Our Parish Annual Meeting is
Sunday, January 25, 2026.

We will have 1 service at 10:00 am.

Rite I Holy Eucharist with a brunch and the
Annual Meeting to follow.

All are invited to bring a brunch item to share.

The Vestry will provide ham & biscuits.

Holy Eucharist – 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Concerto in A-Minor

Vivaldi - Bach

Processional

Songs of thankfulness and praise

Hymnal # 135

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen-dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding-guest, in thy God-head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
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 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

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

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People *One God and Father of all.*

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

Collect of the Day

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
 he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
 or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
 and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
 until he has established justice in the earth;
 and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
Thus says God, the LORD,
 who created the heavens and stretched them out,
 who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
 I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 29

Afferte Domino

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Second Lesson

Acts 10: 34-43

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

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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



1 The sin - less one to Jor - dan came,
 2 Up - ris - ing from the wat - ers there,
 3 A - bove him see the heav - en - ly Dove,
 4 How blest that mis - sion then be - gun
 5 O Christ, may we bap - tized from sin,
 6 On you may all your peo - ple feed,



1 and in the riv - er shared our stain;
 2 the Fa - ther's voice did then de - clare
 3 the sign of God the Fa - ther's love,
 4 to heal and save a race un - done!
 5 go forth with you a world to win:
 6 and know you are the Bread in - deed,



1 God's right - eous - ness he thus ful - filled,
 2 that Christ, the Son of God, had come
 3 now by the Ho - ly Spi - rit shed
 4 Straight to the wil - der - ness he goes
 5 grant us the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power
 6 who gives e - ter - nal life to those



1 and chose the path his Fa - ther willed.
 2 to lead his scat - tered peo - ple home.
 3 up - on the Son's a - noint - ed head.
 4 to wres - tle with his peo - ple's foes.
 5 to shield us in temp - ta - tion's hour.
 6 that with you died, and with you rose.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 3: 13-17

Celebrant
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus

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

Homily The Rev. Dr. Bill Breedlove

Prayers of the People: Form 3 Book of Common Prayer p. 387

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

Holy Communion

Doxology (v. 3) Hymnal 380

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.

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Sanctus

S-130

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.

Lord's Prayer

Blue Songbook p. 75

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

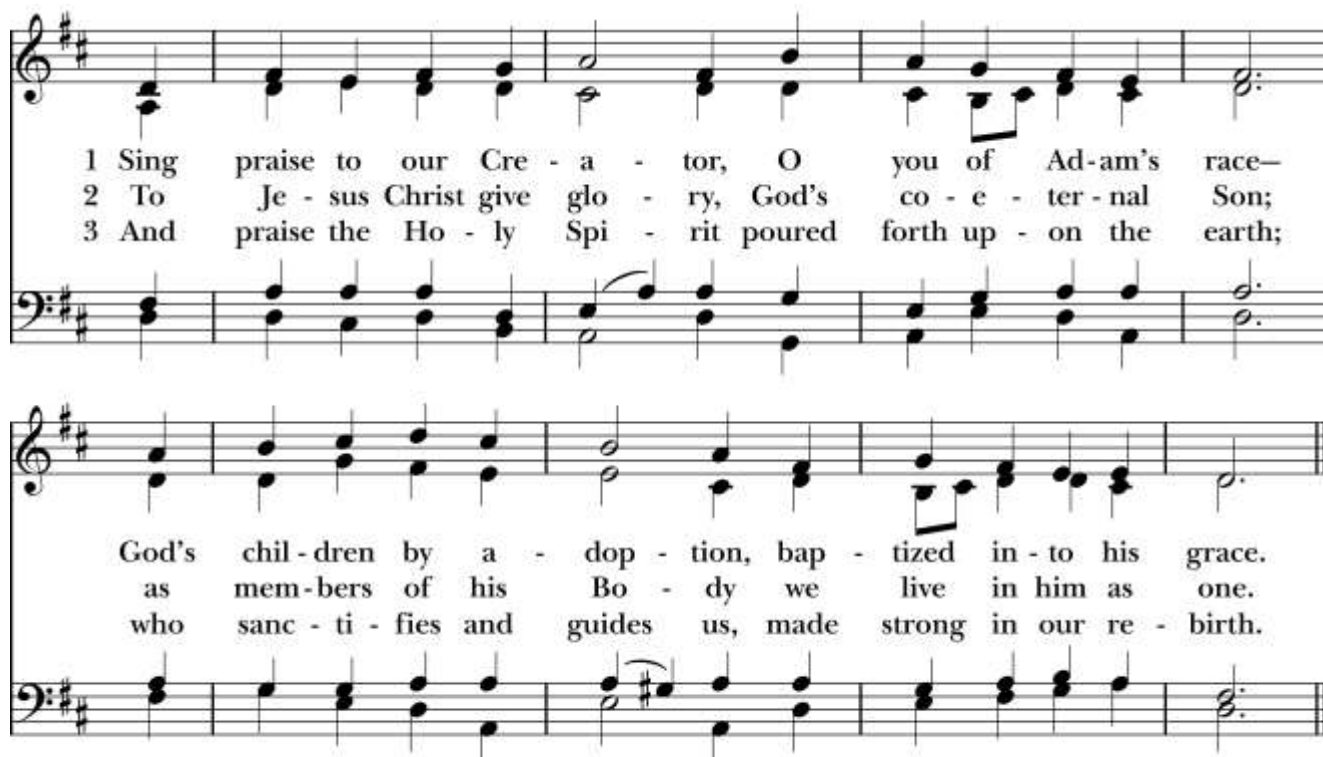
Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

People Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Communion

Sing praise to our Creator

Hymnal # 295



The image shows a musical score for a hymn, likely for Communion. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the staves. The first system of lyrics is: "1 Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O you of Ad-am's race—
2 To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;
3 And praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit poured forth up - on the earth;" The second system of lyrics is: "God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, bap - tized in - to his grace.
as mem - bers of his Bo - dy we live in him as one.
who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, made strong in our re - birth."

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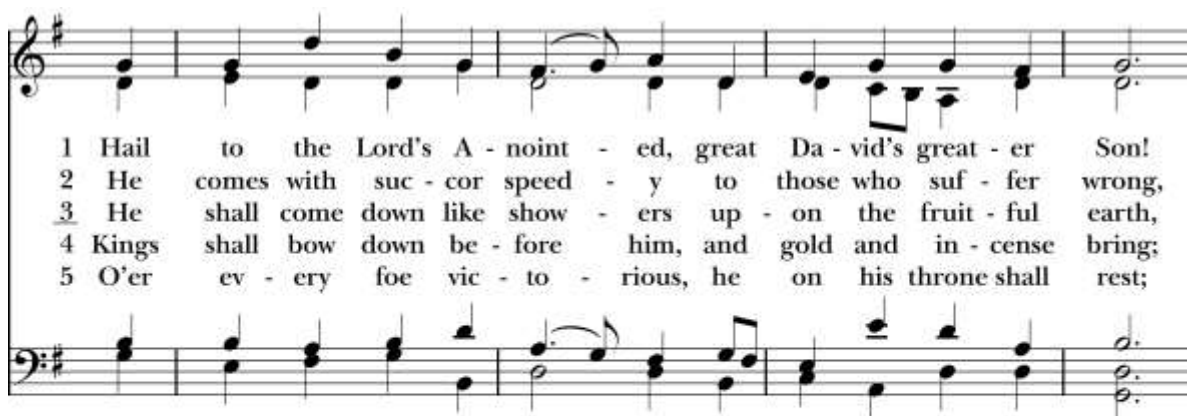
Celebrant and People

