THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

OCTOBER 27, 2024 AT 10:15 AM

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COMMITMENT SUNDAY



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.

THE RT. REV. SAMUEL RODMAN
BISHOP DIOCESAN OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE RT. REV. JENNIFER BROOKE-DAVIDSON
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THE REV. IMOGEN RHODENHISER, RECTOR
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THE REV. HERSHEY MALLETTE STEPHENS, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE
THE REV. NANCY ALLISON, PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

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 Welcome Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack and then placing it in the alms basin during the offertory or handing it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today. Thank you!

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

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

Voluntary

Processional Hymn: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven — Hymnal 410

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

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

The Collect for Purity — BCP, p. 355

Hymn of Praise: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis* — Hymnal S 280

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 BCP, p. 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The Collect of the Kids

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 Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson **Job 42:1-6, 10-17**

Lector A reading from the Book of Job.

Job answered the LORD:

"I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
'Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you declare to me.'
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes."

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response **Psalm 34:1-8**



Benedicam Dominum

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant,*
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

The Second Lesson **Hebrews 7:23-28**

Lector A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hymnal 495

The Gospel **Mark 10:46-52**

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser

Presentation Hymn: Here I am, Lord *please see the back page of this service bulletin*

During the hymn, the people are invited to bring forward their pledge cards.

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.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael, our presiding bishop; Sean, our presiding bishop-elect; and Sam and Jennifer our bishops and for all bishops; for Imogen, Justin, Hershey, and Nancy, our clergy and all other ministers.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

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

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **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.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Intercessor God, we ask you to bless each and every person affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton and surround them with Your love, protection and angels. Let them know of our prayers for them and their loved ones. We give You all the praise and glory forever, Lord, and know that even in the darkest hours, You are always with us. For the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

All **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.**

The Absolution BCP, p. 360

The Peace BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

November at a Glance

Please see the parish newsletter for details

Day	Event
2	All Souls' Mini-Retreat
3	• All Saints' Day (observed) • Newcomers Class • Beyond Our Doors Lunch
7	*Philadelphia 11* Screening & Reception
9	Newcomers Reception
10	Newcomers Class
11	EYC's Winter Warmth Distribution
16	Oyster Roast
17	Newcomers Class
21	Shepherd's Lunch & Eucharist
23	EYC's Hot Cocoa Sale during the Raleigh Christmas Parade
24	Advent Palooza
26	Thanksgiving Eucharist and Pie

Thank You!

Sincerest thanks to everyone who pledged today and over the past weeks and for living into the life and ministry of this parish.

Today

- Everyone is heartily invited to enjoy **Brunswick stew and fellowship** in Shepherd's Hall immediately following this service. Thank you to the Fellowship Committee and everyone who is working so hard to make and serve lunch today!
- This afternoon at 2 please join us as we **Live Our Faith** by participating in the Greater Triangle Area Crop Walk to end hunger. We'll meet at First Baptist directly across the street for the start of the walk. Leslie Gilbert and Dan Harris are organizing our Good Shepherd team. If you have any questions, please see one of them. Also, feel free to give one of them a call when you show up for the walk so we can all join together. **Leslie: 919.749.0207 or Dan 828.446.3635.**

Stewardship 2025: *Radically Living Our Faith*

- Our 2025 Budget pledge goal is $750,000.
- In 2025 we hope to provide increased support for
  - children's ministries with an Associate Rector for Children's Spirituality
  - music staffing and programming as we recruit new music leadership

The **Episcopal Youth Community** is now accepting donations for their annual **Winter Warmth Drive**. Your donations of winter hats, gloves, scarves, socks, chapstick, and small packages of tissues will be distributed to Shepherd's Table guests on Veteran's Day. A collection bin is located in the PLC lobby through **Sunday, November 10th**. Thank you for your support!

All Souls' Day Retreat – Saturday, November 2nd, 9:30 AM - 12 Noon – Join Rev. Hershey for a mini-retreat designed to remember the life and gifts of the loved ones who have gone before us. Read more about it in the parish newsletter. **Please RSVP by Thursday, October 31st**. RSVP using the form available in the parish newsletter or by calling the Parish Office (919.831.2000), Monday-Thursday, 9AM-5PM. **Contact: Rev. Hershey** (hershey.stephens@cgs-raleigh.org)

Rev. Justin will host a series of **Newcomers Classes** after church beginning next **Sunday, November 3rd**, and continuing on the 10th and 17th. These informal sessions will provide an introduction to the Episcopal Church, Anglican theology, and our particular pattern of worship and give newcomers an opportunity to become better acquainted with our clergy and some of our other new members. A **Newcomers Reception** will also be held at the home of John and Karen Boyne on **Saturday, November 9th, 4-6 PM**. **Contact: Rev. Justin** (justin.gabbard@cgs-raleigh.org)

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: My Eyes for Beauty — Herbert Howells

