

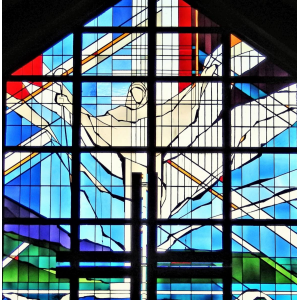


THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Shepherd's Staff

September 10, 2026

Celebrating Community and Serving Others!



Sunday Schedule for September 13, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Start Up Sunday! Formation BEGINS!

Parish Breakfast & Ministry Fair

8:00am Holy Eucharist Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00am Formation For All Ages

- Shepherd's Kids - kindergarten thru 3rd grade (LL Room 2)
- Faith Explorers - 4th thru 6th grade (LL Room 4)
- EYC - 7th thru 12th grade (LL Room 3)
- Parenting in the Pews (Shepherd's Nook)
- Adult Forum is scheduled to begin September 20

9:15am Senior Choir Rehearsal (Sheads Hall, Sanctuary)

10:15am Holy Eucharist Worship (Sanctuary & [Livestream](#))

11:30am Parish Breakfast and Ministry Fair (Parish Hall)

Weekday Worship:

Tuesdays at 12:00pm - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)

Tuesdays at 8:00pm - Compline (Zoom)

Wednesdays at 5:30pm - Contemplative Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)

Thursdays at 8:00pm - Compline (Zoom)



This is the Sunday you've been waiting for!

Start Up Sunday! - Sunday, September 13

9:00am Formation for Children, Youth, & Adults

Adult Forum is still playing hooky until September 20.

It's time to settle back into routine. Enjoy a deeper understanding of God's word while seeing your friends! Grab a coffee and maybe even a breakfast treat!

Formation takes place downstairs on Sunday mornings. Parents are encouraged to join Parenting in the Pews while kids are in formation classes.



Parish Breakfast by Bigfoot Gourmet AND

Choose Your Own Adventure Ministry Fair

Sunday, September 13 after the 10:15 service (Parish Hall)

Enjoy friends and breakfast while also choosing to serve one or more of our ministries! There are many to choose from, and **many you can enjoy with your children as well.** You just never know where the ministry could lead you.

New friends, opportunities for service, and good vibes all await you.



Senior Choir Welcomes You - Let's GO!

Sign up on September 13 at the Ministry Fair (Parish Hall)

Do you love to sing? The Senior Choir is always looking for new voices to join us! Choir is not only about music—it's **about fellowship, fun, and adding beauty to our worship together.** No prior experience is necessary, just a willingness to learn and a desire to contribute to our parish's life of song. Rehearsals are on **Thursday evenings from 7:15 - 9:00.** We'd love to welcome you into this warm and supportive community. Contact [Nancy Smith](#) or [Alex Bean](#) for more details.

Ring and Rejoice Handbell Choir

Sign up on September 13 at the Ministry Fair (Parish Hall)

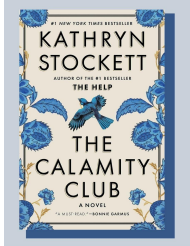
Calling anyone 16 and older and looking for a new challenge or adventure. Ring & Rejoice, the church's handbell choir, is looking for new ringers. No worries if you don't know how to ring a handbell. We can teach you! Contact the music table at the Ministry Fair or email [Walt Todenhoft](#).



SOS - Solo Seniors

Thursday, September 17 - 12:30pm Milano's in Springfield
6230-G Rolling Road, Springfield, VA

We invite anyone who has either lost or is caring for a loved one to join us in supporting one another through conversation and fellowship. **Please RSVP to either Cappy McMurtry (703-855-4155) or Priscilla Baetcke (703-402-3284).**



Text in Community

The Calamity Club: A Novel by Kathryn Stockett

Tuesday, October 13, 7:30pm - Zoom

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER * The multimillion-copy-selling author of *The Help* returns with a bold, big-hearted novel about a group of unbreakable women, fighting for what's rightfully theirs—and the power of friendship to change everything. [Click here to read more!](#)



Outreach News:

The Lamb Center Hope and a Future Fundraising Banquet

Thursday, October 22, 6:00-8:30p, Falls Church Marriott Fairview Park

The Lamb Center is a daytime drop-in center that provides meals, clothing, and laundry, medical, dental, and counseling services to people experiencing homelessness. To support the Center's vital work, Good Shepherd's Outreach Committee has purchased a table for ten for its annual fundraising banquet to be held on Thursday, October 22, at the Falls Church Marriott Fairview Park from 6:00 - 8:30 pm. If you would like to attend (at no cost to you) or if you have questions, please contact Dottie Wimberly at wimberlyd@aol.com by September 30.



Lois Lightfoot Blood Drive

Sunday, October 11 - Sign-Up Coming Soon!

