

Church of the Good Shepherd

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

Rooted in the Word, Nourished by the Sacraments, Alive in Jesus Christ



March 17, 2024 – 10:30am

The Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

Welcome to Church of the Good Shepherd! We are delighted to worship God with you this morning. Everything you need for the service is here in these pages and in the bible found in the pews. If you are visiting and would like more information about Good Shepherd, please fill out a guest card at the ushers table or call the parish office (723-8032). At Good Shepherd you will find friendly people, engaging sermons, joyful worship, practical teaching, and lots of kids. Welcome!

<http://www.goodshepherdbinghamton.org>

A Service of Holy Eucharist

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The Prelude

“Finale”, Sonata 6

F. Mendelssohn

The Processional

What Wondrous Love is This

The people stand, if able, and sing facing the procession

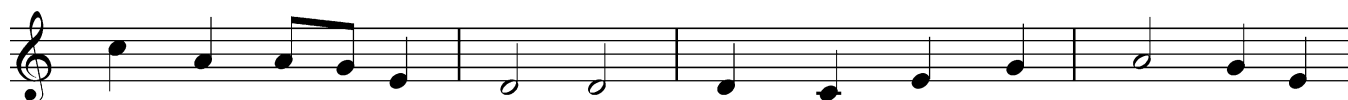
Unison



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll



caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The people remain standing

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

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.**

The Summary of the Law

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

~Matthew 11:28

The Confession of Sin

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

The people kneel if able and pray together

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

~1 John 2:1-2

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit for the reading of the lessons.

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Pew Bible pg. 660, LP pg. 784

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:10-15



- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11 Cast me not away from your presence, *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 12 O give me the comfort of your help again, *
and sustain me with your willing Spirit.
- 13 Then shall I teach your ways unto the wicked, *
and sinners shall return unto you.
- 14 Deliver me from blood-guilt, O God, the God of my salvation, *
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.
- 15 O Lord, open my lips, *
and my mouth shall show forth your praise.

The Second Lesson

Acts 16:25-40

Pew Bible pg. 925, LP pg. 1100

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

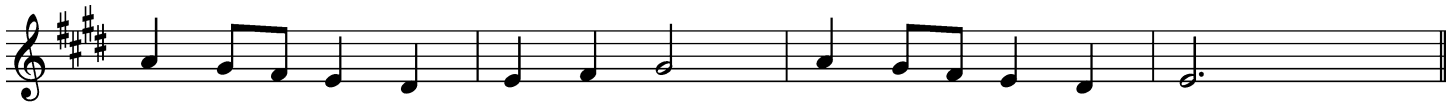
The Gradual

The Steadfast Love

E. McNeill

The people stand facing the procession

The stead-fast love of the Lord never ceas - es; His mer - cies nev - er —
come to an end. They are new ev' - ry morn ing, new ev' - ry morn ing.



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O Lord! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness.

The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

John 12:20-33

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Matthew Kennedy

The Dedication

Dearly Beloved, inasmuch as Christ, our Savior, saith, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the Kingdom of God"; and as the holy apostle St. Peter declares that, "The promise is unto you and to your children," therefore this child has been brought to be consecrated to God and to His service. I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of His bounteous mercy He will grant that this child may early become a partaker of the divine nature and grow up into Christ our living Head in all things, and come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto perfect spiritual manhood, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, and may God grant unto you the needed grace that you may properly discharge all the duties you owe to this child which God has given you.

Charge to the Parents

You have brought this child whom God has given you to be dedicated to God and to His service. By this act you therefore signify your faith in the Christian religion, and also your desire that he/she shall receive the benefits of consecration to God, and of the prayers of the church and congregation, and may early learn to know and follow the will of God; and thus doing may live and die a Christian, attaining in the end of this earthly life to everlasting life in the kingdom of God. In order that this may be accomplished, it will be your duty as parents (or guardians) to early teach this child the fear of the Lord; to watch over his/her education, that he/she may not be led astray by false teachings or doctrines, to direct his/her mind to the Holy Scriptures as expressing the will and authority of God for all mankind, also to direct his/her feet to the sanctuary; to restrain him/her from evil associates and habits; and, as much as in you lies, to "bring him/her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

Celebrant Will you endeavor to do so, by the help of God?

