



October 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

108 West Broad Ave + Berlin, NJ 08009

A Mission in the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey.

Where Love Abounds and Hope is Found!

Our Vision: *To be a faithful and growing Church that connects people to Jesus Christ.*

Our Mission: *To know Christ more fully,
To love and serve Him more faithfully,
To make Him better known to others.*

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Processional Hymn (CWTL #74)

“Glory and Praise to Our God”

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Acclamation

Please remain standing as you are able.



Celebrant: ☩ Bles - sed be God: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spirit.



Community: And bles - sed be his Kingdom, now and for e - ver. A - men.

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant may say:

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.***

Confession of Sin

Deacon:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

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.*

Absolution

Celebrant:

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

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis (JMT) (*sung together, all standing as you are able*)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: Receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in ✠ the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Collect for the Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson (Jeremiah 31:7-9) Margaret McCafferty

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and
those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

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

Psalm 126 (*read responsively by verse*)

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then
were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, * "The LORD has done great things for them."

4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson (Hebrews 7:23-28)

Gail Cecchini

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Please stand as you are able.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

Deacon The ☩ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to *Mark*.

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

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Lay Teaching

“Stewardship Talk”

Chris Botto

Darlene Watson, Stewardship Committee Co-Chair

The Nicene Creed

(Please stand as you are able: all say together)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection ☩ of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Dcn. Bruce Cecchini

The Celebrant says:

“Take heart; rise, He is calling you.” As we follow the Lord along His way of Faith, let us lift our hearts to His Father in intercessory prayer saying, Lord, hear our prayer.

Deacon and people read responsively:

For all bishops, priests and deacons who teach and lead God's People, as we intercede for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; Sally, our Bishop; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; and Bartholomew, the Patriarch of Constantinople.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For wise and responsible judges who administer the laws of our nation as we pray for all the members of the Supreme Court.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For people suffering from failing eyesight or blindness.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For joyous faith in the Holy Spirit.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all those in our community, that our prayers for them may be lifted up on high, especially:

- Joe, our President; Phil, our Governor; and Rick, our Mayor.
- All Missionaries throughout the world.
- The persecuted Church throughout the world.
- Our troops serving at home and abroad.
- All expectant mothers and their unborn children.
- All those who are sick and suffering, *especially Brandi Miller, Mary Smith, and Sonia Giscombe.*
- The victims of crime in our communities.

- The victims of natural and environmental disasters, *especially those of Hurricane Oscar.*
- Those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts.
- Our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Melissa Listman Adams and Talia Perez;* and those celebrating anniversaries, *especially Jerry & April Mae Rugletic.*
- For our absent brothers and sisters.

The people are invited to add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all those who have fallen asleep in Christ, *as we pray for Jack Iker [Bishop] and Nicholas Jalboot.*

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Let us pray together for the Good Shepherd Church Family:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for the Church family of Good Shepherd. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant:

Father, as we lift our hearts to you in humble supplication, so we prepare to return to you our love and gratitude in the Eucharist of your Son, our eternal Priest, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing of the Sunday School Children and Teacher

General Prayer for Comfort and Healing

(please come forward to the altar rail if you are interested).

The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

- ✚ **Lay Readers and Presenters of the Elements Sign-up sheets for November and December** are in the back.
- ✚ **Operation Christmas Child** – spreading the Good News of Christ through packing and gifting a Shoebox for children around the world. Shoeboxes and brochures about this ministry are available in the back for anyone interested in contributing. The filled boxes are due no later than the third Sunday in November.
- ✚ **No Fellowship Brunch today** because of our Basket Auction.
- ✚ **Bible Study and Upcoming Services**
 - **Bible Study:** Wednesday, Oct. 30, 10:30am Session 7pm Session, *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, “Conquest and Judges: Royal Kingdom.”*
 - **All Saints’ Day Service,** Friday, Nov. 1, 9:00am
 - **All Souls Day Service,** Saturday, Nov. 2, 9:00am
Please add the names of loved ones who have *Entered the Larger Life* on the list in the back of the Church whom you would like to be remembered at this Service.

