# Church of the Good Shepherd Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

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April 13, 2025 – 10:30am Palm 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!

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# A Service of Holy Eucharist

April 13, 2025 – Palm Sunday

# The Liturgy of the Palms

Today's service will begin at the church sign on Conklin Ave.

Celebrant Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

People Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Dear brothers and sisters, from the beginning of Lent until now we have been preparing our hearts by repentance and self-sacrifice. Today, with the whole Church, we herald the beginning of the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as King with palms and shouts of praise. Today we greet him as our King, though we know his crown was a crown of thorns, and his throne a cross.

Therefore, I invite you to follow our Lord this Holy Week, from his triumphal entry, through his suffering and death, to the glory of his resurrection.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### Luke 19:28-40

And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it." So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

We praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was hailed as King by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Sanctify these branches with your blessing, we humbly pray, that they may be for us signs of his victory. Grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Celebrant Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.People Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Procession

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

**People** In the name of Christ. Amen.

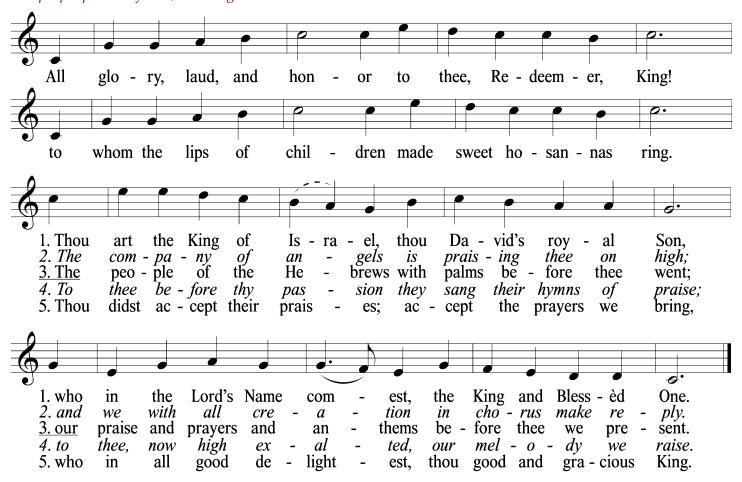
Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Highland Cathedral

bagpipe solo, Kit Donovan

## Thou Art the King of Israel (All Glory, Laud, and Honor)

The people process if able, and sing



# The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And with your spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for us you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and come to share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

### The Lessons

The people sit for the reading of the lessons.

# The First Lesson

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Pew Bible pg. 613, LP pg. 729

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:1-11 sung by the gs choir

1. MY GOD, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

- 2. O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not: and in the night-season also I take no rest.
- 3. And thou continuest holy:

O thou worship of Israel.

4. Our fathers hoped in thee:

they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

5. They called upon thee, and were holpen:

they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

- 6. But as for me, I am a worm, and no man:
- a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.
- 7. All they that see me laugh me to scorn:

they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

8. He trusted in God, that he would deliver him:

let him deliver him, if he will have him.

9. But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb:

thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

10. I have been left unto thee ever since I was born:

thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.

11. O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand:

and there is none to help me.

#### The Second Lesson

# Philippians 2:5-11

Pew Bible pg. 981, LP pg. 1165

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

# The Gospel

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

People Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Luke 23:1-49

Narrator: Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. And they began

to accuse him, saying,

Accuser One: We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar,

and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.

Narrator: And Pilate asked him,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?

Jesus: You have said so.

Narrator: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Pilate: I find no guilt in this man.

Narrator: But they were urgent,

Accuser Two:He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place.

Narrator: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned

that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in

Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long

desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some

sign done by him. So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. The

chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. And Herod with his

soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. And Herod and Pilate became friends with each

other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other. Pilate then

called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

Pilate: You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining

him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against

him. Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has

been done by him. I will therefore punish and release him.

Narrator: But they all cried out together,

Congregation: Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas—

Narrator: a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for

murder. Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, but they kept

shouting,

Congregation: Crucify, crucify him!

Pilate: Why? What evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will

therefore punish and release him.

