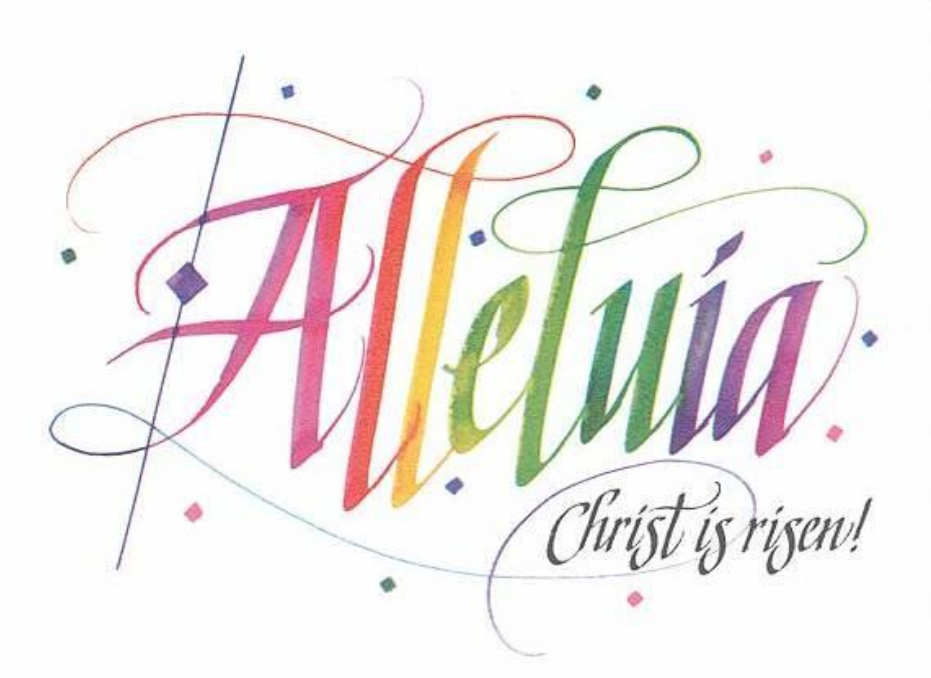
THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 5, 2026 AT 10:15 AM



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina. We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and to glorify God in our words and our actions.

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ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Know that you are most welcome, and we pray that you will return to worship with us again soon! Please do us the honor of filling out a Visitor Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack in front of you. If you fill out a physical card, please place it in the alms basin during the offertory or hand it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today. Thank you!

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Holy Eucharist: Rite II

This service bulletin is designed for use with the red or black Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982, both of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.

Voluntaries Christ lag in todesbanden, BWV 625 Johann Sebastian Bach
Canzon seconda a 4 Giovanni Gabrieli

Taken from Bach's "Orgelbüchlein", this setting of "Christ lag in todesbanden" is one of triumph, celebrating victory over death. See Hymn 186 to follow along with the text. Gabrieli's brilliant "Canzon seconda a 4" is joyful and triumphant.

Introit Easter Introit John Ferguson

Listen.
The One who bore God's heart, the One who spoke God's peace,
The One in whom God agonized is now the Risen Lord.
Death was no prison for him.
Jesus is raised and among us.
All that you see and hear comes from the One who was freed.
Listen. Hear, O people of God, that Jesus Christ is Lord.
Alleluia!

Please rise in body or in spirit when you hear the final Alleluia, and join in singing the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn: Hymnal 207 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Easter Hymn

Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Collect for Purity BCP, p. 355

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.**

Canticle 20: Hymnal S 278 Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*

1 Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
2 Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
3 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
4 you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
5 you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
6 For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
7 you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel & Godly Play

Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to the steps for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. They then depart for Godly Play, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson **Acts 10:34-43**

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
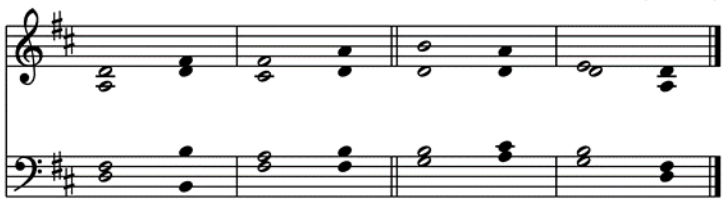
Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That 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."

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

The Response **Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

Confitemini Domino

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.
2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."
14 The Lord is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:
16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed *
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the Lord.
18 The Lord has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
he who is righteous may enter."
21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered
me* and have become my salvation.
22 The same stone which the builders
rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.
23 This is the Lord's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
†24 On this day the Lord has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Lesson **Colossians 3:1-4**

Lector A reading from the Letter to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

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

Sequence Hymn: Hymnal 201 On earth has dawned this day of days Eschienen ist der herrlich Tag
Stanzas 1 & 4

The Gospel **Matthew 28:1-10**

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

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.