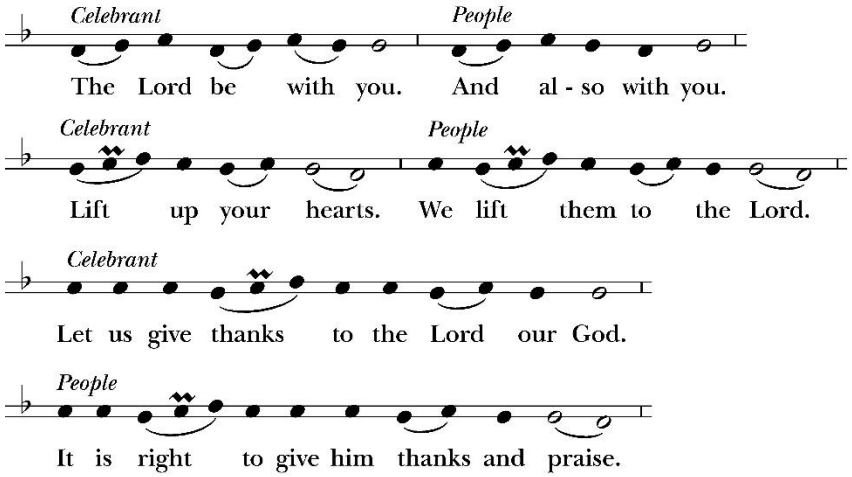
My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddës grace:
No other care nor hope is mine,
to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above:
Tis named when Goddës name is
said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.

Presentation Hymn: Doxology — Hymnal 380 v. 3

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A — BCP, p. 361



Celebrant …Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy — 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 Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 362 in the Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant … Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant … 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.



The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP, p. 364

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Invitation and Communion

All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup? *Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.*

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)? *Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.*

Where can I go to receive only the bread? *Please come to either location and tell the server "only bread."*

Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread? *Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.*

Where can I go to receive a blessing? *Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.*

How can I ask for communion to be brought to me? *Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.*

Communion Hymns:

For the bread which you have broken Hymnal 341

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound Hymnal 671

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.**

Post Communion Prayer *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord Hymnal 404

The Dismissal BCP, p. 366

Voluntary

Please join us immediately following this service for Brunswick stew and fellowship in Shepherd's Hall!

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by The Bailey Family in loving memory of Nelle Rousseau and James Ruffin Bailey and their son, James Ruffin Bailey, Jr. and by Ellen and Paul McSorley in loving memory of their mothers, Catherine and Betty Jane.

SERVING TODAY

Ushers	Cheryl Cozzi and Kim Johnson
Verger	Ed Gavin
Acolytes	Callin Fee, Ryan Fee, Arianna Zomorodi, Benjamin Zomorodi, and Mason Livengood
Lectors	Ian Finley and Todd Poston
Intercessor & Chalicist	Bethany Pergerson
Flower Guild	Margaret Nordt
Livestream & Sound	Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong

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The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Roy Wright; Catherine and Bob Williams; Carolyn Owens; Janet Gilliam; Ralph Sanders; Pete Taylor; Martha Bailey; Peggy Hawks; Ginny Byrd; Mitchell Lawrence; Darrell Dennis; Janie Ward-Newton; William Short; Paul Hoch; Brinley Harris; Don Caudill; Shirley Caudill; Larry Bledsoe; Stephanie Rivers; Jane Mayhew; Janet Watrous; The students, faculty, and community of St. Augustine's University; Pastor Fouad Antoun and the parishioners of the National Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Marjayoun, S. Lebanon; Stephen McCann; Bob Kirchgessner; Jermel Jamison; Terry Lefort; Lorraine Pierson; Mike Newton-Ward; Amy Proseus; Betty Lynn Yersin; The Dietz Family; The Moore Family; the people of Israel, Palestine, and Lebanon, the people of Ukraine and Russia; all victims of gun violence; and those affected by drought, heat, floods, and storms, especially those impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

We give thanks for the marriage of Christian Howard and Nya Smith-Howard that was celebrated yesterday.

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Penick Village, Thompson Child & Family Focus, and Episcopal Farmworker Ministry.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Scottish Episcopal Church.

Your 2024 Vestry

Peg Dorer, Sr. Warden
David Howard, Jr. Warden
Gregg Knepley, Treasurer
Carolyn Manley, Registrar

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
John Boyne, Jr	Ed Gavin	James Deal
Cheryl Cozzi	Esther Hall	Dan Harris
Peg Dorer	David Howard	Leslie Gilbert
Grace Sved	Gregg Knepley	Kay Stallings

Your Parish Staff

David Baggett
Parish Administrator

Dwayne Holloway
Interim Director of Music & Organist

Laura Dearth
Bookkeeper

Stephen McCann
Facilities Coordinator

Presentation Hymn: Here I am, Lord *Wonder, Love, and Praise* 812