Good Shepherd will host a blood drive on Sunday, October 11. **INOVA requires commitments from 30 people.** The minimum donor age is 16 (with parental consent). One blood donation can save up to three lives. If you have any questions, please contact Fred Jones at dr_j433@yahoo.com.



Front Office Volunteer Help Needed

We need front office volunteers! It's only a 2-1/2 hour shift commitment. We also need more folks on our substitute list. I'm sure you have all the qualifications.

- Answer phone & greet people
- Assist with light office duties
- Get to know your parish family!

We have lots o'fun around here. Please email Virginia if you can help.



Parish Ministry Calendar

Thursday, September 10

1:00pm Stronger Memory Program (Zoom)
7:15pm Senior Choir Rehearsal (Sheads)
8:00pm Compline (Zoom)

Friday, September 11

Office closed
9:00am AA (Parlor)
3:30pm FACETS Hot Meals (Kitchen)
7:00pm AA "Happy Hour Group" (Parlor)

Saturday, September 12

7:30am Men's Fellowship (Zoom)
8:30am Flower Guild (Kitchen)
11:00am Altar Guild Team 2 (Sanctuary)

Sunday, September 13

Monday, September 14

Office closed

9:00am AA (Parlor)

Tuesday, September 15

12:00pm Holy Cross Day (Observed) Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)

1:00pm Flower Ministry (Kitchen)

8:00pm Compline (Zoom)

Wednesday, September 16

10:30am Staff Meeting (Parlor)

5:30pm Contemplative Eucharist (Sanctuary)

7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting (Parlor)



Prayers of the People

For the special concerns of: John Barth, Angel Hunt, Judy and Ray Caddell, Landra, Packy Daniels, Diane Stevens, Luke Margolis, Laura Hammer, Chen Hollifield, Richard Morris, Ricardo Cruz, Marlene Bekey, Mary Helman, the Henderson, Pollard, Barker, and McGarry families, Stephen Post, Elena Johnson, Joe St. Germain, Spencer Goldman, Jane and Kirk Taylor, Cora, Robert Harrison Reed, Rod McFadden, Alfonse Russiero, Barbara Burgess, Robert Grey, Heather Abrams, Michael Dubin, Susan Marshall, Cindy, Elizabeth Anderson, Marcia Brock, Susan Generazio, Gary Halstead, Jim Zernicke, Nancy Ehlke, Margaret Donahoe, Norris and Charlene Sisson, David Stiles, Doug Smith, Craig Dubishar, Alli Houseworth, Ann Grey, John Wires,

Nim Mercado, Rita Farris, Dorian, Linda Fox, Yoshiko Goto, Marion Cooney, Ric Pettit, Addie, Elijah, Pete Larsen, Bill Schuiling, Ivey Virgil, Fran Vassalotti, Kate, Cory, Jason, Sherry Cable, Christian Cancino, David Jones, Steve Goldman, Max Dale, David L., Bob and Chepi DiCalogero, Tom Allen, Christy Brown, Gabriel Neagle, Maryann Stinson, Elaine Sasser, Jason Hartman, Anna Jones, Evangeline, Ida Portland, Steve and Diane Gaiser, Joseph Nolan, Margaret McHugh, Kay Silver, Heather Bartee, Jenny Seguinot, Arline Easley, Sean, Lily, Pam and Doug Hawkins, Charlie Kemp, Lee McKenna, Anne Jackson, Helen Demesthas, David Chamberlain, Calvin Kraft, Nancy Biele, Maureen Murray, Linda, Barton Fox, Elizabeth Ames, Carol and Bill, Sharon Jones, Betty Laine, Rich Allen, Elva Crawford, Roy Jones, Elizabeth Helman, Monte Montgomery, Ann Johnston, Jana Allen, Christine Jouannet, Michael, Stacey Jolly, Toddy Fox, Catherine Mitchell, Emily Leanne Bucur, Scott Allen, Shannon Allen.

For the repose of the soul: William Peterson, Tolliver "Tolli" McGowan, Bill Beardsley, Robert "Pat" Carroll.

For our service men and women serving their country both at home and abroad, especially: Mark Jaskot, Ryan Brock, Brad Nye, William Edward, Gabriel Cassell, Scott Brock, Adam, Brendan Cantwell, Luke Scruby, Kyle Hamrock, Grace Hall Vlach, Mhairi Terra, Matt Allen, Michelle Miller, Kristine and Matt Hime, John Wildt, Christian Peter Grey, and Connor Miller.

Email [Redmond Self](#) to add a name or request a change to the parish prayer list.

Prayer requests will remain on the Prayer List for two Sundays, unless specifically requested as a long-term need.

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Our Parish Mission and Vision

The Church of the Good Shepherd is a Christ-centered Episcopal community sharing God's love. We strive to Strengthen Faith, Build Community, and Serve Others.



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