THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 26, 2025 AT 9 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 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 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

Processional Hymn: Hail to the Lord's Anointed — Hymnal 616

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

The Collect for Purity — BCP, p. 355

A Song of Praise: Canticle 13, *Benedictus es, Domine* — Hymnal S 236

1 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
2 Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
3 Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
4 Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
5 Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
6 Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

The Collect of the Day

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

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; 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 listen for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. They then depart for Godly Play, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

Lector A reading from the Book of Nehemiah.

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

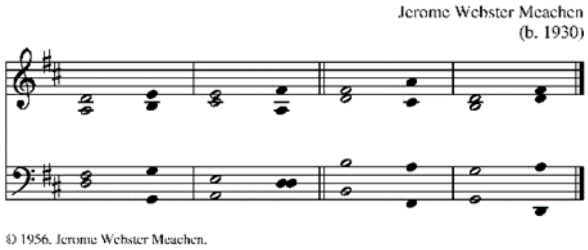
And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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

The Response

Psalm 19

Caeli enarrant



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1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
8 The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.
14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Lector A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with

greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

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

Sequence Hymn: Like the murmur of the dove's song Hymnal 513

The Gospel **Luke 4:14-21**

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Justin Gabbard

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 and for all bishops; for Imogen, Justin, Nancy, Hershey, and Sallie, 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, remembering especially Kirk Andrews and Glenda Holloway.

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.

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.**

Absolution BCP, p. 360

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

The Committal of Carolyn Gostin Owens BCP, p. 501

Celebrant Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Then, while the urn is placed in the niche, the Celebrant says these words

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Carolyn, and we commit her body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. **Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord;

People **And let light perpetual shine upon her.**

Celebrant May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

People **Amen.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Light Everlasting — Olaf Christiansen

O Light everlasting, O Love never failing. Illumine our darkness and draw us to Thee. May we from Thy Spirit receive inspiration as children together thy wisdom may see, Make known to all nations Thy peace and Thy salvation. And help, us O Father, Thy temple to be. O Light everlasting, O Love never failing. Illumine our darkness and draw us to Thee.

Presentation Hymn: Doxology with Alleluias — Lasst uns erfreuen

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

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy — Hymnal S 129

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 in the Book of Common Prayer

The Lord's Prayer — BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread — BCP, p. 364

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: Where true charity and love prevail — Hymnal 606

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 BCP, p. 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: Spread, O spread, thou mighty word Hymnal 530

The Dismissal

Voluntary

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Grady Britt in loving memory of Grady Harold Britt, Virginia Dare DuRant Britt, and Richard Thomas Britt.

Serving Today

Ushers	James Deal and Joe Horton
Verger	Caryl Fuller
Acolytes	Noah Scanlon, Benjamin Zomorodi, Frankie Scanlon, and Arianna Zomorodi
Lectors	Ian Finley and Grace Sved
Intercessor & Chalicist	Ian Finley
Livestream & Sound	Ed Sharp and Sam DeShong
Flower Guild	Anne Doster

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Roy Wright; Catherine and Bob Williams; Janet Gilliam; Ralph Sanders; Pete Taylor; Martha Bailey; Peggy Hawks; Darrell Dennis; Janie Ward-Newton; William Short; Paul Hoch; Brinley Harris; Don Caudill; Jane Mayhew; Janet Watrous; Reginald Fuller; Rebecca Lamb; Kathy Acton; Mike Newton-Ward; Derek Tahj'e Corron; Gary Blaettler; Pam Zullinger; Carrie Petr; David Lovelace; Glenda Farmer; Judith Fernandez; Pete Crum; Bob Kirchgessner; Josephine Placa; The Rev. Sallie Simpson; Tammy Gregory; Dorothy Allen Smith; The Andrews Family; The Holloway Family; the people of Israel, Palestine, and Lebanon; the people of Ukraine and Russia; victims of gun violence; and those affected by drought, heat, floods, storms, and fires, especially those impacted by Hurricane Helene and wildfires in Southern California.

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Chapel of Christ The King, Charlotte, and Christ Church, Charlotte.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.

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