Fundraisers:

- **Basket Auction and Luncheon** will be held today, **Sunday, October 27, 2024**, at Paris Caterers Berlin. Tickets are **\$45 per person**. If you are available to help putting the basket in cars to be transported to the venue and setting them up at the venue, please stick around after service.
- **Christmas Shopping Raffle** tickets are available at \$5 each. 1st Prize - \$1,000 worth of store gift cards; 2nd Prize - \$500 Visa Gift Card; 3rd Prize - \$250 Visa Gift Card. Proceeds to benefit the church. Please see Darlene or Lillian for tickets.
- **Wawa Hoagie Coupons** are available at \$5 each. Please see Lillian if you are interested.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST

Offertory Hymn (CWTL #68)

“Be Exalted O God”

Please stand as you are able.

The Offering of the Bread

The Celebrant takes the bread to be consecrated and places it on the corporal. The following may be said:

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Life.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Offering of the Wine

The Celebrant takes the wine to be consecrated and places it on the corporal. The following may be said:

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to
offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us our spiritual drink.

***People* Blessed be God for ever.**

The Celebrant may address the community with these words.

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my Sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God the Father
Almighty.

***People:* May the Lord receive the Sacrifice at your
hands, to the praise and glory of His Name,
both to our benefit, and that of all His holy
Church.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Please stand as you are able.

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 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 on the first day of
the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious
resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.*

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 and Benedictus (JMT #3)

(sung together, all remain standing as you are able)

**Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of Power
God of power and might.**

**The heavens and the earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

**✠Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**


The people stand or kneel. 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." ✠

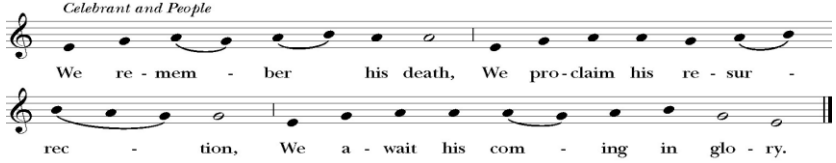
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." ✠

Celebrant



There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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 Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; Joseph her spouse, with the apostles, martyrs; 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 forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men! A - men, a - men, a - men!

The Lord's Prayer

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

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, for ever and ever.

Breaking of The Bread

[Fraction Anthem]

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) (sung together)

Celebrant:

✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

Communion Hymn (CWTL #39)

“Coming to the Table”

Postcommunion 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.

The Blessing

Celebrant blesses the congregation.

The 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. May our blessed Lady, blessed Joseph, and all the saints pray for you; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

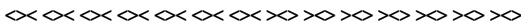
Please stand as you are able.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn (LEVAS II #130) *“Glory., Glory,
Hallelujah”*

After Worship Prayer *BCP #68, Page 835*

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Fr. Russell A. Griffin, SSC
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The Rev. Bruce Cecchini
Deacon

Andrew Listman
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Louis Durham
Music Minister

Chris Botto (*guest*)
Margaret McCafferty
Gail Cecchini
Lay Readers

Jerry & April Mae Rugletic
Element Presenters

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! You may be new to us, but you are known and loved by God. Please fill out the visitor's card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you and having you worship with us again soon.

Prayer List (please let us know when your loved one should be removed).

Current Military Service:

Aiden Borden	Jonathan DeMaria
Andrew Miller	Joseph Hodges
Carter Smyth	Keith Taylor
Charles Devoll	Mason Smiley
Dalton Anders	Roman Mealey
David Daniels	Ted Chavis
Dave Niglio	
Dominique Trappey	
Felix Perez	
Francois Trappey	
Jacob Listman	
Jessica Smyth	
Jimmy Sheridan	

Expectant Mothers and their Babies

Elizabeth Schaffer (January)

Comfort & Healing

Albert Spinelli	Jason	Paul Paine
Barbara Hill	Jerry Hathaway	Paul Williams
Barbara MacLeod	John Collier	Pauleen Williams
Barbara Peters Villari	John Rankin	Regina Listman
Betsy Richards	Joseph Wright	Richard Mealey
Carlos Guemes	Joyce Foster	Ricky Beam
Celiann Santiago	Judi Hathaway	Robert Bratty
Dale Maloney	Linda Mulero	Robert Huster
Dave McMichael	Lisa Gallagher	Robert Kebler
Dona Smith	Lori Gantz	Tom Knott
Donna Vandy	Mackenzie Wister	Sheila Williams
Doris Elaine Philips	Mary Corson	Steven Ireland
Edna Krug	Mary McGrath	
Gary Spinelli	Meredith Del Rosi	
George Phelps	Mr. & Mrs. Moe	
Ginger Phelps	Mrs. Simon	
Hailey Mikula	Norman Rogers, Sr.	
Jack Rogers	Pat Knott	