Parents I will.

Charge To the Congregation

You have heard the charge given to these parents. Do you, as members of this congregation of Christ, acknowledge and accept your responsibility to do all within your power to aid and assist these parents in keeping the solemn vows that they have taken upon themselves and also to provide all necessary support for this child that he/she may early come to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and grow up in Him? If so, will you say, "We will?"

Congregation **We will.**

The Dedication

Hear now the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, recorded in Mark 10:13-16: "Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly dis-pleased and said to them, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.' And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them."

Justice Wilberforce Rodriguez Irumudomon, I dedicate you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

O God, Our Heavenly Father, grant that as this child grows in stature, he/she may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and being Your faithful child, strengthened and renewed by Your sanctifying grace, may serve You through all the days of his/her life. **Amen.**

Almighty God, source of all love, wisdom, and power, so guide and uphold these parents that they, by loving care, wise advice, and holy example, may lead this child into the life of faith whose strength is righteousness, and whose fruit is everlasting joy and peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Celebrants and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Announcements

The Offertory

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. If you are a regular attender at Good Shepherd, you may give your tithe in several ways. An offering plate will be passed and you are welcome to give your offering there. There is also an offering box at the rear of the sanctuary where you may drop your tithe, or you can mail checks to 360 Conklin Avenue, Binghamton, NY, 13903. You can also give online through [Breeze](#) or you can text a

donation through Breeze at 607-882-6551. Good Shepherd also has a [PayPal](#) account. As always, thank you for your great generosity and kind support.

The Offertory

Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone

The people, sitting or kneeling

Verse 1

*Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see*

Verse 2

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed*

Verse 3

*The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures*

Verse 4

*The earth shall soon dissolve like
snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine*