Narrator: But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their

voices prevailed. So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they

asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

The Congregation Stands

Narrator: And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from

the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. And there followed him

a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for

him.

Jesus: Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your

children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren

and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?

Narrator: Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when

they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the

criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said,

Jesus: Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.

Narrator: And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the

rulers scoffed at him,

Ruler: He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!

Narrator: The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine

Soldier: If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!

Narrator: There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the

criminals who were hanged railed at him,

Criminal One: Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!

Narrator: But the other rebuked him,

Criminal Two: Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And

we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has

done nothing wrong.

Narrator: And he said,

Criminal Two: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus: Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.

Narrator: It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the

ninth hour, while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, called out with a loud voice,

Jesus: Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!

Narrator: And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken

place, he praised God,

Centurion: Certainly this man was innocent!

Narrator: And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had

taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Matthew Kennedy

#### 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

#### The Celebrant says

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 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

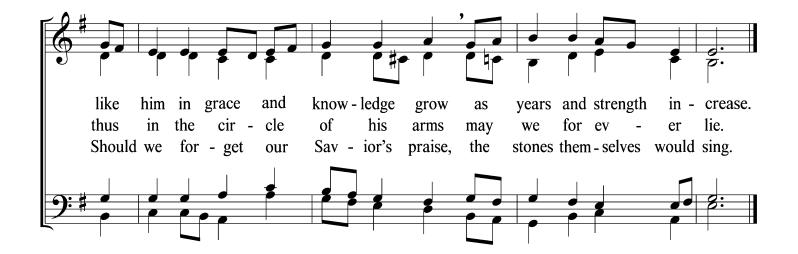
# The Offertory

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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 <u>Breeze</u> or you can text a donation through Breeze at 607-882-6551. Good Shepherd also has a <u>PayPal</u> account. As always, thank you for your great generosity and kind support.

# The Offertory Music When Jesus Left His Father's Throne

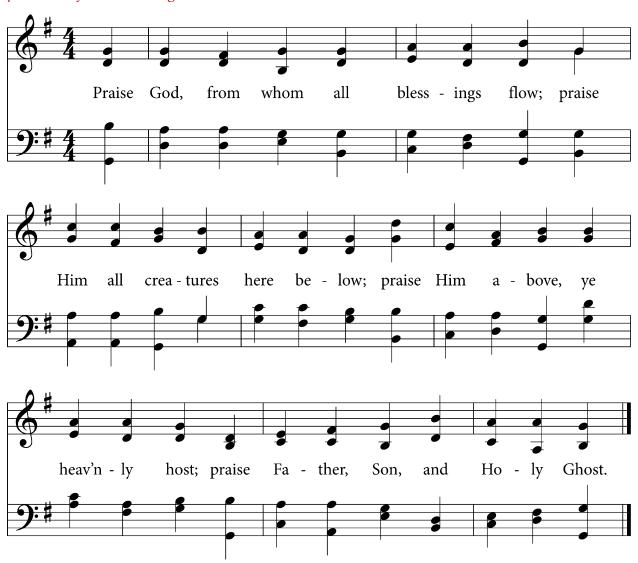




# The Presentation of the Gifts

The people stand, if able, and sing

**Tallis** 



# 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

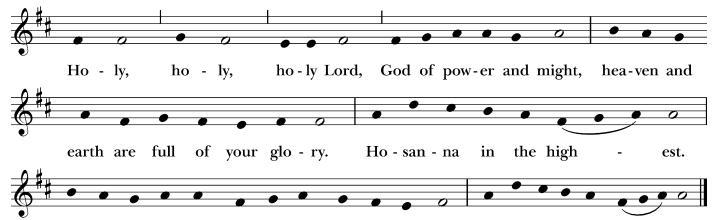
 $I_{\rm t}$  is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the Cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and by his suffering and death he became the author of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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 Hurd

