

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 23, 2025 AT 10:15 AM

The Feast of Christ the King

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: Now Thank We All Our God

Georg Friedrich Kauffmann

German composer Georg Friedrich Kauffmann was active in the Baroque period. This setting of “Nun Danket Alle Gott” is for manuals, no pedals, with the melody in the upper register.

Processional Hymn: Hymnal 518, Christ is made the sure foundation

Westminster Abbey

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 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 Godly Play, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Lector A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 46

Deus noster refugium

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth
be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into
the depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its
tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the
kingdoms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt
away.



- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of
the LORD, *
what awesome things he has done on
earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the
world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

The Second Lesson

Colossians 1:11-20

Lector A reading from letter to the Colossians.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers--all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Hymnal 467, Sing, my soul, his wondrous love

St. Bees

The Gospel

Luke 23:33-43

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

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Nancy Allison

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

A Litany of Thanksgiving

BCP, p. 836

Intercessor Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

People **To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with the Collect for Thanksgiving Day

Celebrant Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 360

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

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: All hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Amy Beach

*All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall,
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, who from His altar call,
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod, and crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call,
The Lord incarnate, Man divine, and crown Him Lord of all!
Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.
Let every kindred, every tribe, before Him prostrate fall!
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.*

-E. Perronet

Presentation Hymn: Hymnal 397, Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

stanza 3

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
eternal, Triune God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be, evermore.

The Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S 164, Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God:
Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins:
Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world:
Give us your peace.

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 328, Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Song 46

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 Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing so some have entertained angels without knowing it. 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 494, Crown him with many crowns

Diademata

The Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

Voluntary: Prelude in G Major, BWV 541

Johann Sebastian Bach

This joyful piece by Johann Sebastian Bach begins with cascading arpeggios in the hands, anticipating the pedal entrance a couple of lines later. Today it is played in honor of Christ the King Sunday.

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

Serving Today

Ushers	Frank and Megan Fee
Verger	David Roten
Acolytes	Callin Fee, George Hill, Ryan Fee, Juliet Gilbert, and Anders Fyfe
Lectors	Harry Johnson and Grace Sved
Chalicer and Intercessor	Molly Propst
Altar Guild	David Roten, Caryl Fuller, Paul Henry, Ellen McSorley, Caryn Meade, Molly Propst, and Lynn Wiss
Flower Guild	Kathy Acton
Livestream and Sound	Richard Netherby and Sam DeShong

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory by Frederick & Lorraine Pierson in loving memory of Gardner Hart Pierson, Roberta Landau, Robert J Chayne and Billie H Chayne.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Catherine and Bob Williams; JoAnn Kistler Lattimore and Charles Lattimore; 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; Bob Kirchgessner; David Lovelace; Melinda McIntyre and Family; Dana Babbs; Mike Newton-Ward; The Best Family; The Swindell Family; The Hawks-Jackson 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.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for UNC-Chapel Hill Campus Ministry and Wake Forest / Salem / Winston-Salem State / UNC School of the Arts Episcopal Campus Ministry.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for
The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

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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, November 23rd

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**
 - Kid's Sunday School
 - Adult Formation
 - Bible Study led by Debbie Moyer in Room 303
 - "Hospitality and the Spiritual Life" in Room 323
- 10:15 AM**
 - Children's Chapel & Godly Play
- 11:30 AM**
 - Fellowship Time
- 11:45 AM**
 - Newcomers Class in the Parlor
- 5:30-7:30 PM**
 - EYC (Episcopal Youth Community)

Parish Office to Be Closed for Thanksgiving

Please make note that the Parish Office will close at 5 PM on **Wednesday, November 26th** and will re-open at 9 AM on **Monday, December 1st**. In the event of a pastoral care emergency, the parish's Pastoral Care Support Line 919.831.2008 (number also found in the parish newsletter and on the parish website) is available and is monitored 24x7.