For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People Form VI BCP, p. 392

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;
All **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;
All **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;
All **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
All **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
All **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Samuel and Jennifer our Bishops, for Imogen, Justin, Hershey, and Devin, our clergy; and for all bishops and other ministers;
All **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;
All **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;
All **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died,
that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
All **Who put their trust in you.**

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

All **Amen**

The Peace BCP, p. 360

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

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem C. V. Stanford

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn, in strains of holy joy.
For Judah's Lion bursts his chains, crushing the serpent's head;
And cries aloud through death's domains to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey at his command restore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.
Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is given;
To him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven.

While we his soldiers praise our King, His mercy we implore,
Within his palace bright to bring and keep us evermore.
All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run.
Alleluia! Amen.

Presentation Hymn Doxology with Alleluias Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, p. 367

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.**

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

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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: Hymnal S 128

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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,**
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S 154 Christ our Passover

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

Invitation and Communion BCP, p. 364

During communion today, Daughters of the King will be available in the Bride's Room to pray with anyone desiring prayers.

All are welcome to Holy Communion at God's table.

The ushers will direct you to the altar rail. Kneeling is optional. If you would prefer to receive communion at your seat, please tell an usher.

- *To receive a gluten-free host, simply ask the deacon or priest.*
- *To receive the wine, feel free to sip from the chalice when it is offered to you or to intinct the host, carefully dipping your host into the wine.*
- *To receive a blessing, simply place your hands across your chest.*

Communion Hymns: Hymnal 174 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Salzburg
Hymnal 178 Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord Alleluia No. 1

Sending Out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

The Post Communion Prayer BCP, p. 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Hymnal 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Gelobt sei Gott

The Dismissal BCP, p. 366

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Closing Voluntary Fanfare in C Purcell/Wolff

Many thanks to all of our musicians this morning!

Chancel Choir

Van Zimmerman, Bruce Klitzman; trumpets

Dietmar Szymanowski, horn

Freddie Zufelt, trombone

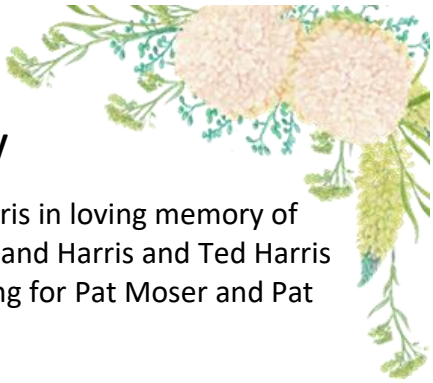
Les Webster, timpani

Dwayne Holloway, organ/director

Kirsten Homdrom, Director of Music and Organist

Please Join Us for our monthly Neighborhood Lunch and Fellowship Immediately Following This Service!

The lilies and hydrangeas decorating The Church of the Good Shepherd for Easter are given to the glory of God by



Kathy Acton in loving memory of Edward Kent Welch.

Diana Allen in thanksgiving for Sophie and Bennett Allen.

The Burkhart Family in loving memory of Linda Martindale.

James Christopher Deal in loving memory of James Carroll Deal.

Betty Dietz in loving memory of Burton H Dietz and in thanksgiving for my children and grandchildren.

Gail Duncan in loving memory of my husband, Noah, our parents and our brothers and in thanksgiving for my daughters, Shelley, Melissa, and Kathryn, my sons-in-law, Kevin and Luke, and my grandchildren, Noah, Frankie, William, Ella Bray, and Duncan.

Frank, Callin and Ryan Fee in loving memory of Mary Elizabeth Fee.

Frank Fee in thanksgiving for Megan, Mays, Callin, George and Ryan.

Brenda and Duke Fentress in loving memory of our parents, Selma Duke McCook and Ellis R. Fentress and Frank and Naomi Murphy.

Elizabeth Gant in thanksgiving for friendships made at Good Shepherd.

Van and Gigi Giersch in loving memory of our parents, Otto and Betty Giersch and Elbert and Gladys Jackson, and in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren!

Mary Kate Gladstone in thanksgiving for Baby Grannis.

Dan & Ginger Harris in loving memory of Tom Moser, Freeland Harris and Ted Harris and in thanksgiving for Pat Moser and Pat Harris.

Maysie and George Hill in loving memory of Tony Allen Hill.

Dwayne Holloway and David Stroud in loving memory of Nancy Glenda Holloway, Raymond Clyde Holloway, Shirley Joan Stroud, and Lavere Dean Stroud.

Michael and Debbie Hostetter in thanksgiving for Jack and Nora Horrigan.

Peter & Mary Jezierny in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren.

Ann, Mary, and Alex Kaneklides in loving memory of George Alexander Kaneklides, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Langdon, and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Kaneklides.

Ann Kaneklides in thanksgiving for Mary and Alex Kaneklides.

Gregg & Jean Knepley in thanksgiving for our grandchildren.

Bob Kochersberger in loving memory of Janet, Charlie, Bob and Marge, Joe and Kay.

The Lingerfelt Family in loving memory of Smith Lingerfelt.

The Littler Family in thanksgiving for Baby Boy Littler due July 2026.

The McCard Family in loving memory of Ilona Lea Dillinger McHale.

Richard and Charlotte Netherby in loving memory of John Netherby, Frank and Isabel Netherby, and George and Alice DuBrink.

Imre and Andrea Polik in thanksgiving for our son and our families.