The people remain standing and sing



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

# 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.

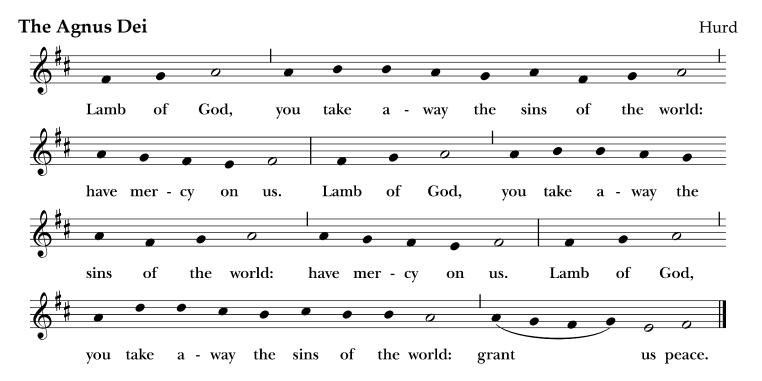
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

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 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

 $\Gamma$  he 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**

## My Song is Love Unknown

The people remain sitting or kneeling

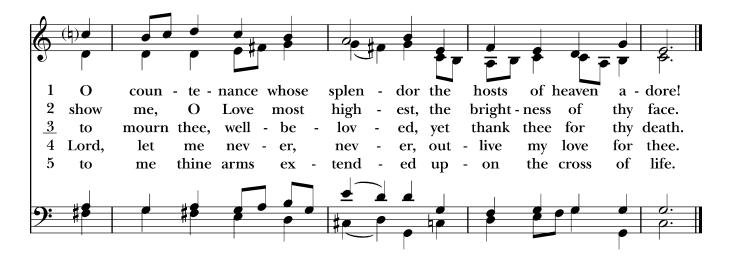


\*6 In life no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine:
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine,
This is my friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

#### O Sacred Head





# 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, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

# The Blessing

#### Celebrant

T he peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### The Recession

Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?

The people stand, if able, and sing



## 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

Komm süsser Tod, komm sel'ge Ruh

J. S. Bach/ V. Fox

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# Weekly Update, April 13, 2025

# **Ongoing Ministries**

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study** meets at 9:05 am in the Parish Hall to walk through the bible, verse by verse. It meets in person and is available online by livestream. They are currently in the book of Judges.

**Shepherd's Bowl** Good Shepherd offers a dinner to the church and wider community on Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:30. This is a great time to get to know others and enjoy a free and delicious meal.

Thursday Evening Bible Study This study meets in the sacristy at 6:15 and is studying the book of Ezra.

**Friday Morning Men's Bible Study** meets at 6:30am for breakfast, study, and prayer. If you are interested, please email or text Matt or Jonathan, or contact the church office. This class is currently in the Book of Genesis.

**Women's Bible Study** meets at 4:30pm on Friday afternoons. They are currently studying the book of Luke.

Morning Prayer meets online by Zoom at 7am Monday through Friday. The liturgy and readings are available at www.dailyoffice2019.com. Join the parish email list and look for a weekly email invitation in your inbox.

**Home Groups** meet weekly around the Binghamton area. They study the readings for the Sunday coming up, pray, and build relationships. Check in with Jonathan or Joe Kovac to get connected.

Good Shepherd Youth Group meets Sundays at 6pm and are studying the book of Genesis. This is an engaging context for kids to grow in

- 1) Knowledge of scripture and doctrine
- 2) Faithfulness to Christ
- 3) Service to others

The youth group meets in the choir loft.

#### **Christian Education for Everyone**

#### Children

For children aged 1-12 Good Shepherd offers Catechesis of the Good Shepherd—a program of prayer, worship, and scripture in specially prepared Montessori-style rooms—The Pen (1-3), The Pasture (3-6), The Vineyard (6-9), and The Tabernacle (7-12).

#### **Teens**

Teens aged 12 through 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**

Discussion and study on topics ranging from Christian literature, the 39 articles, church history, difficult passages of the bible, and more.

#### **Good Shepherd Food Pantry**

Having a bit of a hard time making ends meet? The Good Shepherd Food Pantry is for church members stocked by food provided by the congregation. If you could use some help, please feel free to pop into the food pantry (just off the kitchen). 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.

