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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

# welcome!

We are a community of believers seeking and sharing life in Christ through ancient-future faith. We consider it a great privilege to worship the Lord with you today. In fact, your presence today is a gift from God. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you feel at home.

## CHILDCARE

Childcare is available for children age 2 and under in the nursery, located in the classroom on the right upon entering the lobby.

Children age 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be dismissed to Children's Chapel at the beginning of worship service and will return prior to Communion.

## WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

Please tell us more about yourself and how we can pray for you by filling out a Connect Card.

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## RESOURCES

Download the [2019 Book of Common Prayer](https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/) and the [Daily Office](https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/) from the ACNA website <https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/>.

Install the YouVersion Bible app from the App Store.  
We use the NRSV version during our Worship Service.



Install the Daily Office app from the App Store.



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**[goodshepherdanglican.org](https://goodshepherdanglican.org)**

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PRELUDE SONG OF PRAISE

**“The Lord's Prayer”**

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<b>VERSE 1</b> Our Father God in Heaven Hallowed be Thy Name Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done On Earth as it is in Heav'n!	<b>CHORUS</b> Give us this day our daily bread Forgive us all our sins As we forgive those trespasses Committed against us too
<b>VERSE 3</b> Lead us not into temptation's snare But from evil deliver us For Thine is the kingdom, glory, and pow'r Forever and e'er, AMEN	<b>REFRAIN</b> Forever And ever And ever AMEN

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns,

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him the glory!**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

**People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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**

PRAYER OVER CHILDREN AND DISMISSAL (3 YEAR-OLDS THROUGH 5TH GRADE)

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

**“Christ Will Be My Hideaway”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b>          I will dwell within the shelter          Of the God Who reigns above          I will rest beneath the shadow          Of the mighty King of love          Though a sickness hides in darkness          Though a plague destroys by day          I will stand upon His promises          Christ will be my hideaway</p>	<p><b>CHORUS</b>          In You my God I trust          You are strong and here with us          In You my hope remains          Christ will be my hideaway</p>
<p><b>VERSE 2</b>          Angels gather to protect me          When they hear my Savior call          Sovereign hands are ever ready          To uphold me should I fall          Safe beneath His wings of refuge          All my fears are kept at bay          I am shielded by His faithfulness          Christ will be my hideaway</p>	<p><b>VERSE 3</b>          Though a thousand fall around me          Though death looks me in the eye          Evil shall not have the vict'ry          While the Lord is at my side          God in power raised my Savior          I no longer fear the grave          Through this fragile life and evermore          Christ will be my hideaway</p>

**“Behold Our God”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b>          Who has held the oceans in His hands          Who has numbered every grain of sand          Kings and nations tremble at His voice          All creation rises to rejoice</p>	<p><b>CHORUS</b>          Behold our God seated on His throne          Come let us adore Him          Behold our King nothing can compare          Come let us adore Him</p>
<p><b>VERSE 2</b>          Who has given counsel to the Lord          Who can question any of His words          Who can teach the One who knows all things          Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds</p>	<p><b>VERSE 3</b>          Who has felt the nails upon His hand          Bearing all the guilt of sinful man          God eternal humbled to the grave          Jesus Savior risen now to reign</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE</b>          You will reign forever!          You will reign forever!          You will reign forever!          You will reign forever!</p>	

*Please be seated.*

PSALM

Liturgist: *A reading from Psalm 23.*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not want.**

<sup>2</sup> He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: \*

**he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> He restoreth my soul: \*

**he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

<sup>4</sup> Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: \*

**for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup> Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: \*

**thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: \*

**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

THE LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Acts 20:22-32.*

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

*Please stand and sing.*

### ***“Show Us Christ”***

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b> Prepare our hearts O God Help us to receive Break the hard and stony ground Help our unbelief Plant Your Word down deep in us 'Cause it to bear fruit Open up our ears to hear Lead us in Your truth</p>	<p><b>CHORUS</b> Show us Christ show us Christ O God reveal Your glory Through the preaching of Your Word Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord</p>
<p><b>VERSE 2</b> Your Word is living light Upon our darkened eyes Guards us through temptations Makes the simple wise Your Word is food for famished ones Freedom for the slave Riches for the needy soul Come speak to us today</p>	<p><b>BRIDGE</b> Where else can we go Lord Where else can we go You have the words of eternal life</p>

## THE GOSPEL READING

*The Gospel reading today is from Luke 15:1-7.*

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## SERMON

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us begin our prayers in silence before the Lord, reflecting on what we've heard.

