

# ***Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church***

*A Jubilee Ministry Center*

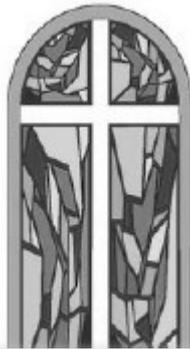


**The First Sunday in Lent**  
Sunday, February 21, 2021 9 am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Celebrant The Rev. John Christopher  
Lector Sue Jenks

## **Our Missional Vision**

Good Shepherd of the Hills brings the love and light of Christ Jesus to our neighbors in the Foothills Community, so that they may know Him and be brought into the fellowship of His Church.

**The Right Rev. Jennifer A. Reddall, Bishop  
The Rev. John Christopher, Interim Priest  
Eunkyung Suh-Lee, Director of Music  
Ashley Phillips, Director of Children's Ministry  
Jarrod Phillips, Director of Youth Ministry  
Teresa Garnica, Sexton**



# Church News

# Holy Eucharist, Rite II

## The Word of God

### *Opening Acclamation*

**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.

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

### *The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### A Reading from the Book of Genesis

#### Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 25:1-9 (The Psalm Will Be Read *In Unison*)

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God**

## The Gospel

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith.

People: **We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

We believe in God:

who created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. **Amen**

## Prayers of the People

### Celebrant

Raising our voices in proclamation and praise, let us rejoice as we offer our prayers to God, responding,  
“Lord, hear our prayer.”

### Lector

+ In thanksgiving for the peacemakers who toil in troubled lands, and in families of discontent, that the Prince of Peace may give them words of wisdom as they seek to encourage new means of communication and the mending of relationships; let us pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

+ In thanksgiving for those who bring treasures to the poor and needy of the world, offering precious gifts of hope to God’s fragile people; let us pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

+ For those who exercise leadership throughout our Church, that they may bear in their actions the love of Christ, enlightening the hearts of those who have a hidden faith, and strengthening those of a weak spirit; let us pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

+For those who have died in the noonday of their lives, and for parents who grieve the loss of children, that they may be comforted by the Father of us all, whose only Son was not spared an early death; let us pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

+ In thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, remembering those who have been our mentors and teachers, and through whose companionship we have experienced the riches of divine grace; let us pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

As God's adopted children, through the will of Jesus Christ, let us add to these prayers and thanksgivings.

+For honesty in government, that our leaders may make decisions for the good of the people and not for personal or political gain; all who serve the common good of our country and the peoples of the world; may they strive for righteousness and justice in their important and far-reaching decisions; for this we pray.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

+For those on our Good Shepherd Prayer list; for all those in danger and need; for all suffering from tragedies and natural disasters, both here and abroad; for all who walk in death's dark valley, that there may be an end to the violence and suffering, and that peace may become a reality.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Celebrant:**

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**Celebrant and People:**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant says:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**The Peace**

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## Virtual Offering

~Offertory Anthem~  
“Be Thou My Vision”  
By Irish Folk Melody

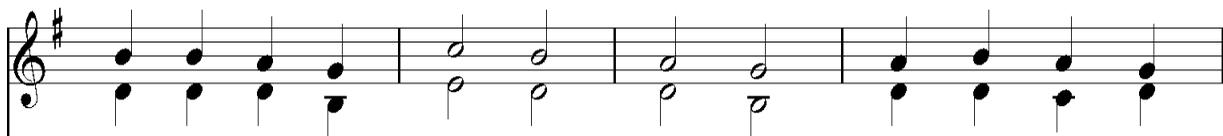
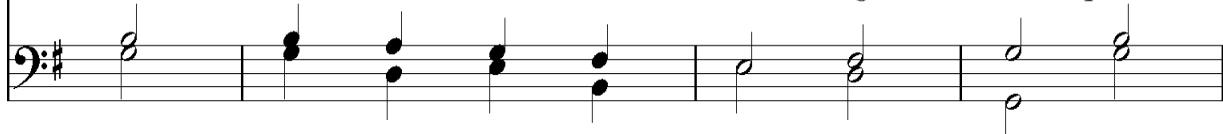
On the third Sunday of the month, the loose offering are normally designated for the Rector's Discretionary Fund. You can still submit your offering online (input amount under General Fund and add Rector's Disc. Fund" box) or via check and add "Rector's Disc. Fund" in the memo line. Thank you.