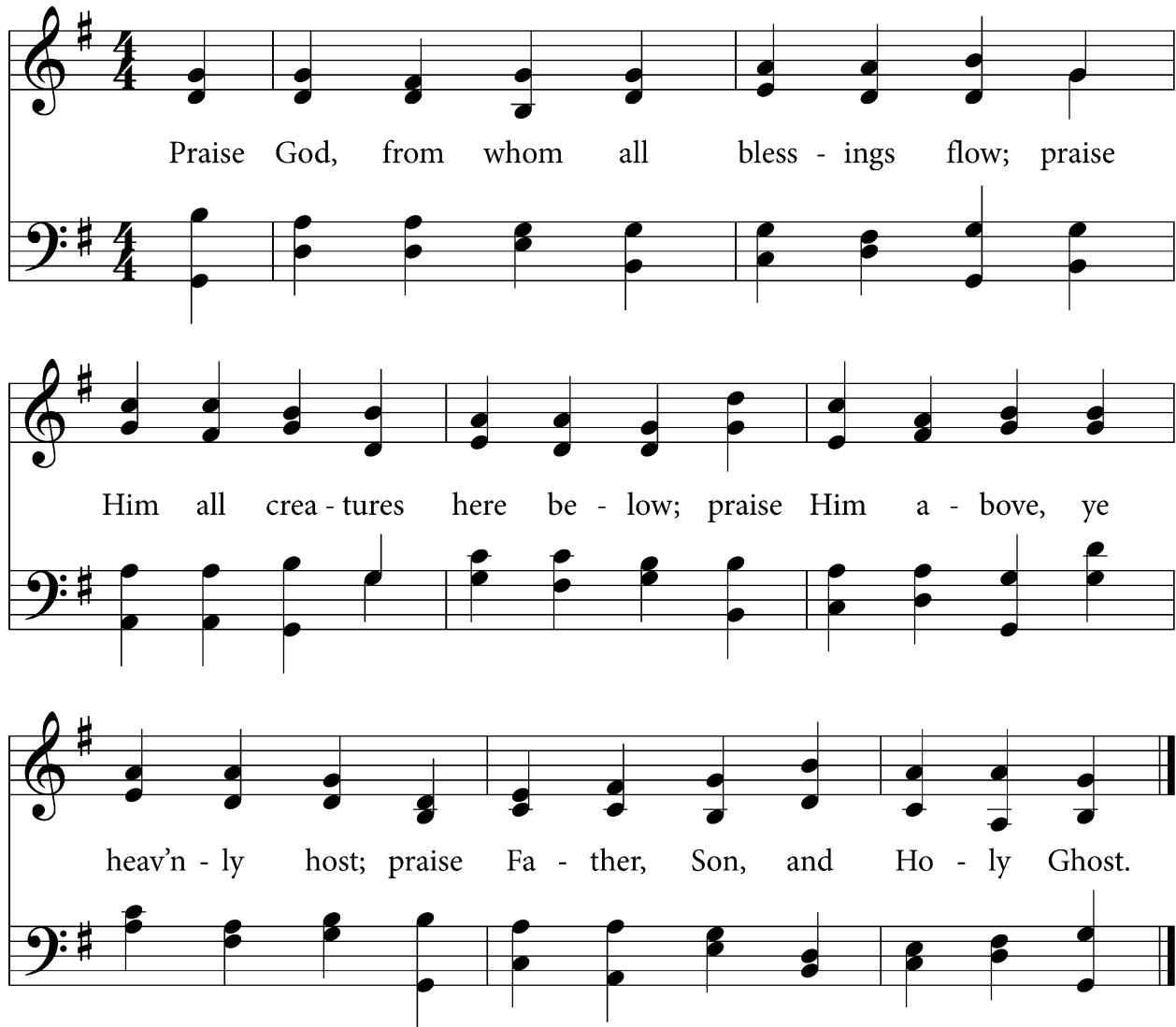
Chorus

*My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace*

The Presentation of the Gifts

The people stand, if able, and sing

Tallis



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
Him all crea - tures here be - low; praise Him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

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 just and right so to do.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

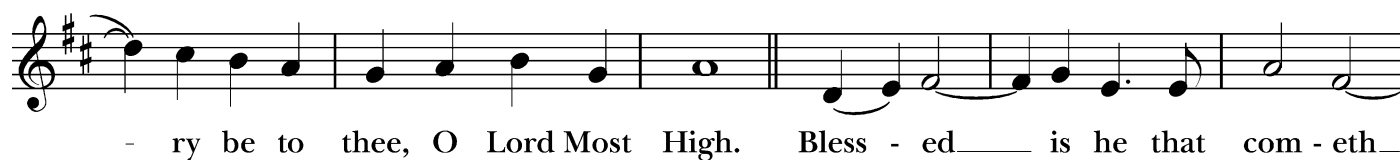
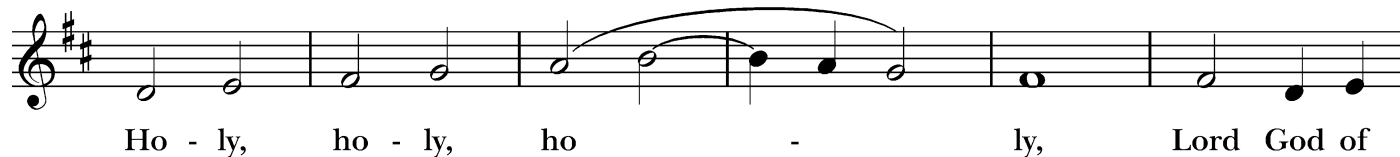
You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Willan

The people remain standing and sing



The Prayer of Consecration

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

Celebrant and People together

Christ has died, Christ is risen Christ will come again.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

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. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

The people remain kneeling, and say

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,
forever and ever. **Amen.**

Fraction

The people remain kneeling and say

Celebrant Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and people say together

We do not presume to come to this your Table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table.
But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

Willan

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of



God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, grant us thy peace.