*Silence.*

Leader: I invite you to add your prayers silently or aloud after each petition. Let us pray to the Lord for all those suffering from war; injustice, and oppression; for the weak, vulnerable, and scared; and for all living in darkness, enslaved by the lusts of this world and by the evil powers of the devil.

*(Let us pause in Prayer)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: Lord, hear our prayers.**

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the leaders of nations; for those in authority, and for all in public service; we remember in particular the leaders of our community, state, and nation; and we pray for those who risk their lives for our peace and safe-keeping: Our military, police, fire-workers; medical and first response teams.

*(Let us pause in Prayer)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: Lord, hear our prayers.**

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the church; for all who call on Your name; for pastors, leaders, missionaries, and their families; for those persecuted for their faith in Jesus; for those who have drifted away and fallen prey to apathy and compromise; and let us pray for our church family at Good Shepherd; for our bishops, vestry, staff, and leaders. Let us pray for the Lord's protection and blessing to remain upon us all.

*(Let us pause in Prayer)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: Lord, hear our prayers.**

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the burdens each of us carry on our hearts. We pray for those we love; for those who are battling sickness; for those hurting, suffering, and wounded in soul; and for those who are lost and don't know You as their Lord and Savior.

*(Let us pause in Prayer)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: Lord, hear our prayers.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us now come before the Lord and make confession of our sins, lifting our hearts to Him in humility and repentance.

**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.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Celebrant: "For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Revelation 7:17*

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (2019 BCP Renewed Ancient Text).

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. 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:

## THE SANCTUS

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VERSE 1	CHORUS
Holy holy holy Lord God of pow'r and might Heaven and earth are filled With Your glory	Hosanna hosanna in the highest Hosanna hosanna in the highest

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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. **Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE FRACTION

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

#### THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

*We invite you to take advantage of several opportunities:*

All baptized Christians of any age are welcomed and encouraged to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; grape juice is available from our acolyte. Please dispose of your empty cup in the bowl on the offering table as you return to your seat.

*Please be seated while awaiting your turn to come to the table of the Lord.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

### ***“Softly And Tenderly”***

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<b>VERSE 1</b> Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for me; See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.	<b>CHORUS</b> Come home, come home; Ye who are weary come home. Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, O sinner, come home!
<b>VERSE 2</b> Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading Pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, Mercies for you and for me?	<b>VERSE 3</b> O for the wonderful love he has promised, Promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me.

### ***“The Lord's Prayer”***

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<b>VERSE 3</b> Lead us not into temptation's snare But from evil deliver us For Thine is the kingdom, glory, and pow'r Forever and e'er, AMEN	<b>REFRAIN</b> Forever And ever And ever AMEN

## THE DOXOLOGY

*Please stand and sing.*

### ***“Doxology”***

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<b>INTRO</b> Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen
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#### THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Celebrant: All our problems,

**People: We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant: All our difficulties,

**People: We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant: All the devil's works,

**People: We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant: All our hopes,

**People: We set on the risen Christ.**

THE HYMN IN RECESSION

**“Never See The End”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b>          Where can we run, where can we hide          That You will not find us, God?          Deepest of depths, highest of heights          Your love, it chases us          No matter where we've been, no matter what we've done          We can't escape Your love, ooh-ooh</p>	<p><b>CHORUS</b>          We will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness          We will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness</p>
<p><b>VERSE 2</b>          Though we pass through the fire or we pass through the flood          You will be with us, God          Though we walk through the valley, the darkest of night          Your love will be our light          And when we are in plenty or we are in want          You will always be enough</p>	<p><b>BRIDGE</b>          And in our darkest hours, on our hardest days          We do not have to be afraid          For You will never leave, You will not forsake          The promises You have made          In our darkest hours, on our hardest days          We do not have to be afraid          For You will never leave, no, You will not forsake          The promises You have made          In our darkest hours, on our hardest days          We do not have to be afraid          For You will never leave, You will not forsake          The promises You have made          And we can say that</p>
<p><b>ENDING</b>          We will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness          We will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness          Oh, we will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness          Oh, we will never see the end          We will never see the end of Your goodness</p>	

SENDING FORTH

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit!