Weekday Worship

- **Morning Prayer at 9 AM, Monday through Friday**, in the church. Coming together in this simple way can deepen our sense of companionship with God and each other, and also reorient us to God's sense of peace and purpose for our lives as the day begins.
- **Wednesday Eucharist at 12 Noon** in the church. Take a few minutes during this hectic season to pause, pray, and refresh.

A Friendly Reminder!

Have you moved? Changed your email address or phone number? Please remember to notify the Parish Office so that our parish records are current. Thank you!

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**

November 2025

26	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Day • Parish Office Closed
30	Advent 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making Advent Wreaths after the 10:15 service • Decorating the Chrismon Tree after the 10:15 service

December 2025

3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church • Pastoral Care Committee meeting at 1 PM in Room 403
6	Advent Quiet Day at Good Shepherd, 10 AM – 4 PM
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOK Healing Prayers during 8 & 10:15 services • Beyond Our Doors Community Lunch at 11:30 AM • Newcomers Class, Session 3 at 11:45 AM in the Parlor • Advent Lessons and Carols at 4 PM in the church followed by a parish reception in Shepherd's Hall
10	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
11	Men's Fellowship Lunch at 12 Noon at High Park Grill
13	Prison Families Support Group at 10 AM in the Ennis Suite
14	Service of Hope & Healing at 4 PM in the church
15	Vestry meeting, 6-8 PM, in Room 303
16	Springmoor Eucharist at 11 AM
17	Holy Eucharist at 12 Noon in the church
21	All-Ages Christmas Pageant during the 10:15 service

Christmas Worship Services

December 24, Christmas Eve

- 2 PM Family Eucharist
- 5 PM Holy Eucharist
- 9 PM Holy Eucharist

December 25, Christmas Day

- 9 AM Holy Eucharist

Newcomers Series Continues Today

Please join Rev. Justin **today after the 10:15 worship service** for the 2nd session in a three-part Newcomers Series. If you missed last week's session, don't let that stop you from attending today! These informal sessions 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. This series will be followed by an adult confirmation class beginning in January. Confirmations, receptions, and reaffirmations will take place during the bishop's visitation on **Sunday, February 22, 2026**. **Contact: The Rev. Justin Gabbard (justin.gabbard@cgs-raleigh.org OR 919.831.2006)**

Don't Miss Advent 1 at Good Shepherd! – November 30th

On **Sunday, November 30th** we'll kickoff Advent! Immediately following the 10:15 worship service you'll be able to make your Advent wreath (supplies provided), help decorate our beautiful Chrismon Tree, and enjoy fellowship and snacks. Stay tuned for details!

Hey! Can You Help?

Next **Sunday, November 30th**, immediately following the 10:15 worship service, we will be hanging ornaments on our beautiful Chrismon Tree! Lights will have already been installed. If you're able to stay and help, please join us! It won't take long. **Contact: John and Karen Boyne (johnboyne@colemaninsights.com or karenboyne@hotmail.com).**

Advent Quiet Day at Good Shepherd – December 6th

A Quiet Day is a day set aside for prayer, listening, and honest reflection, allowing for new clarity on life and a widening connection to God. On this Quiet Day, the Rev. Robert Fruehwirth, associate interim rector at St. Paul's in Cary, will lead retreatants through reflections from the great medieval mystic and theologian, Julian of Norwich. Pre-registration is required, and attendance is limited to 20 registrants. Please see the parish newsletter or the parish website for more information.

Advent Schedule

In addition to our regular Sunday worship services, Godly play, Sunday school, Adult Formation, and EYC, please make note of these Advent offerings:

- Advent 1, November 30th: Making Advent Wreaths & Decorating Our Chrismon Tree at 11:30 AM
- Advent 2, December 7th:
 - Beyond Our Doors Community Lunch at 11:30 AM
 - Advent Lessons & Carols at 4 PM followed by a parish reception
- Advent 3, December 14th: Service of Hope & Healing at 4 PM
- Advent 4, December 21st: All-Ages Christmas Pageant during the 10:15 worship service

Monthly Men's Fellowship Lunch – December 11th

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)**

Are You Interested in...

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

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

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