The Communion of the People

All Christians baptized in any denomination and in good standing with their home church are welcome to take Communion. If you are unable to take communion for any reason, you are warmly invited to the rail for a prayer and blessing: just place your hands across your chest and one of the pastors will bless and pray for you. If you are in a wheelchair or are unable to come forward for any reason, please let an usher know and we will bring the Sacrament to you in your pew. Gluten free wafers are available upon request when you come forward.

The Invitation

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music *Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)*

The people remain sitting or kneeling



1. For what we have done and left un - done, we fall on Your count - less
2. For what You have done, Your life of love, You per - fect - ly lived, we



mer - cies. For sins that are known and those un - known, we call on Your name so
praise You. Though tempt - ed and tried, You fixed Your eyes, You fin - ished the work God



ho - ly. For en - vy and pride, for clos - ing our eyes, for scorn - ing our ver - y
 gave You. And there on the tree, a King a - mong thieves, You bled for a world's be -
 For hearts that are cold, for seiz - ing con - trol, for scorn - ing our ver - y

neigh - bor. In thought word and deed we've failed You our King; how deep - ly we need a
 tray - al. You loved to the end, our mer - ci - ful friend: how pure and for - ev - er
 Mak - er. In thought, word and deed, we've failed You our King, how deep - ly we need a

Sav - ior. _____ Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy
 faith - ful. _____
 Sav - ior. _____

on _____ us. Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy,

Lord have mer - cy on _____ us. _____

His Mercy is More



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
 (2. What) pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What
 (3. What) rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His



-ni-scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or
 Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the
 blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af -



shore, our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more. Praise the Lord, — His mer - cy is
 poor. Our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.
 -ford. Our sins they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.



more. _____ Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn. — Our



sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more. Praise the mer - cy is more.

The Post-Communion Prayer

The people kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and ever-living God,

we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,

with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us, through this Sacrament,

of your favor and goodness towards us;

and that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,

the blessed company of all faithful people;

and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,

to assist us with your grace,

and I or de - pour sac - thorns - con - ri - com - tempt ri - fice pose my on them so my all through rich life, my pride. blood. crown? all.

The Dismissal

The people stand if able

Celebrant Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

Nimrod (Enigma Variations)

Edward Elgar

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Weekly Update, March 17, 2024

Ongoing Ministries

Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets at 9:05am to walk through different books of the bible, verse by verse. Taught by a member of the pastoral staff in the main room of the parish hall. This class can be viewed in person or online each week by livestream.

This class is currently working on a study of 1 Samuel.

Shepherd's Bowl Community Dinner Good Shepherd offers a free nutritious meal to the people of Good Shepherd and the wider community on Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:30. If you are able, this is a great time to get to know others and enjoy a free and delicious meal.

Thursday Evening Bible Study This is a great place to connect with others and learn more about what God has to say to us through his word.

This study is currently working through the book of Mark.

Friday Morning Men's Bible Study Each week a group of men gather at 6:30am to share bible study and prayer time together. Men of any age are welcome to attend. If you are interested in learning more about this study, please email Matt or Jonathan, or contact the church office. This class is currently studying the book of Revelation.

Women's Bible Study meets at 4:30pm on Friday afternoons in the Parish Hall. Anne Kennedy is leading, and they are currently studying the book of Luke. If you'd like to join by zoom, please join the church email list and look for a link in the weekly update email, and text or email Anne to give her a head's up.

Morning Prayer This group meets online by Zoom at 7am Monday through Friday. The liturgy and readings are available each day at www.dailyoffice2019.com.

Join the parish email list and look for a weekly email invitation in your inbox.

