THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023 at 10:15 AM



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina. We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and to glorify God in our words and our actions.

SUNDAY SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:15 AM Adult Formation 9 AM Sunday School (K-5) 9 AM Children's Chapel 10:15 AM EYC 5:30 PM

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Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Voluntary: Allegro Moderato & Adagio, from Concerto for Oboe

Alessandro Marcello

Amanda LaBrecque, oboist

Processional Hymn: Thou, whose almighty word

Hymnal, 371

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

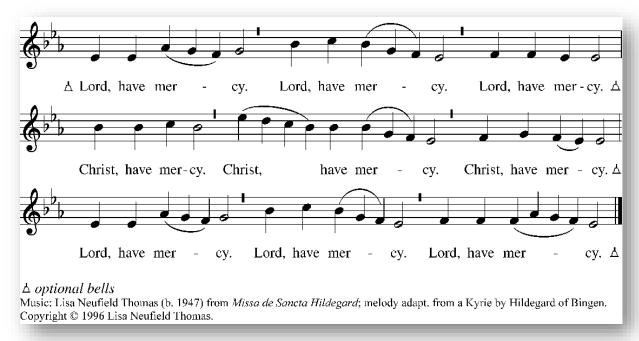
Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Kyrie Eleison



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel

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 Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.

First Lesson 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Lector A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd; *
 I shall not be in want.
- ² He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.
- ³ He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalm 23, Dominus regit me



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- ⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Lector A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

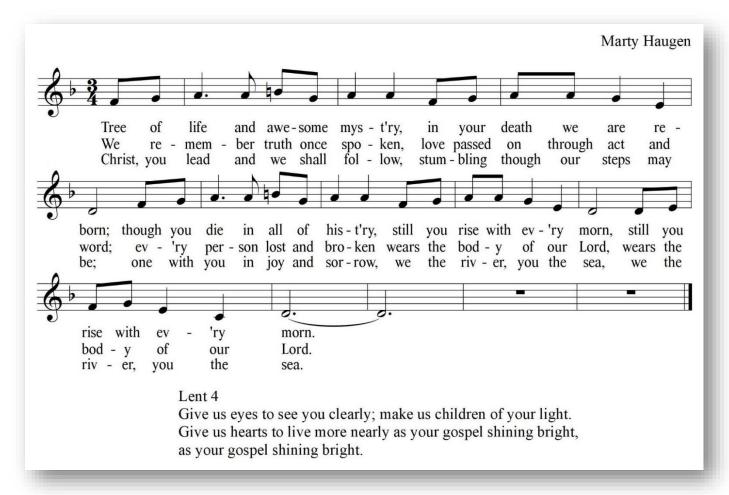
Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery ¹



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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will.

Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Nancy Allison

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP, p. 385

In the course of silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud, and offer silent prayers for those listed below:

Roy Wright, Carolyn Owens, Janet Gilliam, Ralph Sanders, Pete Taylor, Janet Watrous, Martha Bailey, Mary Beth, Peggy Hawks, Ginny Byrd, Mitchell Lawrence, Jim Spodatto, Douglas Warden, Dick Metheny, Lynn Gardner, Sis Cheshire, Marion Harmon, Lori Spencer, Peggy Fee, Betsy Cheshire, William Short, James Mattox, Nomee Tlusty, Catherine and Bob Williams, Aileen and Bob Wood, Fran and Paul Hoch, Rachel and Dan Harris, Cody, Madilyn, and Toni Jarman, Daniel Heath and Family, Elizabeth Alexander and Family, Travis Stevens and Family, Gary B., Daphne, The Dunning Family, The Kaneklides Family, The Rhodenhiser Family, The Sullivan Family, and The Griswold Family.

Confession and Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Diana Rhyne and her husband, Walter Johnson, in thanksgiving for Emery Elaine Rhyne Johnson

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Mack Wilberg

Amanda LaBrecque, oboist and Heather Hills, harpist

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his Name;
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake his ways,
And leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.
The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.

Presentation Hymn: Doxology

Hymnal 380, verse 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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 right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with

all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your

Name:

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S 130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 362 in the Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant ... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant ... By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and

glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

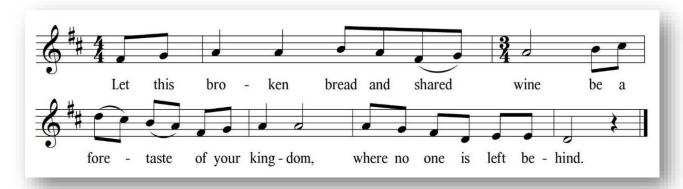
People AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

The Fraction Anthem: Let This Broken Bread



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 Music

Heather Hills, harpist

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.