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## MISSION TEAMS

**ANGEL WINGS:** Prepares meals to those who are going through trying times such as an illness, a move, new baby, etc. Leader: Brianna Copeland (blcopeland5@gmail.com)

**COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER OF LAKE NORMAN:** Seeks to serve Jesus Christ through ministering to those touched by possible crisis pregnancy. Team leader: Andi Wheeler (andiseth@bellsouth.net)

**DAVIDSON COLLEGE:** Walks alongside Davidson College students through a variety of means, including outreach, Bible Studies, social gatherings, and pairing students with an "Adoptive" Good Shepherd Family. *Actively seeking new leader.*

**FLOURISH KENYA:** Flourish Kenya is ending the teen pregnancy epidemic in rural Kenya in this generation by improving sexual and reproductive health literacy, providing secondary school sponsorships, and protecting teens in crisis because every youth deserves to flourish. Leader: Tia McNelly (tiamcnelly@gmail.com)

**GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS:** Forms long-standing partnerships with foreign missionaries and churches in other countries to pray for, support, and join in via short-term trips, God's global Kingdom Work and heart for the lost. Leader: Lori Nielsen (patandlori@gmail.com)

**LAND OF A THOUSAND HILLS:** Help farmers in Rwanda, Thailand, and Haiti make a living wage by buying coffee. Order at <https://landofathousandhills.com/collections/coffee>. Leader: Randy Barnes (rdbarnes4@gmail.com)

**REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS, AND THE DISPLACED (RID):** Helps rid the barriers facing refugees, immigrants, and the displaced. *Actively seeking new leader.*

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## MINISTRY TEAMS

Our desire is to see everyone at Good Shepherd participate in one of our Sunday morning ministry teams. Please contact the respective leader to learn how you can serve in this important capacity.

**ACOLYTES:** Bears the processional cross, assisting at the Communion table, and serving juice to the congregation. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**ALTAR:** Cares for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**AUDIO:** Facilitates worship by providing audio support. Leader: Seth Wheeler (seth@residentialstructurespc.com)

**CHILDREN'S CHAPEL:** Provides the foundational knowledge of scripture for preschool and elementary age attendees. Leader: Jen Ford (jennifer@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**COUNTING:** Handles the collection and offerings of the Church in accordance with sound accounting practices. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**FLOWER GUILD:** Provides fresh flowers to adorn the altar each week. Coordinates the memorial giving of flowers in honor of special occasions and loved ones. Leader: Mandie Odom (mandie@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**GREETERS:** Welcomes everyone as they arrive for worship service. Leader: Leader: Ray Fulton (ray.fulton@gmail.com)

**HOSPITALITY:** Offers refreshments prior to worship service. Leader: Andi Wheeler (andiseth@bellsouth.net)

**INTERCESSORY TEAM:** Offers prayer ministry during and after worship service to anyone who requests prayer. *Actively seeking new leader.*

**LITURGIST:** Facilitates worship by reading scripture, leading prayers, and serving wine. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**MUSIC:** Leads the congregation in praise and worship through song. Leader: Seth Honea (seth@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**NURSERY:** Cares for children age 2 and under during worship service. Leader: Jen Ford (jennifer@goodshepherdanglican.org)

**USHERS:** Welcomes and assists those who come to worship, and provides a smooth operation within the service. Leader: Ray Fulton (ray.fulton@gmail.com)

**VIDEO:** Facilitates worship by providing video support for online participants. Leader: Patrick Nielsen (patrick.a.nielsen@gmail.com)

**LIFE GROUPS**

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**MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRIES:**

Check out the Good Shepherd website for the latest Men's and Women's ministry events.

**CHURCH OVERSIGHT**

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Rt. Rev. Terrell Glenn      NC Area Bishop

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Gina Roes                          Deacon, Pastoral Care  
Jen Snow                            Deacon, Pastoral Care

**STAFF**

Mandie Odom      Director of Operations  
Seth Honea        Director of Music  
Jen Ford           Children's Ministry Director  
MJ Moran          Admin Assistant, Vestry Clerk

**VESTRY**

Matt Creswell      Senior Warden  
Tia McNelly        Junior Warden  
Charlton Allen  
Randy Barnes  
Nathanael Erk  
Anne Stych

**FINANCIAL UPDATE DECEMBER 2023:** To inform your giving and your prayers, the vestry invites you to make note of the following financial update. "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

OPERATING BUDGET	INCOME		EXPENSES	
	DECEMBER	YTD	DECEMBER	YTD
Plan	\$68,190	\$293,750	\$51,216	\$307,298
Actual	\$56,289	\$266,805	\$45,236	\$265,875
Variance	-\$11,361	-\$26,946	\$5,981	\$41,423
Michael Reynolds Treasurer				