Good Shepherd Youth Group

The Youth Group serves young adults by providing an engaging context for them to grow in:

- 1) Maturity in doctrine
- 2) Faithfulness to Christ
- 3) Service to others

The youth group is currently studying the book of Revelation.

Good Shepherd Food Pantry Did you know that Good Shepherd has a member food pantry? The pantry is a small room off the kitchen and a small basket in the kitchen freezer. Everyone is welcome to make use of the church pantry regardless of income. No questions asked.

The food pantry is a great way to directly (and anonymously) help fellow members by donating shelf stable food and frozen items, farm fresh unwashed eggs, and personal hygiene items. If you are in need, please feel free to make use of the pantry. If you'd like more information, please see Jenn Fowler.

Home Groups exist to glorify God and build up the church through weekly gatherings where members of Good Shepherd and non-members alike may come to grow in fellowship and discipleship around God's word.

Current locations and times of groups:

1) Hawleyton Group

Time: Tuesdays @ 6:30pm

Host: Kariah Manwaring

Location: 1412 Hawleyton Rd. Bing., NY 13903

2) Riverside Group

Time: Mondays @ 6pm

Host: Anna Dreher

Location: 103 Vincent St. Bing., NY 13905

3) Endicott Group

Time: Thursdays @ 6:30pm

Host: Joe & Andrea Kovac

Location: 813 Biscayne Terrace, Endwell, NY 13760

4) Zoom Group - Link given upon request.

Time: Tuesdays @ 6:30pm

Host: Scott Pineau

The Services of Holy Week

Schedule

Palm Sunday	8:00 & 10:30am March 24, 2024
Tenebrae	7:30pm, March 27, 2024
Maundy Thursday	6:30pm, March 28, 2024
Good Friday	12:00pm, March 29, 2024
Stations of the Cross	7:30pm, March 29, 2024
The Great Vigil	7:30pm, March 30, 2024
Easter Sunday	8:00 & 10:30am, March 31, 2024

Palm Sunday (Sunday, March 24, 2024)

Palm Sunday is the day that Christians observe the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem. Crowds of people greeted him at the city gates with waving palms as the King of the Jews. One short week later, he would be hung upon the cross at Golgotha.

The service begins with the Liturgy of the Palms outside the main sanctuary doors on the Saratoga St. entrance.

Tenebrae (Wednesday, March 27) 7:30PM Tenebrae means “shadows” in Latin. It is a service of word, light and sound. When you arrive for worship you will see two groups of candles lit on the altar table. As readings are read the candles on the altar will be gradually extinguished until the very end of the service when the last candle left lit is removed from the worship space and the whole sanctuary is left in darkness. At that point a loud crash will (should) shatter the silence of the sanctuary. Then, after a moment, the last candle is returned to the sanctuary and the worshippers depart in silence. The gradual darkening of the sanctuary and the crashing noise symbolizes the apparent victory of death, darkness, and chaos over Jesus Christ on the cross. The final candle being removed and returned, symbolizes the truth that through Jesus’ death, God gained victory over all the powers of evil. The Light was not overcome.

Maundy Thursday (Thursday, March 28) 6:30PM

Maundy Thursday communion celebrates the humility of Jesus with a ceremonial foot washing. Jesus is the King of Kings and Lord of Lord’s and yet on the night before he died, during the Last Supper, he knelt down and one by one washed his disciples’ feet. He did this to show his disciples and to show you and me how to serve one another with humility and love, being willing even to stoop to the most menial tasks. Maundy Thursday is the last chance for communion until the Great Vigil.

Good Friday (Friday, March 29) noon

At about 3pm on Friday of Holy Week he lifted his eyes up to heaven from the cross and breathed out his last. “It is finished” he said. He was not only referring to his life, but he was also referring to his mission to deal with and defeat once and for all sin, death, and Satan.

Stations of The Cross (Friday, March 29) 7:30PM

This is a solemn service. The participants walk through the stations of the cross by candlelight, hearing a brief reading at each, and exit the sanctuary in silence.