Post Communion Prayer

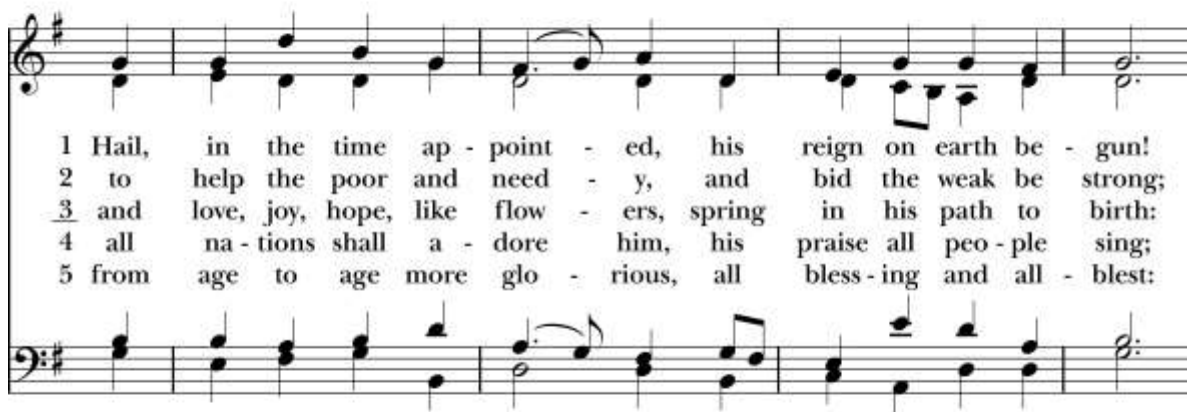
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Blessing



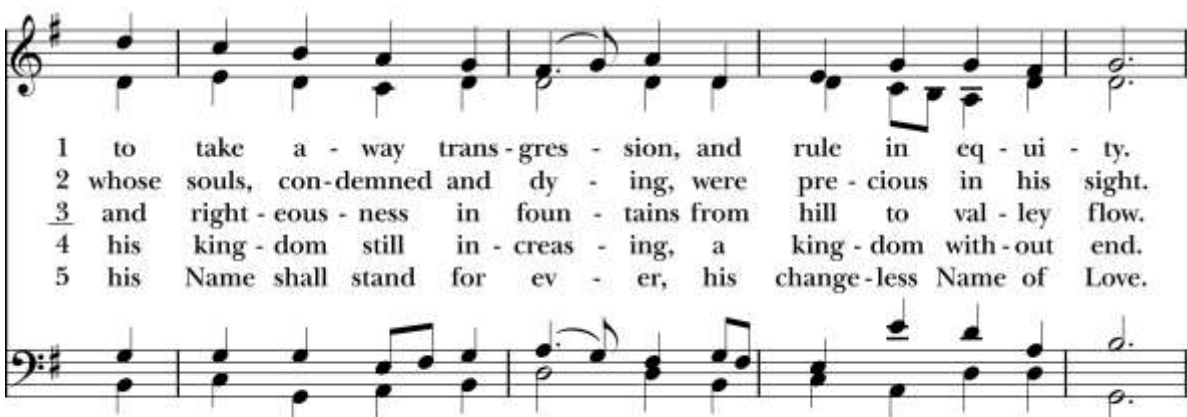
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight,
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72. Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm. *A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

Dismissal

Postlude

Little Prelude in C

JS Bach

Prayer is available at the altar rail

Those Who Serve:

11:00 am:

EMs: Janet Beall, Jane Boritz; **Lector:** Jerry Taylor;

Intercessor: Rachel Baughn; **Usher:** David Gribble;

Altar Guild: Georgia Bethel, Carolyn Cline-Griffiths, Tawanna Dutton;

Altar Linens: Carolyn Cline-Griffiths; **Nursery:** Jean Gora, Kathy Marcel;

VPOD: Jeff King; **Ingles cards:** Jan Freeman; **Videographer:** Mike Gora;

Greeter: Harry Baughn

Christian Education

Join us in the Parish Hall on Mondays (12p-1:30p) in **January** for **Theology Brown Bag**. Bring your lunch, an open mind and receptive heart, as we ponder all of the things concerning God and our lives as God's people.