Food Pantry current needs are: spaghetti sauce, Parmesan cheese, tuna, canned chili (with meat), rice, flavored rice & noodle mixes, diced tomatoes, & canned corn.

# Week at a Glance Schedule, April 13, 2025 - April 20, 2025

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)
12:30pm	Lunch (parish hall)
4:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
6-7:30pm	Youth Group
	Holy Group Squad

Monday 7:00am	Morning Prayer	

Tuesday	
7:00am	Morning Prayer
<del>9:05am</del>	Tuesday Morning Bible Study
3:30-4:30pm	Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday	
7:00am	Morning Prayer
6:30-8pm	Choir Rehearsal
8: <b>00</b> pm	Tenebrae Service

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Thursday	
7:00am	Morning Prayer
5:30pm	Shepherd's Bowl Community Dinner
7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service

Friday	
7:00am	Morning Prayer
12:00pm	Good Friday, noon
8:00pm	Stations of the Cross

Saturday	
10:00am	Vigil Rehearsal
8: <b>00</b> pm	The Great Vigil of Easter

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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, 7:15pm Host: Ronnie Murphy

Location: 1342 Hawleyton Rd. Bing., NY 13903

#### 2) Riverside Group

Time: Mondays, 6:00pm Host: Anna Dreher

Location: 103 Vincent St. Bing., NY 13905

#### 3) Endwell Group

Time: Thursdays 6:30pm Host: Andrea Kovac

Location: 813 Biscayne Terrace, Endwell, NY 13760

4) Zoom Group - Link given upon request.

Time: Tuesdays, 7:00pm Host: Scott Pineau

# The Services of Holy Week

Holy Week and Easter Schedule			
Palm Sunday	April13 <sup>th</sup>		
Tenebrae	April 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00pm	
Maundy Thursday	April 17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	
Good Friday, hours	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm (noon)	
Stations of the Cross	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:00pm	
Vigil Rehearsal	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	
Easter Vigil	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:00pm	
Easter Sunday	April 20 <sup>th</sup>		

#### Palm Sunday (Sunday, April 13th, 2025)

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.

This year, the 10:30 service begins with the Liturgy of the Palms at the street sign, and processes through the parking lot into the sanctuary doors on Saratoga Street.

Tenebrae (Wednesday, April 16th) 8:00PM 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, April 17th) 7:00PM

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, April 18th) 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, April 18th) 8:00PM

The Stations of the Cross is a solemn service. The participants walk through the sanctuary by candlelight, stopping to pray and listen to biblical readings at the fourteen different stations marked (at Good Shepherd) by engravings hung on the walls of the sanctuary. Each station depicts a moment in the suffering of Christ, from the trial where he was condemned, to his procession through Jerusalem carrying his cross, to the hill called Golgotha where he was crucified, ending at the final station, his burial in a tomb.

The Great Vigil of Easter (Saturday, April 19th) 8:00PM 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 at the center of the nave and from that flame all the candles in the sanctuary and the hand-candles in the congregation are lit. 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 8:00pm in the sanctuary.

# What's Happening at Good Shepherd

Make a Joyful Sound! During Easter Vigils in the distant past, it was a tradition for the congregation to ring bells at certain points in the service. We would like to reintroduce that tradition of congregational bell ringing during parts of our Easter Vigil service this year. The bells are rung from the moment the resurrection is announced during the service, through the song that follows, and then any time the word 'Alleluia' is said or sung for the remainder of the service. Anyone attending the Easter Vigil service is welcome to bring small bells to ring at this time. Please consider bringing the type of bell that you wouldn't mind another person ringing right beside or behind you, as the idea is to make a unique and joyous sound during specific parts of the service.

**Easter Flowers** Each year Good Shepherd decorates the altar for the Easter Vigil and Easter Day with many flowers.

This year, we continue the new tradition of inviting the congregation to join us. If you would like to donate toward the purchase of flowers, please make a separate contribution earmarked "Easter Flowers" on any Sunday between now and Palm Sunday. For each \$10 that you give, please take a flower home after the 10:30 Easter Day service.