The Great Vigil of Easter (Saturday, March 30)

7:30PM Along with Tenebrae, the Easter Vigil is one of the most ancient services of the Church. It is the most important service of the entire year and it is the first service of Easter. The service begins in total darkness—the lights of the sanctuary are out and not a candle is burning. Then a fire is lit in a firepot the center of the nave and from that flame all the candles in the sanctuary are lit and the hand-candles in the congregation. Then come readings and psalms, said and sung, by singers and by the whole congregation. The sermon follows and then the first Communion of Easter. The Great Vigil begins at 7:30pm in the sanctuary.

What's Happening at Good Shepherd

Weekly Prayer List! If you would like to sign up to receive the weekly prayer list for the Church of the Good Shepherd, simply send an email to prayer@goodshepherdbinghamton.org with "add" in the subject line, and you will be added.

This email address is also where you can send any prayer requests you would like to have included in the list.

Each week, we will send out an email with both new and ongoing prayer requests, along with any updates regarding previous requests.

A Pressing Need Chuck Corse, a long-time friend and neighbor of Good Shepherd has encountered some recent health issues. He is in need of an aide to help him throughout the day. If you are interested in the position, please see Steph or contact the church office.

Good Shepherd Food Pantry

Having a bit of a hard time making ends meet? Could use a bit of help with the groceries? The Good Shepherd Food Pantry is there to help. This is an internal food pantry for church members-with food provided by the congregation. If you could use some help, please feel free to pop into the food pantry (just off the kitchen) and grab a few items. We also have a small basket in the freezer that might have a few items as well.

Everyone's generous donations are appreciated! Even a can or two can help. This week we can particularly use:

Canned meat or tuna
Canned soups (those with protein are best)
Peanut butter
Spaghetti Sauce

Christian Education for All

Children

Children aged 2-12 are invited to pray, worship, and learn in specially prepared Montessori-style rooms—The Vineyard (2-3), The Pasture (3-6), and The Tabernacle (7-12). They study the Bible, engage with liturgy, and gradually are oriented to a full life in the church.

Teens

Teens aged 12 to 14 cover a range of topics—the Bible, Liturgy, Church History, Apologetics, the 39 Articles—in a three-year cycle. This is a discussion-style class that prepares kids for confirmation.

Adult Class

Each Sunday a member of the pastoral staff or a guest speaker facilitates a discussion on topics ranging from Christian literature, to social topics, the 39 articles, church history, and more.

Streaming During Holy Week

Because of the heavy workload for all the staff during Holy Week we've made the difficult decision not to livestream the services since it involves a great deal of time and labor. Please join us in person as we observe the Passion of Jesus--his crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection.

Dedication and Celebration

This morning at the 10:30 service we'll be having a dedication ceremony for Amethyst Rodriguez's son, Justice. After the services, at 1:30pm there will be a BBQ and celebration at Jeanne & John D. Wilfley Community Park in Port Dickenson. All are welcome.

Week at a Glance Schedule, March 17, 2024 – March 24, 2024

Sunday

8:00am Service of Holy Eucharist, no music
9:15am Christian Ed for adults and children (online stream available)
10:30am Service of Holy Eucharist (online stream available)
4:30pm Choir rehearsal
6:00pm Youth Group
6:00pm Holy Group Squad

Friday

7:00am Zoom Morning Prayer & Great Litany
6:30am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study
4:30pm Women's Bible Study

Saturday

Sunday

8:00am Service of Holy Eucharist, no music
9:15am Christian Ed for adults and children (online stream available)
10:30am Service of Holy Eucharist (online stream available)
4:30pm Choir rehearsal
6:00pm Youth Group
6:00pm Holy Group Squad

Monday

7:00am Zoom Morning Prayer
6:00pm Riverside Home Group
(Check with Group Leader)

Tuesday

7:00am Zoom Morning Prayer
9:05am Tuesday Morning Bible Study
6:30pm Hawleyton Home Group
(Check with Group Leader)
6:30pm Zoom Home Group
(Check with Group Leader)

Wednesday

7:00am Morning Prayer
6:30pm Choir Practice

Thursday

7:00am Zoom Morning Prayer
5:30pm Shepherd's Bowl Community Dinner
6:00pm Beginner's Bible Study
6:30pm Endicott Home Group
(Check with Group Leader)

Happy Birthday!