Vestry News

Voting for new vestry members will take place after each service **January 11th & 18th**. To be eligible to vote, one must be a member of this parish. If you are not yet a member, please complete a membership form (forms can be found on the credenza in the Narthex) and return to the Office. If you are currently a member of another Episcopal Church, you must have your membership *transferred* to Good Shepherd in order to vote. By church law, only those who are members of this parish can vote in the vestry election. If you are unsure of your membership status or have other questions, please talk with Fr. Bill or Senior Warden, David Gribble.

Absentee Ballots- Absentee ballots **must be received at the church by 1:00 PM Sunday, January 18, 2026 to be counted.** You may send your ballot back via US Mail or hand deliver it. Either way, we must have your ballot **by 1:00 PM on Sunday, January 18, 2026**-for your vote to be counted.

Parish Life and Church Community

Pledge cards – If you have not yet completed and returned your pledge card for 2026, do not fear! You still have time. If you did not receive a pledge card and would like one, blank ones along with Time and Talent forms are located on the table near the choir room in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one.

Annual Meeting – The annual meeting will be held on January 25th following the 10:00am service. There will be a covered dish luncheon. Signup sheets will be posted in the hallway so please let us know if you will attend and what dish you'd like to bring. Please also let us know if you are able to help setup and/or cleanup.

Deadline for Monthly Newsletter—the 20th of the preceding month

Deadline for Sunday Bulletin Announcements and Weekly Highlights - no later than Wednesday of each week at noon.

End of Year Ministry Reports- Attention all Ministry Heads!!!

Please, submit your **End-Of-Year Report** to the church office by **Monday, January 12, 2026**. We need your report for inclusion of the annual parish report. Thank you for your timely submission!

SAVE THE DATE: Attention all Blood Donors - Good Shepherd will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, **March 23rd from 12:30 - 5:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. To make an appointment call 1-800-Redcross (1-800-733-2767) or go online at Redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are always welcome but appointments are handled first. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Marcel.

Ingles Cards— We sell Ingles Cards as a fundraiser. Church Outreach receives \$5.00 for every \$100 purchase. Our goal is to return to the impact the program achieved prior to the virus. Ingles cards are nice gifts for those who faithfully serve you through the year. Cards are available in \$100 & \$50 increments.

**Deadline for Sunday Bulletin, Announcements and Weekly Highlights-
Wednesday by 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 **January 13, 2026** are:

Town: Linda Milt

City: Aline Conley

Tusquittee: David & Teresa Gribble

In Our Prayers

Those in Need of Comfort and Healing:

Pat and Joy Fox, Denise 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 Richard Broszeit, Ann Wolf, Philip Bannister, Frank Burdo, Teresa and David Gribble, Cooper Godfrey, OV Lewis, Adelaide Fullilove, Shane Douylliez, Janice Lemaire, Anne Hourdequin, Mere Samsil, Jay Miller, Randy Emberg, Bob Wilkerson, Gail Rose, Jacob Halfon, Matt and Jennifer Cramer, Don Roman, Eileen Adams, Lynne and Mark Walter, Kenny and Stacy Waldroup, Sally Conaway, Kim Brabon, Jack Hungerford, Lynne Blanks, Steven Harper, Pat and Candi List, Carolyn Cline-Griffiths, Chris Stringer

Good Shepherd Ministries:

This week we pray for *The Meals for Friends Ministry* at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Calendar

Monday

January 12

9:00 am	Exercise Class
10:00 am	Women Walking, Women Talking @ Chatuge Dam
10:00 am	Library Maintenance
10:45 am	Tai Chi (Parish Hall)
11:00 am	Private Group (Undercroft)

Tuesday

January 13

10:00 am	Chair Yoga (Parish Hall)
5:00 pm	Soaking Prayer
6:00 pm	BOTF

Wednesday

January 14

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

Thursday

January 15

6:45 am	Order of St. George (Parish Hall)
10:00 am	Chair Yoga (Parish Hall)
6:30 pm	Choir Practice

Friday

January 16

9:00 am	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>
	Exercise Class

Saturday

January 17

No Scheduled Events

Sunday

January 18

***Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Vestry Voting!***

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist (I)
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist (II)
12:00 pm	Lunch & Cursillo (Parish Hall)
12:00 pm	EM & EV Meeting

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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