



THE  
TWENTY-FIRST  
SUNDAY  
AFTER  
PENTECOST

October 13, 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** (1982 Hymnal #460)      “Alleluia, Sing to Jesus”

*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**

*Celebrant:*

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-First Sunday after Pentecost**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; 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** (Amos 5:6-7,10-15) Margaret McCafferty

*A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.*

Seek the Lord and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.  
Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.  
Therefore, because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.  
For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.  
Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.  
Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

**Psalm 90:12-17** (*read responsively by verse*)

12 So teach us to number our days \* that we may apply  
our hearts to wisdom.

**13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? \* be  
gracious to your servants.**

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our  
life.

**15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you  
afflicted us \* and the years in which we suffered  
adversity.**

16 Show your servants your works \* and your splendor  
to their children.

**17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be  
upon us; \* prosper the work of our hands;  
prosper our handiwork.**

**The Second Lesson** (Hebrews 4:12-16)

Cynthia Griffin

*A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.*

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*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 10:17-31

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

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

**Lay Teaching**                      “*Stewardship Talk*” Kathleen Vaccarella

**Sermon**                                      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**

Andrew Listman

*The Celebrant says:*

*“For God all things are possible.” Jesus Christ challenges us to exchange the material riches of this world for His eternal Wisdom. Our prayers, as His people, can help us to enter His heavenly Kingdom as we pray, Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Lay Reader and people read responsively:*

That your Holy Catholic Church may free men and women from materialism and folly.

*Silence*

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

That wealthy nations may share their resources with poor nations and not exploit them.

*Silence*



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

That Christians who are rich may learn the wisdom of sharing their wealth with generous charity.

*Silence*

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

That we may have wisdom to understand and interpret God's living and active word.

*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; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; 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 pregnant women and their unborn children.
- All those who are sick and suffering, *especially Robert Huster, George & Ginger Phelps, and Jerry & Judi Hathaway.*
- The victims of crime in our communities.
- The victims of natural and environmental disasters, *especially those of Hurricane Milton.*
- Those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts, *especially in the Middle East and Eastern Europe.*
- Our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Dorothea Sewter, Deborah Sherwood, Rob Driever, Nickolette McCafferty, Patti McCafferty, and Treyvon*

*McCaully*; and for those celebrating anniversaries,  
*especially Rob & Lorelle Driever.*

- 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 the dead may inherit eternal life and the riches of the  
Kingdom, *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:*

*Most loving Father, hear the petitions of the people you have  
gathered at this altar to hear your word of wisdom and to be  
nourished by your beloved Son, 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

- ✚ The **Mission Committee** meets today at 11 a.m. in the upper-level room of the Church Hall.
- ✚ **Prayer List Clean-Up**
- ✚ **Quarterly Giving Statements** are available in the back for pick up.
- ✚ **Polo Shirt Size sheet** is in the back of the Church. Please confirm, correct, or add your size to the list.
- ✚ **Lay Readers and Presenters of the Elements Sign-up sheets for November and December** are in the back.
- ✚ **Bible Study and Upcoming Services**
  - **Bible Study:** Wednesday, Oct. 16, 10:30am Morning Session 7pm Evening Session, *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, "The Patriarchs"*.
  - **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 on **Sunday, October 27, 2024**, at Paris Caterers Berlin. Tickets are **\$45 per person**. **Today** is the deadline to turn in basket donations. Please see Darlene or Lillian for tickets and turn in your ticket money by **next Sunday** so the headcount can be finalized.
  - **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 #368)

*“Holy Father,  
Great Creator”*

*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 #64)

*“Holy Ground”*

## **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.*

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

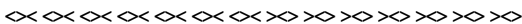
**Recessional Hymn** (LEVAS II #136)

*“I Have Decided  
to Follow Jesus”*

**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*

Andrew Listman  
*Eucharistic Minister*

Louis Durham  
*Music Minister*

Kathleen Vaccarella  
Margaret McCafferty  
Cynthia Griffin  
Andrew Listman  
*Lay Readers*

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

### **Expectant Mothers and their Babies**

Elizabeth Schaffer (January)

### **Comfort & Healing**

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