March 18 Kit Donovan
March 21 Liz Hull
March 21 Eliana Pineau

Happy Anniversary!

The Vestry of Good Shepherd

Sr. Warden: Tom Dinnel
Jr. Warden: Scott Pineau
Treasurer: Chris Emmons
Mary Restino
Kariah Manwaring
Chris Jones
Sarah Dreher
Bill Lane

Serving at Good Shepherd March 17, 2024

8:00am Service

Celebrant: Matt Kennedy

Preacher: Jonathan Groves

Supporting Clergy: Anne Kennedy

Reader: Chris Musselman

Usher: Terry Ray

10:30am Service

Celebrant: Matt Kennedy

Preacher: Jonathan Groves

Deacon: Roy Van Dermark

Reader: Liz Hull

Intercessor: Jenn Fowler

Crucifer: Addy Pineau

Acolytes: Sophia and Selah Lane

Usher: Jason Carlton, Aedan Kennedy

Tellers: Mark and Timothy Dreher

Altar Guild: Karen Berman (*Purple*)

Nursery: Team 4: Kariah, Gwendolyn, Elinor

Shepherds Bowl: The Musselmans with Team 3

Serving at Good Shepherd March 24, 2024

8:00am Service

Celebrant: Matt Kennedy

Preacher: Matt Kennedy

Supporting Clergy: Anne Kennedy

Reader: Assistant

Usher: Terry Ray

10:30am Service

Celebrant: Jonathan Groves

Preacher: Matt Kennedy

Supporting Clergy: Anne Kennedy

Reader: Jim Hull

Intercessor: Peggy Hughes

Crucifer: Tal Pineau

Acolytes: Annabeth Hull, Bella Powers

Usher: Fred Urda, Josh Powers

Tellers: Nick Restino, Bill Freund

Altar Guild: Karen Carlton (*Red*)

Nursery: Team 5: Emma, Addy, Ellie

Shepherds Bowl: Jonathan Groves with Team 4

Daily Lectionary, Year II

60 Day Psalter Cycle

Monday March 18	Psalm 42, 43 Proverbs 17 Ephesians 1:1-14
Tuesday March 19	Psalm 89:1-29 II Samuel 7:4, 8-16 Romans 4:13-18
Wednesday March 20	Psalm 47, 48 Proverbs 18 Ephesians 2:1-10
Thursday March 21	Psalm 50 Proverbs 19 Ephesians 2:11-22
Friday March 22	Psalm 52, 53, 54 Proverbs 20 Colossians 4
Saturday March 23	Psalm 56, 57 Proverbs 21 Ephesians 4:1-16
Sunday March 10	Psalm 22:1-21 Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 15:1-39

Please Pray For...

ACNA Cycle of Prayer:

Today we pray for the Anglican Province of Tanzania and The Most Rev. Maimbo Mndolwa, Archbishop and his wife, Frida.

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For the Homebound

Charles Mabula, Susan Dewing, Beverly Williams, Lyn Habicht, Chuck Corse

For the Sick

Peyton, Rick, Charles, Larry Dimmick, Chris, Joe, Sue, William and Arianna, Beverly Williams, Lin, Dave Bradbury, Helen & Dave, Jeremy, Sarah, Ronnie, Theresa, Angel, Griffy, Ken, Brendan, and The Swenk Family

For our Missionaries

Please pray for Sarah Day and her work as a missionary in Thailand.