

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

MAY 10, 2026 AT 10:15 AM

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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!



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.

Voluntary Passacaglia in D Minor, BuxWV 161 Dietrich Buxtehude
Bess Morrell, organ

Introit Cantate Domino Hans Leo Hassler
Good Shepherd and Chancel Choirs

Sung in Latin; English translation:

*O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his honour unto the heathen, and his wonders unto all peoples.*

-Psalm 96: 1-3

Processional Hymn All things bright and beautiful Hymnal 405
Royal Oak

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

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| 1 | Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth. | 6 | For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, |
| 2 | Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory. | 7 | you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. |
| 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. | | |

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 & 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 17:22-31

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 66:7-18

Jubilate Deo

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.



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Second Lesson

1 Peter 3:13-22

Lector A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in

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 Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; 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, remembering especially Pete Crum.
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

Music Celebration Liturgy

Celebrant We gather today to praise our loving God who is glorified through music.

People **We thank you, God, for the gift of praise.**

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus knew and loved the Psalms, and sang with his disciples even on the night of his betrayal.

People **We thank you, God, for the gift of prayer through singing.**

Celebrant Throughout the Anglican Communion, we continue to proclaim our faith through psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

People **We thank you, God, for the role of music in shaping our faith throughout our lives and across languages, generations, and countries.**

Celebrant (*addressing the choirs*)

In the name of God and of this congregations, I charge you faithful and gifted choirs with the high calling of music ministry in the house of the Lord. I also charge this whole community of faith to lift up their own voices in praise of God.

People **God of endless glory, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven, pour out your Spirit upon your servants who sound the music of your power and love, that with joy on earth we may glimpse your beauty and share in the foretaste of that heavenly banquet where all souls shall be gathered into your eternal praise. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter

Good Shepherd and Chancel Choirs

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.*

Celebrant ... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 369 in the Book of Common Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover

Hymnal S 154

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

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 Hymn

My God, thy table now is spread
Rockingham

Hymnal 321

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

When in our music God is glorified
Engelberg

Hymnal 420

The Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

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

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

Voluntary

Minuet from Suite Gothique

Leon Beollmann

Serving Today

Ushers	Drew Elliot and Jason Hingerton
Verger	Ed Gavin
Acolytes	Arianna Zomorodi, Frankie Scanlon, Libby Boyne, William Scanlon, and Benjamin Zomorodi
Lectors	Julie Lowe and Ian Finley
Intercessor & Chalcist	Julie Lowe
Altar Guild	Julie Lowe, Bit Hardy, Wendy Lapish, Kris & Sue Lavalla, Jennifer Seiger, and Marguerite Sullivan
Flower Guild	Judi Mathis
Livestream and Sound	Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Todd Poston & Carolyn Wilson in loving memory of his parents, Tom & Bobbie Poston, and in thanksgiving for her parents, Laurence & Betsy Wilson, and by the Rev. Dr. Sheila Nelson McJilton in loving memory of her sister, Karen Nelson Pursley.

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; The Rev. Sallie Simpson; Patricia Harris; Susie Rahal; Larry Phearse and Family; Mike Newton-Ward; Rock Kershaw; NY Mike Smith; Tamara Gregory; Holly Rogers; Patti Head; Nancy and Gregory Clemmons; Bob Bogert; Susan and Jane Jackson and Family; The Fyfe and Simon Families; The Pursley Family; The Cooke Family; The Crum 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 have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially Pete Crum, the uncle of Jennifer Tlusty.

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

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Mark's, Huntersville, and Church of the Saviour, Jackson.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of Pakistan (United).

Give to The Church of the Good Shepherd Online



Announcements for Sunday, May 10th

Today

In addition to today's services of Holy Eucharist at 8 and 10:15 AM

8:30 AM - 12 Noon

Nursery Care Available (infant-5 yo)

9 AM

- Kids Sunday School (5 yo-5th grade)
- Adult Formation
 - **Adult Bible Study** with Debbie Moyer in Room 303.
 - **Short Stories on Richard Powers and *The Overstory*** with Lynn Hoke in Room 323. Meets 5/10, 5/17, 5/24.

Music Celebration Series

Our Music Celebration Series concludes today as we recognize and thank the Chancel Choir and the Good Shepherd Choir. Today's plate offering (ie, undesignated gifts and loose cash and change) will go to support Good Shepherd's Music Ministry. In addition, you may also scan the QR code to the right to donate online to the Music Fund. Thank you for your support and generosity!



Don't Miss Next Sunday!

Youth Sunday

Next Sunday, May 17th, will be a special day in our parish as we celebrate and recognize your youth.

- During the 10:15 service, members of the EYC will lead us in worship. Our preacher will be graduating senior Camm Fyfe, son of Maggie and Paul Fyfe and brother of Anders. Please come next Sunday and support our youth!
- Sunday evening will be the EYC's annual Red Carpet Dinner to honor graduating seniors. This year's graduates are Camm Fyfe (son of Maggie and Paul Fyfe) and Maysie Hill (daughter of Megan and Frank Fee and the late Tony Hill). Congratulations Maysie and Camm!

Monthly Men's Fellowship Lunch – May 14th

Come enjoy lively fellowship and a reasonably priced meal--no reservation is required and all men are welcome! Men's Fellowship Lunches take place on the SECOND THURSDAY of each month at 12 NOON at High Park Grill (625 E. Whitaker Mill Road). **Contact: Jack Boyne (jackboyne54@gmail.com OR 919.832.3641)**

Don't Forget!

Vacation Bible School Registration Closes Soon!

VBS 2026 for children pre-K through 5th grade will take place June 15-18, 9 AM-12 Noon. To register your child(ren) please visit the parish website or the parish newsletter. **The registration deadline is Tuesday, May 26th!**

This Week's Calendar

Date	Event
Monday, May 11	9 AM Morning Prayer
Tuesday, May 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 AM Morning Prayer • 10:30 AM Bible Study in the Ennis Suite • 5:30 PM Bible Study at Van & Gigi Giersch's home (6433 Chapman Court, Raleigh 27612)
Wednesday, May 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Morning Prayer ○ Kaffeeklatsch Fellowship Group at Café Carolina & Bakery in the Village District • 12 Noon Holy Eucharist
Thursday, May 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30 AM Books & Bagels Book Group at Chanticleer Café & Bakery (6490 Tryon Road, Cary 27518) • 9 AM Morning Prayer • 12 Noon Men's Fellowship Lunch at High Point Grill (625 E Whitaker Mill Rd, Raleigh 27608)
Friday, May 15	9 AM Morning Prayer
Saturday, May 16	No scheduled events