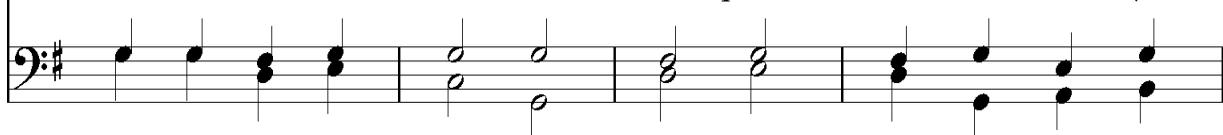
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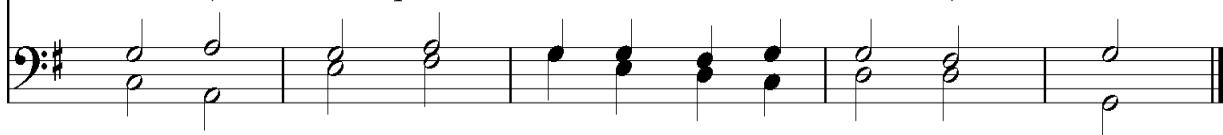
\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye



heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



## The Holy Eucharist *Eucharistic Prayer B*

The 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.

*The Celebrant proceeds:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

Sanctus

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, hosanna, in the highest, in the highest.

## *The Sanctus Bell is Rung*

*The Celebrant continues:*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People:*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant Continues:*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People:*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. *Amen.*

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

[Take them in remembrance that Christ lives for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

## *Sanctus Bell is rung*

### **Communion of the People**

All are welcome to receive communion.



### **Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

#### *Celebrant and People:*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you with gladness  
and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Solemn Lenten Prayer over the People

*In Lent, in place of a seasonal blessing, a solemn Prayer over the People is used, as follows:*

*The Celebrant says:*

Bow down before the Lord.

*The Celebrant Continues:*

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## ~Recessional Hymn #142 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,  
 2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,  
 3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,  
 4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,  
 5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.  
 2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.  
 3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.  
 4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.  
 5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898) Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)



We ask for your blessing for those celebrating their birthday:

Sandy Vollrath, Andrew McCombs, Ashley Phillips,  
Arlene Sampson



### **Please Pray For the Following People**

Mariah Myers, Paddi Mozilo, Sherron Hodgkinson, Deacon Michael Douglas, James Micuda, Mike, Tracie, Erica Richardson, Alice Crichton, Jenny West, Kathy Frederick, Jeff, Christopher Thoms, Patricia Wolfe, Sally, Tom Sampson, Tabitha Erickson, Marilyn Allen, Phil Walin, Bill and Phyl L., Bonnie C., Michael Thoms, Lynn Walsh

### **Please Pray for those in the Armed Forces**

Stephanie Case Andersen, Adam and Kim Bennett, Jeff Walker, Jeff Lindbom, Jordan Knight, Katherine Guthrie, Pierce Guthrie, Nathan Cole, John A. Malley-Garza, Benjamin McCombs, Gabriel Leite, Blake Henderson Jr., David Allen Slockett

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **AFRICAN TEAM MINISTRIES**

**Serving the Church in East Africa through the sales of crafts and jewelry.**

*Due to the pandemic African Team Ministries has gone virtual!*

*Instead of the viewing their items in Maitland Hall, you can now view and purchase the items online from their virtual store.*

**The link for the Virtual store  
is <https://africanteamstore.square.site/>**

***From these sales, they are able to help East Africa in life changing ways! These include:***

1. To help orphans and vulnerable children have access to education, nutritious food, healthcare, and livelihood support.
2. Provision of jobs for unemployed women as they make crafts, and are thereby enabled to care for their children and parents.
3. Resources for projects for refugee relief, health education, clergy & lay education and building repairs as they occur.
4. Family-sized drip irrigation to provide water to families.
5. Meals to help those without food due to drought.



**Display Information**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Gold Mine is open and*

NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!

Clean out your closets and bring us your gently used items! We are accepting donations during business hours Friday and Saturday 9 am to 3pm! Please note, we cannot accept donations of large items including furniture, mattresses or appliances. We appreciate your continue support!



## You're Invited!

### *Coffee with Mary*

Join Mary every Tuesday via Zoom at 10am!  
Zoom meeting to get together with each other and discuss our many blessings and tribulations.



During the pandemic I know how hard it is to be isolated and alone. Desperate feelings appear one never knew they had. But, if one steps back and can voice their fears and joys to someone it is helpful. God is always listening...

If you are interested in joining please check your email for your Zoom invite or contact the office at [goodshepherdaz@msn.com](mailto:goodshepherdaz@msn.com).

-Mary Pierce

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### You're invited!

#### Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer has started back up on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am via Zoom.



Centering Prayer is a receptive method of Christian silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer, prayer in which we experience God's presence within us, closer than breathing, closer than thinking, closer than consciousness itself.

Our prayer session will consist of an opening reading, 20-minute silent meditation, a spiritual video, and a brief closing discussion.

If you are interested in joining please check your email for your Zoom invite or contact the office at [goodshepherdaz@msn.com](mailto:goodshepherdaz@msn.com).



Father John will be holding a Compline Service via Zoom every Wednesday beginning at 6pm. You can follow along using The Book of Common Prayer P. 127, or the online version of BCP that can be found on our website here (<https://www.goodshepherdaz.org/join-us-online.html>).

If you are interested in joining please check your email for your Zoom invite or contact the office at [goodshepherdaz@msn.com](mailto:goodshepherdaz@msn.com).

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