

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 10, 2025 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.



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: His Eye is on the Sparrow

arr. Hernandez

Jared Hernandez, piano

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things unseen. Due to this fact, there is no need to worry about where our “help” comes from. He is our portion, our friend, and our shield; So fear not and have much faith, for his eye is always on the sparrow.

Processional Hymn: Hymnal 637, How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Lyons

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

Song of Praise: Hymnal S 279, Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

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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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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.

The First Lesson

Genesis 15:1-6

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 33:12-22

Exultate, justi

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!
- 13 The Lord looks down from heaven, *
and beholds all the people in the world.
- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *
on all who dwell on the earth.
- 15 He fashions all the hearts of them *
and understands all their works.
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; *
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; *
for all its strength it cannot save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, *
on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from death, *
and to feed them in time of famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the Lord; *
he is our help and our shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, *
for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- †22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, *
as we have put our trust in you.



The Second Lesson

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Lector A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Hymnal 635, If thou but trust in God to guide thee Wer nur den lieben Gott

The Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Mr. Ian Finley

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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops; for Imogen, Justin, Nancy, and Hershey, our clergy; for all bishops and 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, remembering especially Donald Moyer, John Burns and Joseph Placa.

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

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 Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

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: Day by Day

Martin How

Chancel Choir

*Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.*

-Richard of Chichester

Presentation Hymn: Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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.**

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 367

Celebrant ...who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: Hymnal S 114, Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 368

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

Celebrant ...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.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP, p. 364

The Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S 155, 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

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 Hymn: Hymnal 317, This is the hour of banquet and of song Morestead

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. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

The Blessing

Celebrant May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Hymnal 675, Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon

The Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

Voluntary: All Glory Be to God on High

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

This piece is based on the German chorale “Allein Gott in der Höh’ sei Ehr”, and uses just one of the manuals (keyboards) on the organ. See Hymnal 421 for the text. Zachau was a Baroque composer, just a couple of decades older than Johann Sebastian Bach.

**Please join us immediately following this service for fellowship, snacks, and beverages.
Today’s fellowship time is hosted by a women of the Chancel Choir.**

Serving Today

Ushers	Peg Dorer and Kim Johnson
Verger	Evan Meade
Acolytes	Ashelyn Gilbert, Leighton Livengood, Juliet Gilbert, and Mason Livengood
Lectors	Maggie Stoddard and Todd Poston
Chalicer and Intercessor	Brother Paul Henry, OSF
Flower Guild	Judi Mathis
Livestream & Sound	Mike Burkhardt & Sam DeShong

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory by Nan and Rob Robinson in loving memory of Dr. Joseph Wilkerson, Estelle Wilkerson, Donnie Joe Wilkerson, Charles Hall Robinson and Peggy Robinson.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Roy Wright; Catherine and Bob Williams; Janet Gilliam; Ralph Sanders;
Pete Taylor; Martha Bailey; Peggy Hawks; Janie Ward-Newton; William Short;
Paul Hoch; JoAnn Kistler Lattimore and Charles Lattimore; Brinley Harris; Don Caudill;
Janet Watrous; Jerry Smith; Margaret Park; Lynda Terrell-Rea; Susie Rahal;
Tamara Gregory; Larry Phearse and Family; Bob Kirchgessner; Josephine Placa; Randy Roberts;
Bob Wood; Patricia Harris; Lynn Wiss; Dawn Downs; Jamey; Jesse Murray;
Diane and Gary Gabbard; Mike Newton-Ward; Carolyn Lowery;
Michael Riddle; Andrea; The Moyer Family; The Burns Family; The Placa-Madsen Family;
the people of Israel and Palestine; 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 Donald Moyer, John Burns and Joseph Placa.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for
St. Thomas', Sanford, and Trinity, Scotland Neck.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for
Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda (The Anglican Church of Rwanda).

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Use the QR code to the right to give online. Open your phone's camera, point the camera at the square, and tap the screen.



The Church of the Good Shepherd -- Announcements for Sunday, August 10th

Please see the parish newsletter for all of the latest news!

Today

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

- 8:30-12 Noon**
 - Nursery Care available for children up to 4 yo
- 9 AM**
 - Learning about Morning Prayer in the Ennis Suite
 - Green Team Meeting in the Parlor
- 11:30 AM**
 - Fellowship hosted by the women of the Chancel Choir
 - Bible Amnesty in the Ennis Suite

Please Make Note...

- Morning Prayer, Monday-Thursday at 8:30 AM in the chapel through August 14th.
- Holy Eucharist on Wednesday at noon in the church.

All Are Welcome Here!

If you would like information about

- transferring your membership from another parish
- joining the church
- being married
- being baptized

please contact Parish Administrator David Baggett (david.baggett@cgs-raleigh.org or at 919.831.2018).

