The Ministers of Shrewsbury Parish Church

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The Reverend Stephan Klingelhofer, Priest Associate
The Reverend Marguerite Samuels, Deacon
The Right Reverend James J. Shand, Visiting Bishop

The Vestry:
Mrs. Jane Cropper 27, Mrs. Kelly Schelts 27, Mr. James Steveson 27,
Mrs. Katie Hughes 28, Mr. Bob & Mrs. June O'Connell 28,
Mrs. Kathy Bacastow 29,
Mrs. Debra Geng 29 and Ms. Kimberly Fox 29

Shrewsbury PARISH

March 15, 2026

Welcome

Welcome to Shrewsbury Parish Episcopal Church! We are honored by your presence today for worship and invite you and your family into the life and ministry of this historic and active parish.

Here are a few items that will assist you with navigating our service:

•Please receive a service bulletin from an usher. You may take it home or return it following the service to the basket in the narthex.
•At both services, please follow along in *The Book of Common Prayer*, which can be found in the pew rack in front of you.
•At the 10:00 am Rite II service hymns can be found in *The Hymnal 1982* and at times in separate handouts.
•Please join in singing at the 10:00 am service.
•Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall.
If you need anything or have a question, please ask an usher or another parishioner. We are here to help you feel comfortable.

Holy Communion

ALL persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church.
There are no exceptions. YOU are welcome to God's table.

Please come to the altar rail and either stand or kneel for the reception of communion. The priest will place the bread in your hand and the chalice will be offered by the Lay Eucharistic Minister. You may take a sip or intinct, that is dip the bread into the chalice before consuming it. If you have mobility issues, please notify the usher and the priest will be happy to bring communion to you in your pew.
~Following the service, please join us in the Parish Hall for a time of hospitality. Coffee, tea, water and snacks are available.

Pastoral Care and Prayer Requests

Should you wish to speak with a priest or have a pastoral emergency, please contact the Rector, Fr. Henry Sabetti at 301-418-0908.
Please direct any prayer requests to the Rector or to place a name on the Parish Prayer List contact the Parish Administrator at 410-348-5944 or shrewsburychurch@gmail.com
The Service is being *Livestreamed* each Sunday at 10:00 am on our Facebook Page.

Praise God from whom ALL blessings flow!

Shrewsbury Parish Prayer List - March 2026

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:
The Anglican Church of Kenya

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:
We pray for all Bishops as they gather for the House of Bishop's meeting this week at Camp Allen in Texas

Parish Cycle of Prayer:
Don & Lynea Redman, Karen Trout & Chuck Reed and Sarah & Robert Reynolds

Parish Ministry Cycle of Prayer:
In Thanksgiving for the ministry of Frank Welch our Landscaper

Prayers For:
Vaccus Afentoulis, Mark Barto, The Beasley Family, The Rev. Warren Beaven, The Rev. Nora Becker, Karen Boulden, Jan Brandon, Gail Carter, Melissa Casadonti, Patrica Craven, Steve Cropper, Lee Davis, The Rev. Clarie Nevin-Field, Linda Fonseca, Linda Hall, Sandy Hamilton, Charlie Hawkins, Eileen Hoban, William Irish, Ray Jovanovich, Susan Karbaum, Vernon Miller, David Murphy, Bob O'Connell, Carmen Parks, Laurie Pearn, Amie Price, Pamela Ann Quarstein, Patrick Randolph, Joe Riding, Don Redman, Barbara Rein, Denise Roberts, Peggy Samuels, Kiera Seyd, Raina Seyd, Holden Slaight, Benjamin Smoot, Faith Spear,Kate Terry, Kathy Terry, Michelle and Trey Timmons, Anne Van Horn, Kirk Wade, Lori Watson, Chris Wallman, Dan Walsh, David Welch, Abiah, Eleni, Joshua, John, Judge and Marianne

Those serving in the Armed Forces:
Jonathan Campbell, Jonathan Conner, Jeff Gross, Jr., Tracy Lee Fauteux II, Collin Jones, George Jones and Jack Mecca

For the Faithful Departed
Tom Coler

Announcements

Parish Hall Furniture

The Vestry has identified the need to replace some of the well worn furniture in the Parish Hall. They are seeking financial donations to offset the cost. If you wish to make a gift please place it in an envelope marked "Furniture" and/or make checks payable to Shrewsbury Parish and write "Furniture" in the memo line. Many thanks in advance for this act of thoughtful stewardship for Shrewsbury.