Common Prayer, The Church of England

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met

us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name;

through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Solemn Prayer over the People

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.

With the people kneeling, the Celebrant continues:

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy

of repentance; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn: O for a thousand tongues to sing

Hymnal 493

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Anna Laura Page

Serving Today

Ushers John Beck and Kris LaValla

Acolytes Grant Carpenter, Ashlyn Gilbert, and Juliet Gilbert

Lectors Gregg Knepley and Jean Knepley

Chalicist Julie Lowe

Sound & Livestream Volunteer Jacob Ferguson

WELCOME!

It is my pleasure to welcome you today to The Church of the Good Shepherd for our celebration of Holy Eucharist on this fourth Sunday in Lent.

If you are visiting today, it is our sincerest wish that you will return to worship with us again soon. Please know that you are always most welcome! I hope you will take a moment to fill out a Visitor Card and then place it in the alms basin as it passes or hand it to an usher, to me, or to one of the other clergy as you leave so that we may be in touch with you.

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Yours in Christ's love, The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser Rector

FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH

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If you would like information about

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

please contact David Baggett, our Parish Administrator, or a member of the clergy.

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

- † Wednesday, March 22 at 12 Noon Midweek Eucharist
- † Friday, March 24 at 12 Noon Stations of the Cross

Please note: Baptisms for adults and children are currently being scheduled for the following dates: April 8 (Easter Vigil), April 9 (Easter Day), April 30, and May 28 (Pentecost). Please contact David in the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a baptism for yourself or your child.

ADULT FORMATION NEXT SUNDAY AT 9 AM

Offering	Speaker/Facilitator	Meeting Room
Breakfast Club	Mary Grace Mzyk	Room 304
Discussion Group: Richard Rohr's Everything Belongs	Rev. Imogen	Parlor
Outreach Spotlight: Getting to Know ReNew Mobile Showers		
Please come learn about ReNew Mobile Showers from Pamela Owens, CEO and Founder. She will present the Project Feel Good for the home challenged and the successful donation of toiletries in our area. During Lent we are called to discern how we may best become aware of and respond to the needs of others of how we may become players in the journey towards Becoming Beloved Community.	Pamela Owens, CEO and Founder ReNew Mobile Showers	Ennis Suite



Sunday, April 2nd - Palm Sunday: 8 and 10:15 AM Nursery available at the 10:15 service on Palm Sunday.

Wednesday, April 5th - Midweek Eucharist: 12 Noon

Thursday, April 6th - Maundy Thursday: 7:00 PM

Friday, April 7th - Good Friday: 12 Noon and 7:00 PM

· Saturday, April 8th - Holy Saturday: Great Vigil of Easter 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 9th - Easter Sunday: 9 & 11 AM

Nursery available at both services on Easter Day.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY ~ SOUND AND LIVESTREAMING

If you have an interest in assisting with this important ministry, please contact Craig DeShong or the Parish Office. No experience is required and training is provided.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! HABITAT 2023 EPISCOPAL BUILD

The Episcopal Coalition brings Episcopal churches together to strengthen relationships while serving hard working families in need of affordable housing. Good Shepherd and Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM) Day is April 22nd, and volunteers who are at least 16 years old are needed to make the day a success. You'll find a link to sign up through the Parish Newsletter and on the parish website. Please contact Don Blankenship or the Parish Office with questions.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING DISCERNMENT SESSIONS

The Order of the Daughters of the King is a religious order for women who are communicants of the Episcopal Church. Members undertake a rule of life which includes a rule of prayer, service and evangelism. The group at The Church of the Good Shepherd is the Bethesda chapter of the Order. Any woman who is interested in learning about becoming a Daughter is invited to attend discernment sessions at the church. The sessions will be held on the following **Saturdays at 10 AM: April 15, April 22, May 6, and May 20**. For more information, please contact Charlotte Netherby or the Parish Office. Also, please be sure to visit the Daughters of the King bulletin board in the Parish Life Center lobby.

GRAPES AND GRAINS COMING THIS SPRING

This year our first communion class, Grapes and Grains, will be held in April and early May. Children may join the course at any age, but the content is geared toward those who can do a bit of independent reading (1st-3rd grades). Parents attend class with their children. If you would like to join the course or have questions, please contact Maggie Fyfe or the Parish Office. Registration is available through the Parish Newsletter and on the parish website.

YOUR VESTRY

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