



THE
TWENTY-
FOURTH
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST

November 3, 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 #91)

“Hymn of Glory”

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Acclamation

Please remain standing as you are able.



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-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson (Deuteronomy 6:1-9) Gail Cecchini

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said: Now this is the commandment--the statutes and the ordinances--that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children's children, may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:1-8 (*read responsively by verse*)

1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, * who walk
in the law of the LORD!

2 Happy are they who observe his decrees * and seek him with all their hearts!

3 Who never do any wrong, * but always walk in his ways.

4 You laid down your commandments, * that we should fully keep them.

5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct * that I might keep your statutes!

6 Then I should not be put to shame, * when I regard all your commandments.

7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, * when I have learned your righteous judgments.

8 I will keep your statutes; * do not utterly forsake me.

The Second Lesson (Hebrews 9:11-14) Kaydiann Sangster

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

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 12:28-34

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

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

One of the scribes came near and heard the Sadducees disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’ —this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

Fr. Russell A. Griffin, SSC

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:

“You are not far from the Kingdom of God.” Let our prayers today and everyday show that we love the Lord our God with all our heart, and with all our soul, mind and strength. Let our prayers show that we love our neighbors as we respect and reverence ourselves as we pray, Lord, hear our prayer.

Deacon and people read responsively:

That the holy Church of God may grow in charity and unity.

Silence

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

That obedience to God's Law may guide those who govern us.

Silence

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

That people who seek goodness and decency may find a relationship in Jesus Christ.

Silence

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

That we may know our neighbors and show them Christian love and mercy.

Silence

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

That Christ might grant the special intentions of this church, as we pray for:

- Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sally, our Bishop; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; and Bartholomew, the Patriarch of Constantinople.
- 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 the flash flooding in Spain.*

- Those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts.
- Our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Finnius McCafferty, Lillian Knott, McKenzie Wister, and Willow D'Ancona.*
- 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.***

That this priestly sacrifice may cleanse and perfect the dead, *especially [N].*

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:

Heavenly Father, you have called us to be your disciples and have invited us to your altar. Behold now your church assembled here at this Eucharist. Confirm our trust that we will share one day in the banquet of your eternal Kingdom. We ask this through Christ your Son, who is our great High Priest. 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

✚ The **Mission Committee meets next Sunday** at 11 a.m. after our **Fellowship Potluck Brunch**.

✚ **Lay Readers and Presenters of the Elements Sign-up sheets for December and January** are in the back.

✚ **Congratulations to Fr. Russell** who will be honored at St. Uriel's next Sunday as Rector Emeritus.

✚ Thank you to everyone who submitted their **2025 Pledge Forms**.

✚ **Bible Study:** Wed., Nov. 6, 10:30am Session, 7pm Session, *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, "Divided Kingdom," "Exile" and "Return."*

✚ **Outreach:**

- **Operation Christmas Child** – spreading the Good News of Christ through packing and gifting a Shoebox for children around the world. Collecting through November 17.
- **Teach for Haiti** – an outreach program our church sponsors to help improve literacy in Haiti. If you are interested in supporting, you may donate online via the Outreach dropdown option, put your check made payable to the church or your cash in an envelope with your name in the offering plate. We are collecting through the last Sunday in November.

✚ **Fundraisers:**

- **Thank you to everyone who supported our Basket Auction and Luncheon** this year. We had

another successful event, and we want to thank especially Darlene Watson and Lillian Knott who head our Fundraising Committee.

- **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 (1982 Hymnal #286)

*“Who Are these
Like Stars
Appearing”*

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." ✠

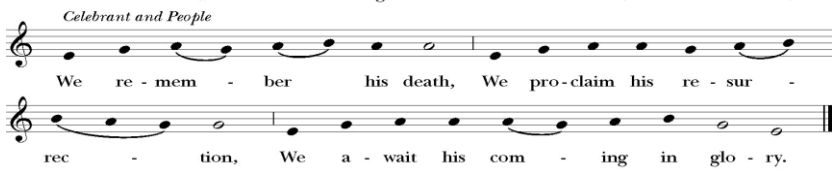
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” ✠

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.



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 (1982 Hymnal #287) *“For All These Saints”*

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 #226)

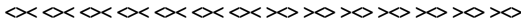
*“Mine Eyes Have
Seen the Glory”*

After Worship Prayer

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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.*



Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for brunch immediately following the service.

The Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Fr. Russell A. Griffin, SSC
Celebrant and Homilist

The Rev. Bruce Cecchini
Deacon

Andrew Listman
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Louis Durham
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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	<u>Expectant Mothers and their Babies</u>
Jacob Listman	Elizabeth Schaffer (January)
Jessica Smyth	
Jimmy Sheridan	

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
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Edna Krug	Mary McGrath	
Gary Spinelli	Meredith Del Rosi	
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Ginger Phelps	Mrs. Simon	
Hailey Mikula	Norman Rogers, Sr.	
Jack Rogers	Pat Knott	