

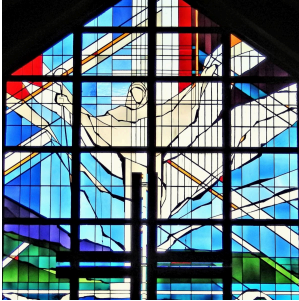


THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Shepherd's Staff

October 15, 2026

Celebrating Community and Serving Others!



Sunday Schedule for October 18, 2026

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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 (Atrium)

9:00am Youth Choir Rehearsal (Sheads Hall)

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

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

2:00pm Good Shepherd Goes to Greenspring Eucharist
(Greenspring Chapel)

3:30pm FACETS Hot Meals (Kitchen)

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)

Acolyte Festival 2026 SUCCESS!

Some 700 acolytes from 68 Episcopal churches in 15 U.S.-based dioceses and an Anglican congregation in Caruaru, Pernambuco, Brazil, attended this year's festival on Oct. 10. **Our church had 9 people representing us this year! They were even pictured and quoted in the Episcopal News Service newsletter! [Click here to read the article or watch the beautiful service!](#)**



Fall Grounds Clean-Up - ALL AGES!

TEENS, Get Your Service Hours!

Saturday, October 17, 9:00 a.m.- noon (Gardens, Grounds)

Let's get your hands dirty! We need help getting our garden beds in shape and cleaning up the grounds as we go into the fall and winter seasons. Come for however long you can, pitch in, and enjoy the fellowship. We will have gardening tools on site, but feel free to bring any tools you like to use for gardening, digging, raking, and

trimming. **Thank you in advance for your assistance – and we hope to see you for this important ministry!** Contact [Claire Palmer](#)



Requiem Eucharist for the Feast of All Souls

On Sunday, October 25, the Senior Choir will offer

Requiem (A Thanksgiving for Life) composed by Philip Ledger

This service of music and prayer is made possible through the generosity of parishioners who support the gift of sacred music in honor and memory of those they love. **Both 8:00am and 10:15am services will include the reading aloud of our necrology, the names of those we love but have lost in the past year.**

Submit names you would like read aloud to [Virginia Mroz](#) no later than Monday, Oct. 19. Contact [Alex Bean](#) with any questions.

SPOOKTACULAR DRIVE-IN & TRUNK-OR-TREAT

We're looking for volunteers to decorate their vehicles
and hand out candy to our little trick-or-treaters.

Sign up your trunk today!



ALL AGES EVENT! Wear your costumes! Sign up your trunk today!

Sunday, October 25, 5:00pm (Grove & Parking Lot)

We're excited to bring our families together for a fun-filled Trunk-or-Treat!

Decorate your trunk, bring plenty of candy, come ready to have fun and fellowship! If you'd like to participate, please sign up using the link below. **Your participation will help make this a fun and memorable event for our children and families!** We can't wait to see everyone's creative trunks! There will also be a movie playing in the grove. Bring your camp chairs and blankets to keep the chill off. **Send your sign-up to [Jennifer Caldwell](mailto:Jennifer.Caldwell@good-shepherd.net) to ensure your spot!**



Good Shepherd Goes to Greenspring

Sunday, October 18 - 2:00pm (Greenspring Village Chapel)

Join us as we return for our monthly Eucharist worship service at Greenspring Senior Living Community. We gather in the Chapel to praise God as we enjoy fellowship with our Greenspring neighbors. All are welcome!



34th Annual Burke Fairfax County CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, November 8, 2:00pm - 3.4 Mile Walk

Join us with your steps or your donations!

The Sunday School young people from the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd are participating in the 2026 CROP Hunger Walk. This is our 4th year supporting the walk, and we thank everyone at Good Shepherd who have supported us in the past. Please join us with your steps or your donations. Our goal is to help the people in our community who are in need and communities globally. We will be gathering people to walk and sponsors over the next three weeks. [Click here for more info, to walk and /or to donate online.](#) **Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Burke VA is our team name!** Call Sam Palmer (703) 638-9258 if you need assistance.



THANK YOU Good Shepherd for your generous donations to the Outreach

Fall Food Drive! We collected 554 pounds of food and \$200 for Food For Others in Merrifield. According to a recent memo from FACETS, hunger in our region just hit a five-year high, so our donations matter. Thank you again.

Pop, Jazz & Blues with the Vocal Arts Singers

Saturday, Oct. 17 at 7:00pm (Parish Hall)

Come to the music event of October! Soprano Danielle Talamantes and baritone Kerry Wilkerson, performing alongside the 120-member **Vocal Arts Singers** Vocal Arts Singers directed by Michael Ehrlich. Included in this soulful music experience are delicious desserts including cheesecake, tiramisu, and chocolate cake plus gluten-free and vegan options. There's a little something for everyone! [Click here to purchase tickets.](#)



Outreach News:

The Lamb Center Hope and a Future Fundraising Banquet

Thursday, October 22, 6:00-8:30pm, (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.