Coming Next Sunday, August 17th ...

August Pop-Up Book Group

Come join Rev. Imogen on **Sunday, August 17th in the Ennis Suite at 11:45 AM** to discuss *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Hey! EYC...Don't Miss Your Pool Party!

When: Saturday, August 23, 5:30-7:30 PM

Where: Hosted by Nan & Jack Boyne at 807 Harvey St, Raleigh 27608

Can you come? Be sure to RSVP! (See the latest EYC Message, the Parish Newsletter, or the parish website)

Contact: Rev Justin (justin.gabbard@cgs-raleigh.org)

Monthly Men's Fellowship Lunch – August 14th

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). Come enjoy lively fellowship and a reasonably priced meal--no reservation is required and everyone is welcome! **Contact: Jack Boyne (jackboyne54@gmail.com OR 919.832.3641)**

Calendar at a Glance

August 2025	
<i>Kid's Sunday School and Children's Chapel and Godly Play will be on break during August.</i>	
11-14	Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM in the chapel
12	Bible Study with Rev. Nancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 AM in the Ennis Suite • 5:30 PM at 3110 Belvin Dr, Raleigh 27609
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church • Shepherd's/Silver Angel's Lunch at 12:45 PM in Shepherd's Hall
14	Men's Fellowship Lunch at 12 Noon
17	Green Read Book Discussion Group at 11:45 AM in the Ennis Suite
19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible Study with Rev. Nancy • 10:30 AM in the Ennis Suite • 5:30 PM at 3110 Belvin Dr, Raleigh 27609 • Springmoor Eucharist at 11 AM
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church • Finance Committee Meeting at 5:30 PM
22	Wedding Rehearsal at 4 PM
23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ciavolino-Seaton Wedding at 4 PM • EYC Pool Party 5:30-7:30 PM at Nan & Jack Boyne's home
25	Vestry Meeting at 6 PM in Room 303
26	Bible Study with Rev. Nancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 AM in the Ennis Suite • 5:30 PM at 3110 Belvin Dr, Raleigh 27609
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church • Outreach Committee Meeting at 1 PM in the Ennis Suite

Please Save These Dates!

- **September 7 – Rally Day!**
- **September 19-21—Family Weekend at The Trinity Center, Pine Knoll Shores**

KICK OFF OUR PROGRAM YEAR

RALLY DAY

AT GOOD SHEPHERD

SUNDAY
SEPT 7

11:30AM
UNTIL
1:30PM



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

BOUNCY CASTLE - GAMES - DUNKING BOOTH
COOKIE CONTEST - FOOD & DRINK - ICE CREAM
PRE-OWNED BOOK SALE - FACE PAINTING
INFO BOOTHS - LIVE MUSIC
& MORE!

GETTING EXCITED
ABOUT THE RALLY DAY
FESTIVAL?

LEARN MORE &
VOLUNTEER HERE:



ALL PROCEEDS WILL
GO TOWARDS THE
BEYOND OUR DOORS
LITTLE FREE PANTRY

Join us on Sunday, September 7th, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Rally Day is our parish-wide celebration to kick off our new church program year!

- **Lunch!** Hosted by Beyond Our Doors Ministry Team
- **Bouncy castle**
- All sorts of fun treats like **Howling Cow® Ice Cream**, snow cones, and more!
- The **Dunkin' Booth** is back! *Who's gonna get soaked?*
- New! **Cookie Bake Off & Sale...and the winner is ?**
- Back by popular demand... **Pre-Owned Book Sale!**
- **Face painting** and **Fairy Hair**
- **Music** provided by the Hyde County Ramblers
- **Corn Hole** competition
- **Door prizes** and **giveaways**
- **Fellowship, fun, and more!**

Can You Help?

Lots of help is needed to make this year's Rally Day Festival a success. Here's how you can help...

1. Plan now to be there!
2. Make a financial contribution to help offset costs. If you'd like to contribute, please send your check to the Parish Office. (Please send your check, payable to The Church of the Good Shepherd, to David Baggett's attention and note Rally Day on the memo line of your check).
3. Join the team! Lots of folks are needed to make the event a success. If you'd like to help or if you have any questions about Rally Day, please contact the Parish Office at 919.831.2000 or scan the QR code above and fill out our volunteer form. Thanks very much for your support!

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Do You Know about the Family Weekend at The Trinity Center?

You and your family are warmly invited to The Church of the Good Shepherd's annual Family Weekend at the Trinity Center in Pine Knoll Shores, **September 19-21**. Please read more about it and register at the form on the parish website:

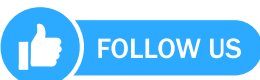


Please register by September 1st . Contact: Rev. Justin



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