

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

JANUARY 11, 2026 AT 10:15 AM

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

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!



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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.

Voluntary: Prelude on Deep River

Adolphus Hailstork

“Deep River” is a deeply beloved African-American spiritual. In this setting, American composer Adolphus Hailstork sets the melody in a solo organ stop with captivating harmonies in the left hand and pedals. The piece ends on an open fifth - the chord is missing the third, which designates whether it is major or minor.

Processional Hymn: Hymnal 444, Blessed be the God of Israel

Thornbury

The Opening Acclamation

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 280, Canticle 20, 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.

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 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 Godly Play, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

Lector A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 29

Afferte Domino

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)

- 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

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

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

People **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 answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Nancy Allison

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People, Form IV

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Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen**

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Sanctus: Hymnal S 125, Holy, holy, holy

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. 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

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The Breaking of the Bread

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The 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

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 116, "I come," the great Redeemer cries

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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

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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 Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; 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 448, O love, how deep, how broad, how high Deus tuorum militum

The Dismissal

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Voluntary: Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

A "toccata" is a virtuosic instrumental piece, usually with fast-moving technical passages. This toccata by Johann Pachelbel (of Canon in D fame) is no exception, and you will hear these passages played on the manuals of the organ. The piece begins in E Minor, and ends in E Major.

Come enjoy fellowship with beverages and snacks immediately following this service.

Serving Today

Ushers	Kim Johnson and Kay Stallings
Verger	Evan Meade
Acolytes	Ryan Fee, Callin Fee, George Hill, William Scanlon, and Ella Bray Sharp
Lectors	Harry Johnson and Jason Hingerton
Chalicer and Intercessor	Bethany Pergerson
Altar Guild	Julie Lowe, Bit Hardy, Wendy Lapish, Kris & Sue Lavalla, Jennifer Seiger, and Marguerite Sullivan
Flower Guild	Amanda Penny
Livestream and Sound	Mike Burkhart and Sam DeShong

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory by JoAnn Kistler and Charlie and Theresa Kistler in loving memory of Dr. Charles Kistler and son Chuck.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Catherine and Bob Williams; JoAnn Kistler and Charles Latimer; 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; Gary Blaettler; Dennis McKinnie; Rose Hoppe; Nannette Brown; Elise Abernathy; Sheldon Smith; Nicholas Smith; Peter Smith; Tripp Nelson; Suzy McPherson; Bob Kochersberger and Family; Susan and Jane Jackson and Family; The Mogilski, Bormann, and Dangerfield Families; The Ellington Family; The Wilson 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 mourn, including the family and friends of Michael Riddle, Al Bass, Smith Lingerfelt, Paul Hoch, The Rev. Janet Watrous, Mary Best, A.B. Swindell, and Peggy Hawks.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. John's, Battleboro; Church of the Holy Comforter, Burlington; and St. Paul's, Cary.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America (The Anglican Church in Central America).

Give to The Church of the Good Shepherd Online

Use the QR code to the right to give online.



The Church of the Good Shepherd Announcements for Sunday, January 11th

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

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**
 - Kids Sunday School
 - Adult Formation
 - *The Tears of Things* led by Rev. Hershey in Room 323
 - Bible Study led by Debbie Moyer in Room 303
 - Green Team Meeting in the Parlor
- 11:30 AM**
 - Fellowship
- 11:45 AM**
 - 2027 Youth Pilgrimage Info Session
- 4:30 PM**
 - Youth Confirmation Class
- 5:30-7:30 PM**
 - EYC Meeting

Adult Formation in January and February

New Year, New Horizons

We kick off 2026 with two special adult formation offerings.

- Starting today, the Rev. Hershey Mallette-Stephens leads a guided tour through Richard Rohr's latest work, *The Tears of Things*. This offering will run Jan 11, Jan 18, and Jan 25.
- In February, Ian Finley returns to introduce us to one of his favorite books - *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton. This offering runs Feb 1, Feb 8, and Feb 15.

Copies of *The Tears of Things* and *Making Sense of the Bible* are available for purchase at the front desk.

Did You Order 2026 Pledge Envelopes?

Your envelopes are waiting for you at the Front Desk in the Parish Life Center. If you would like pledge envelopes but didn't order them, please **contact David Baggett (david.baggett@cgs-raleigh.org OR 919.831.2018)**.

Calendar at a Glance

Please note:

- EYC, Sundays afternoons, 5:30-7:30, in the Parish Life Center
- Morning Prayer, Monday-Friday at 9 AM in the church
- Bible Study with Rev. Nancy every Tuesday at
 - 10:30 AM in the Ennis Suite
 - 5:30 PM at 3110 Belvin Dr, Raleigh 27609
- Jr Choristers (Good Shepherd Choir) rehearses Tuesday afternoons, 4:30-5:20
- Kaffeeklatsch Fellowship Group every Wednesday at 9 AM at Carolina Café (Village District)
- Handbell Choir rehearses Wednesday evenings, 6-6:45
- Chancel Choir rehearses Wednesday evenings, 7-8:30

January 2026

Jan 14	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
Jan 17-18	EYC Lock-In
Jan 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out & About Supper Group at 6 PM • Lector & Chalcist Intro & Training at 11:45 AM
Jan 19	Parish Office Closed in observance of MLK Jr Day
Jan 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Springmoor Eucharist at 11 AM • Vestry Meeting 6-8 PM via Zoom
Jan 21	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
Jan 25	ANNUAL MEETING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Eucharist (one combined service) at 9 AM • Annual Meeting in the church at 10:30 AM • Youth Confirmation Class at 4:30 • EYC Meeting at 5:30 PM
Jan 28	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
Jan 31	Reception Honoring The Rev. Nancy Allison 10A-1P in Shepherd's Hall

Coming in February!

- February 8th -- Chili Cookoff
- February 22nd -- Bishop's Visitation with Confirmations, Receptions, and Reaffirmations

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School 2026

June 15-18 (Monday-Thursday), 9 AM – 12 Noon

Ages pre-K through 5th grade

Nursery care will be available for younger children

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