

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

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Happy November Birthdays!!



20- Lynn Heil, 20- Skip Metcalf, 25- Ronald Wennerberg

Participating in Today's Service:

Russell Rheault, Maria Gurriere, Kathy Ossene (A/V Team), Mary Walker (Greeter), Russell Rheault (Eucharistic Minister), John McLaughlin (Crucifer), Barbara Hanc (Lector), VESTRY & VOLUNTEERS (Counters), Carol Uppgard, Coffee Hour Coordinator

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 19, 2023

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Oxford



Welcome to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church. We're glad you are here! All are invited to receive Communion at Christ's Table. The Worship service is projected on the screen. Our Book of Common Prayer (BCP) contains all prayers & services. Hymns are in the hymnal blue book (H).

Processional Hymn: #632 (H) *“O Christ, the Word Incarnate”, (v1-3)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS (see bottom of page)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Opening Prayers p355 (BCP)

The Gloria

Collect for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost p236 (BCP)

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons (Proper 28)

Old Testament Reading: [Zephaniah 1:7,12-18](#)

[Psalm 90:1-8, 12](#) p717 (BCP)

Epistle: [1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#)

Sequence Hymn: #628 (H) *“Help us Lord”, (v1)*

The Gospel: [Matthew 25:14-30](#)

Sequence Hymn: #628 (H) *(v2-3)*

Sermon: The Reverend Julia Dunbar

The Nicene Creed p358 (BCP)

Prayers of the People Form I p383 (BCP)

(In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for **The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)**. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for **All Saints, Worcester; Chaplain to Williams College; Vergers’ Guild; Integrity USA.**

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Confession of Sin p360 (BCP)

The Peace p360 (BCP)

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn: #530 (H) *“O Spread Thy Mighty Word”, (v1,2,4,5)*

Doxology: #380 (H) *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” (v3)*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A p361 (BCP)

The Sanctus

The Lord’s Prayer p364 (BCP) (SPOKEN)

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

ALL: Therefore let us keep the feast.

INVITATION TO ALL TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

Distribution of Communion

Communion Hymn: #490 (H) *“I Want to Walk”, (v1-3)*

Post Communion Prayer p365 (BCP)

Recessional Hymn: #437 (H) *“Tell Out my Soul”, (v1-3)*

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Choir practice immediately following the service. Please see Glynne if you are interested and enjoy singing!*
- *Fall Fair Festival was a success! Thanks to all who made it happen!*
- *Put your hymn suggestions in the yellow basket on the table in the back of the church.*
- *Please don’t forget stuffing for the Food Shelf Christmas Bags. We also need: tea, coffee, canned pasta and canned meat (no tuna). Thank you!*
- *Sunday, December 3rd-First Sunday of Advent.*
- *The Living Nativity will be Dec 9th & 10th, 4pm and 5:30pm at the Mesa Farm, 67 Muschopauge Rd., Rutland, MA. (508-886-6898)*
- *December 24th-10:30am-Fourth Sunday of Advent-Morning Prayer. 4:00pm-Christmas Eve Eucharist with Choir.*