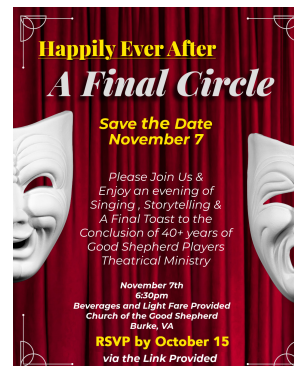
Help Celebrate 45 Years of Good Shepherd Players Ministry

Saturday, November 7, 6:30-9:30pm (Parish Hall)

The Good Shepherd Players board cordially invites members of the congregation that have steadfastly supported our musical theater productions over the last 45 years to attend our *"Final Curtain Call/Closing Circle"* farewell gala.

This final celebration of our 45-year ministry will include a musical program and sing-a-longs featuring past and present Good Shepherd Players, but most of all, time to reminisce!

There will also be plentiful hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and a dessert table. And yes, it's really free! We're ordering food based on advance registrations — so please [register now by clicking here.](#)



Parish Ministry Calendar

Thursday, October 15

12:30pm SOS Luncheon (Milano's, Springfield)
1:00pm Stronger Memory Program (Zoom)
5:30pm Youth Choir Rehearsal (Sheads Hall)
7:15pm Senior Choir Rehearsal (Sheads Hall)
8:00pm Compline (Zoom)

Friday, October 16

Office closed
9:00am AA (Parlor)
7:00pm AA "Happy Hour Group" (LL Room 6)

Saturday, October 17

7:30am Men's Fellowship (Zoom)
8:30am Flower Guild (Kitchen)
9:00am Altar Guild (Sanctuary)
9:00am Fall Grounds Clean-Up (Grove & Lawn)
12:00pm Daughters of the King (LL Room 6)

Sunday, October 18

See Sunday Schedule at top of email

Monday, October 19

Office closed
9:00am AA (Parlor)
2:00pm Knit & Purl (Parlor)
7:00pm Ring & Rejoice Handbells (Sheads Hall)

Tuesday, October 20

12:00pm Holy Eucharist Feasts of St. Luke the Evangelist & St. James of Jerusalem (observed) (Sanctuary)
1:00pm Flower Ministry (Kitchen)
7:30pm Finance Committee (LL Conference Room, Zoom)
8:00pm Compline (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 21

10:30am Staff Meeting (Parlor)
5:30pm Contemplative Eucharist for Feast of St. Joseph of Jerusalem (observed) (Sanctuary)
7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting (Parlor)

Prayers of the People

For the special concerns of: Tanner Snow, Darcy Meilus, Helen "Pebble" Curtain, Ron Blagg, the family of Howard Jackson, the Doherty family, Reichmuth family, Steve Goldman, Susan Norman, Bill Lackey, Lieke Skelton, Greg M.. Jim Dooley, John Barth, Angel Hunt, Judy and Ray Caddell, Landra, Diane



Stevens, Luke Margolis, Laura Hammer, Chen Hollifield, Richard Morris, Ricardo Cruz, Marlene Bekey, Mary Helman, 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 Ehlike, Margaret Donahoe, Norris and Charlene Sisson, David Stiles, Doug Smith, Craig Dubishar, Alli Houseworth, Ann Grey, John Wires, Nim Mercado, Yoshiko Goto, Marion Cooney, Ric Pettit, Pete Larsen, Bill Schuiling, Ivey Virgil, Fran Vassalotti, Kate, Cory, Jason, Sherry Cable, Christian Cancino, David Jones, Max Dale, David L., Bob and Chepi DiCalogero, Christy Brown, Gabriel Neagle, Elaine Sasser, Jason Hartman, Anna Jones, Evangeline, Ida Portland, Joseph Nolan, Margaret McHugh, Heather Barte, Jenny Seguinot, Arline Easley, Lily, Pam and Doug Hawkins, Anne Jackson, Helen Demesthas, David Chamberlain, Calvin Kraft, Nancy Biele, Maureen Murray, 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, Scot Allen, Shannon Allen.

For the repose of the soul: Sherry Lynn Butterworth, John DeVoll, Howard Jackson, Lee McKenna, Bill Schuiling.

For our service men and women serving their country both at home and abroad, especially: Mark Jaskot, Brad Nye, William Edward, Gabriel Cassell, Adam, Brendan Cantwell, Luke Scruby, Kyle Hamrock, Grace Hall Vlach, Mhairi Terra, Matt Allen, Michelle Miller, 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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and John Dohn (Junior Warden). wardens@good-shepherd.net.

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