The Read Family in loving memory of Glory Meehan Read, William Marsden Read III, William Marsden Read IV, Allison Rees Kish, Ernest Rees, and Patricia Saal Rees.

Fran Richardson in loving memory of Bill Richardson, Madelon and TC Hyman Jr.

Rivers/Blalock Family in loving memory of Bob, Steph, Hazel, Pearl, Roy, Rebecca, Pat and George.

Patsy Rivers in thanksgiving for Jordan, Chase, Kennedy, Reagan, Ryan, and their parents.

Randy Roberts in loving memory of Michael Riddle.

Nan and Rob Robinson in loving memory of Joe, Estelle, and Donnie Joe Wilkerson; C.H. and Peggy Robinson.

Marsha and Tony Sample in loving memory of John and Martha McLaughlin.

The Scanlon Family in thanksgiving for our children Noah, Frankie, and William, and our family and friends.



Doug and Jill Sessoms in loving memory of Buddy and Sis Cheshire and our parents: Robert and Margalret Sessoms and John and Julia Dunivant and in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren: Rob, Happy, Maggie and Ben Sessoms and Julie, Kenan, Davis, and Cora Barnes.

Kathryn and Luke Sharp in loving memory of Kathryn's father Noah Kinlaw Duncan and in thanksgiving for our daughters, Ella Bray Elizabeth and Duncan Amanda-Rose.

Their family in loving memory of Paul and Lucille Wetmore.

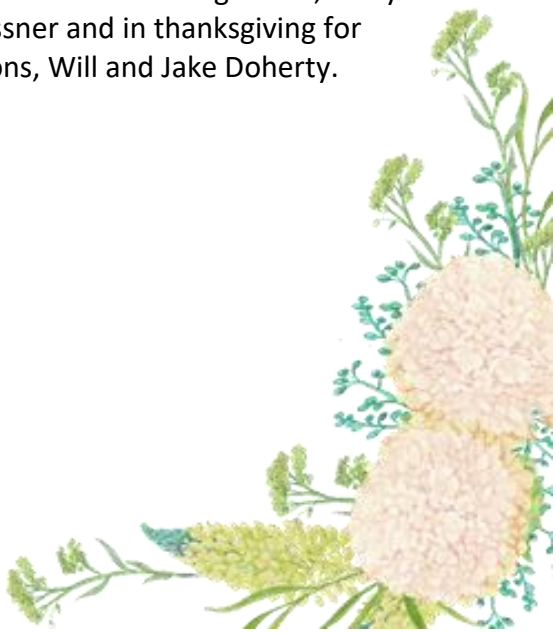
Daughter Kathy Stefanou in loving memory of John and Henrietta Sanderson.

Terry and Marguerite Sullivan in loving memory of Marguerite and Werner Sewald and Daniel and Adele Sullivan.

Jennifer and Tom Tlusty in thanksgiving for the ministries of Molly Propst and Lynn Wiss.

Paisley Dietz Ward in loving memory of Burton Henry Dietz, Sr. and in thanksgiving for Elizabeth Buxton Dietz, Burton Henry Dietz, Jr., R. Buxton Ward, and Eliza Paisley W. Ward.

Lynn Wiss in loving memory of R. Garin Wiss, Fr. Bob and Juanita Kirchgessner, Barry Kent Kirchgessner and in thanksgiving for Grandsons, Will and Jake Doherty.



Serving Today

Ushers	Harold Ramsey, Jason Hingerton, Leslie Gilbert, & Mac Gilbert
Vergers	David Roten
Acolytes	Quincy Swindell, Callin Fee, & Mason Livengood
Lectors	Grace Sved & Phyllis Vail
Intercessor & Chalicist	Ian Finley
Livestream & Sound	Craig DeShong & Sam DeShong
Altar Guild	David Roten, Caryl Fuller, Br. Paul Henry, Ellen McSorley, Caryn Meade, Molly Propst, and Lynn Wiss
Flower Guild	Margaret Nordt

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Catherine and Bob Williams; JoAnn Kistler; Roy Wright; Janet Gilliam; Ralph Sanders; Pete Taylor; Martha Bailey; Janie Ward-Newton; William Short; Brinley Harris; Don Caudill; Jerry Smith; Margaret Park; Lynda Terrell-Rea; The Rev. Sallie Simpson; Patricia Harris; Susie Rahal; Larry Phearse and Family; Mike Newton-Ward; Rock Kershaw; Nicholas Smith; Peter Smith; Kent; Anne and Pete Crum; Dave Bowman; Bob Kochersberger and Family; Susan and Jane Jackson and Family; The Fyfe and Simon Families; The Pursley Family; the people of the Middle East; the people of Ukraine and Russia; victims of gun violence; and those affected by drought, heat, floods, storms, and fires.

And we pray for those who mourn, including the family and friends of Smith Lingerfelt, Paul Hoch, The Rev. Janet Watrous, Mary Best, A.B. Swindell, Peggy Hawks, Charles Latimer, Nolan Simon, and Karen Pursley.

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for
Church of the Redeemer, Greensboro, and Holy Trinity, Greensboro.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6) and for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico (The Anglican Church of Mexico).

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