Easter Lily Order Form

QUANTITY:

IN HONOR OF:

IN MEMORY OF:

GIVEN BY:

THE COST IS $12.00 PER LILY AND CHECKS CAN BE MADE OUT TO SHREWSBURY PARISH OR PAID ONLINE WITH THE QR CODE AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE. JUST BE SURE TO NOTE LILY IN THE MEMO. PLEASE ORDER BY MARCH 22ND.

Good Morning

Shrewsbury Parish
March 15, 2026
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

The flowers on the Altar are given by Pamela Ann Quarstein in memory of her mother, Mary Kronau Quarstein 1931-2001

Serving This Sunday:
March 15, 2026
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Altar Guild:
Team 1
Ushers:
Jenny Randolph, Robert Bryan
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
LEM:
James Stevenson
Acolyte:
James Stevenson
8:45 a.m. Adult Spiritual Formation
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
LEM/OT Reader:
Kelly Schelts
Acolyte:
Adeline Pechin

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Serving Next Sunday:
March 22, 2026
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
Altar Guild:
Team 2
Ushers:
Barbara Lloyd, Kirk Wade
7:30 a.m. Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
Officiant:
The Rev. Marguerite Samuels
LEM:
William Irish
Acolyte:
James Stevenson
8:45 a.m. Coffee & Conversation in the Parish Hall
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
Guest Celebrant:
The Rev. Nathaniel Pierce
LEM/OT Reader:
Pam Quarstein
Acolyte:
Adeline Pechin

*Fr. Henry will be away for the weekend.

March 15, 2026
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

Silence is observed prior to worship

The Word of God	
Opening Acclamation for Lent	BCP 323
The Collect for Purity	BCP 323
The Summary of the Law	BCP 324
The Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy)	BCP 324
The Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent	BCP 167
The Lessons (sitting)	
The First Lesson	1 Samuel 16:1-13
The Psalter	Psalm 23
The Epistle	Ephesians 5:8-14
The Gospel	John 9:1-41
The Sermon	The Very Reverend Henry Sabetti
The Nicene Creed	BCP 326
The Prayers of the People	BCP 329
The Confession of Sin and the Absolution	BCP 331
The Passing of the Peace	BCP 332
Greetings, Announcements and Blessings	
The Holy Communion (*All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ)*	
The Offertory	
Eucharistic Prayer I	BCP 333
Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)	BCP 334
The Prayer of Consecration	BCP 334
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 337
The Lamb of God	BCP 337
The Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 337
The Post Communion Prayer	BCP 339
The Blessing	BCP 339
The Dismissal	BCP 339

The Gospel

John 9:1-41 (Continued)

Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

The Gospel

John 9:1-41

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes.

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March 15, 2026
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Processional	“Forty Days and Forty Nights.” Hymn 150
Opening Acclamation	BCP 355
The Collect for Purity	BCP 355
The Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)	BCP 356
The Collect of the Day	BCP 219
The First Lesson	1 Samuel 16:1-13
The Psalm	Psalm 23
The Epistle	Ephesians 5:8-14
Gradual	“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light.” Hymn 490
The Gospel	John 9:1-41
The Sermon	The Very Reverend Henry Sabetti
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form IV	BCP 388
Confession of Sin and Absolution	BCP 360
The Peace	BCP 360
Announcements & Blessings	
The Offertory Hymn	“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Hymn 493
Doxology	
The Holy Communion *(All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ)*	BCP 361
Sanctus (Spoken)	BCP 362
Communion Hymn *(Sung after distribution of communion)*	“Let thy Blood in Mercy Poured” Hymn 313
Post Communion Prayer & Blessing	BCP 366
The Recessional Hymn	“The King of Love” Hymn 645
The Dismissal	BCP 366

The Collect

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Psalm

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your 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 Epistle

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."