Wedding Shower Invitation All Ladies of GS are invited to a Bridal Shower celebrating the forthcoming marriage of Adaliah Pineau to Aedan Kennedy hosted by Tal and Gwendolyn on Saturday, May 3rd, from 3-5 in the Parish Hall. Fun and Light Refreshments! Kindly RSVP by April 26, 2025, to Talitha at talpineau@gmail.com.

Adaliah's registry can be found at:

https://www.zola.com/wedding/aedanandadaliah/re gistry or at Adaliah Pineau and Aedan Kennedy's Wedding Website on Zola.

We look forward to celebrating this wonderful gathering with you!

#### 2025 ADLW Synod and Missions Conference

This year's synod and missions conference will be held in McLean, Virginia on May 15-17. Anyone is welcome to attend the open sessions of synod. This year should be particularly interesting as Archbishop Steve Wood, and John Stonestreet will be the primary speakers. You can find more information at our diocese website: adlw.org.

**Soup and Stew Competition Winners** Last Sunday, Good Shepherd held the annual Soup and Stew Competition. Our judges had the difficult task of whittling the nine entries down to the top three.

1st Place - Scott Pineau, Tom Kha Gai Soup
 2nd Place - Bruce and Lyn Layman, Tortellini Soup
 3rd Place - Christine Johnson, Clam Chowder

Congratulations to all of the winners!

**Sunday Lunch** Each Sunday after the 10:30 service, there will be lunch served in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to go down after the service and enjoy a light lunch before heading home.

Easter Egg Hunt On Shrove Tuesday, all the children brightly colored a giant "Alleluia" banner that we then buried in a box marked "Ashes to Ashes, Dust to Dust." This mirrors what we've done as a Church, removing the celebratory "Alleluia!" from our liturgy during Lent. On Easter morning, we will "dig up" the banner and hold it up at the back doors of the church for all the children to run through into the back garden for an Easter egg hunt. Join us for candy and celebration!

#### Please Pray For...

#### **ACNA Cycle of Prayer**

This week we pray for The Church of England

## The Anglican Diocese of the Living Word

This week we pray for St. Augustine Anglican Church in Westerville, Ohio, for Men's Ministry Leaders in ADLW, and for The Rev. Matt Miller

#### For the Homebound

Charles Mabula, Susan Dewing, Beverly Williams, Chuck Corse, Linda Baker, Joe Barrett

#### For the Sick

Peyton, Rick, Charles, Larry Dimmick, Chris, Joe, Sue, William and Arianna, Helen & Dave, Jeremy, Sarah, Theresa, Griffy, Linda, and Gail.

#### For our Missionaries

Please pray for Life Choices and for women and families in difficult situations.

#### For the Persecuted Church

Please pray for Christians in Kyrgyzstan.

#### Happy Birthday!

April 13	Aedan Kennedy
April 15	Chris Musselman
April 18	Ronnie Murphy
April 18	Susan Dewing

# **Happy Anniversary!**

#### **Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings:**

Isaiah 51:9-11

Psalm 118:14-17, 22-24

Colossians 3:1-4

Luke 24:1-12

Daily Lectionary, Year I 60 Day Psalter Cycle			
Monday	, ,		
April 14	Num 8		
•	Mark 9:30-end		
Tuesday	Psalm 107:1-22		
April 15	Num 11		
_	Mark 10:1-31		
Wednesday	Psalm 108, 110		
<b>April 16</b> Num 12			
_	Mark 10:32-end		
Thursday	Psalm 41		
April 17	Dan 9 John 13:1-20		
Friday Psalm 40			
April 18	Lam 3:1-36		
	John 18		
Saturday	Psalm 88		
April 19	Lam 3:37-58		
	Heb 4		
Sunday	Psalm 118		
April 20 Exod 15			
	Acts 2:22-32		

#### **Financial Snapshot**

To let the congregation know how Good Shepherd is faring financially, the vestry provides a financial snapshot based on the budget report that is submitted at the meeting each month. You can find that info below.

#### **February**

YTD Giving & Revenue	111,182
YTD Expenditures	83,788
YTD Gain/(loss)	27,394

#### The Vestry of Good Shepherd

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