



POHICK EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The 1774 home church of George Washington and George Mason.
In Christ: Embracing our history, welcoming in the present, transforming for the future.

September 07, 2025
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

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Hymns may be found in The Hymnal 1982, or Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)

Please practice a reverent silence before and during the Prelude

PRELUDE *Voluntary in g-minor – Maurice Greene, 1696-1755*

PROCESSIONAL *When morning guilds the skies – Laudes Domini* Hymn #427

OPENING ACCLAMATION **Book of Common Prayer** **p. 355**

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

COLLECT FOR PURITY **p. 355**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *(sung by all)* *Glory to God – Robert Powell* **S-280**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us Pray.

COLLECT **Proper 18 p. 233**

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT **Jeremiah 18:1-11**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind

about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

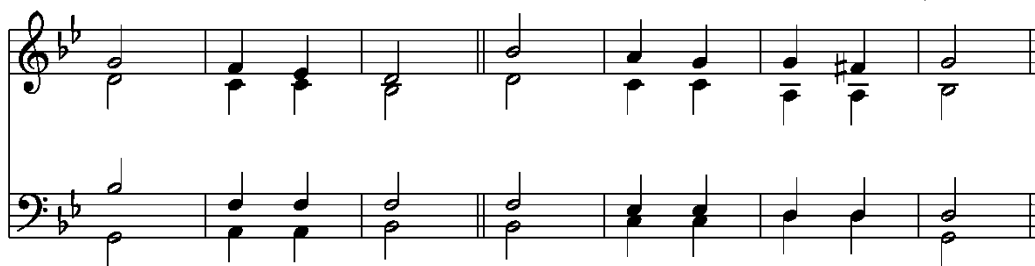
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

THE PSALTER (*All may sing*)

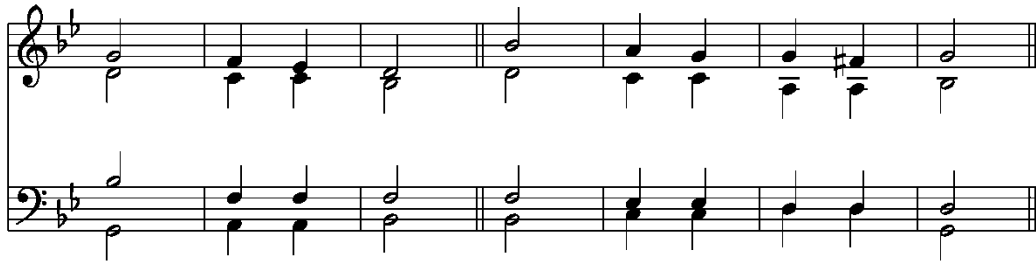
Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17, pg. 794-795

William Croft
(1678-1727)



Domine, probasti

- 1 Lord, you have searched me | out and | known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my | thoughts | from a | far.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my | resting | places *
and are acquainted | with | all my | ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word | on my | lips, *
but you, O Lord, | know it | alto | gether.
- 4 You press upon me behind | and be | fore *
and | lay your | hand up | on me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too | wonderful for | me; *
it is so high that I can | not at | tain to | it.
- 12 For you yourself created my | inmost | parts; *
you knit me together | in my | mother's | womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am | marvelous-ly | made; *
your works are wonderful, | and I | know it | well.
- 14 My body was not | hidden from | you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the | depths | of the | earth.



15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written | in your | book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet | there was | none of | them.

16 How deep I find your | thoughts, O | God! *
how great | is the | sum of | them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number | than the | sand; *
to count them all, my life span would | need to | be like | yours.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow
soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for
all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may
become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed
received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have
been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I
would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now
also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I
have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed
useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted
to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my
imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that
your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he
was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a
slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you,
both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN *Take my life, and let it be – Hollingside* **Hymn # 707**

THE GOSPEL LESSON **Luke 14:25-33**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON **The Reverend Daniel Cenci**

Moment of Silence

THE NICENE CREED

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Reader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Reader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Reader We pray for especially Stephen, Primate of England; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops; and Daniel and Ted, our ministers; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Reader We pray for Donald, our president, Glenn, our governor, and Jeffrey, our county chairman, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Reader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Reader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially those listed on our prayer list;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Reader Give to the departed eternal rest, especially John Ahrens;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Reader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Reader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

Reader We give thanks for all those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Janet, Hiram, Julia, Matt, Seyi, Sarah, Andrew, Lee, Robert, and Suzanne.

Reader We pray for our members who serve our country and their families, particularly those overseas; especially Ryan, Gabby, and Summer.

Reader In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for St. Francis', Manakin Sabot; and St. James', Leesburg.

Reader We pray for the victims of violence and of natural disasters worldwide. We pray for a Peaceful resolution of all global conflicts and we ask your protection for all innocent people.

Reader We pray for all Christians who face persecution for their faith.

Silence, as the People may add their own petitions.

CONFESSION p. 360

THE PEACE p. 360

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Lord, I trust Thee – George Frideric Handel, 1685-1759*

Lord, I trust Thee, I adore Thee.

Ah! Thou friend of man, restore me!

On Thy loving grace relying,

For the bread of life I'm sighing.

Quench my thirst and let my hunger cease,

Fill my heart with joy and peace,

When the breath of life has left me,

May my soul be blended with Thee.

Words: Barthold Brockes, 1680-1747, tr. Denys Barlow

THE DOXOLOGY (*Sung by all*) -Old 100th

HYMN #380, stanza 3

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A* p. 361

SANCTUS (*sung by all*) *Holy, holy, holy Lord – Franz Schubert* S-130

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION p. 362-363

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD p. 364

THE INVITATION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion (see page 11). Please follow the direction of the ushers to Communion Stations.

THE MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE COMMUNION *Jesus Christ, my sure defence - Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750*

THE COMMUNION HYMN 1 *Let thy blood in mercy poured – Jesus, meine Zuversicht* HYMN #313

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING p. 365

THE BLESSING

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN *In the cross of Christ, I glory – Rathbun* HYMN #441

THE DISMISSAL p. 366

THE POSTLUDE *Fugue in c-minor, BWV 725 – J. S. Bach*

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SERVING TODAY

Celebrant and Preacher	The Reverend Daniel Cenci
Minister of Music	Ronald Butts Boehmer
Assistant Music Minister	Barb Lynn
Musicians	Pohick Choir, Pohick Children & Youth Choir
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Elston
Shepherd	Jennifer Strawderman
Acolytes	Daniel Sweetser, Elise Arnold, Ari Greathouse, Alek Greathouse
Duty Driver	Rhett Strawderman
Ushers	Rick Nelson and Kathy Kirkland
Altar Guild	Berger/Cooke Team
Docent	Fred Crawford
Greeters	Carolyn Cockroft and Chris Brown
Digital Ministry	Marc Abrams, Chris Brown, Walker Hofmann, Sage Hofmann, Doug Smith, and Fiona Hofmann



PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND THANKSGIVINGS

- **For the special needs and concerns of this congregation**, especially for Craig Floyd, Wren Norwood, Andrea Godwin-Stremmer, Cathie McCall, Alisa Romero, Steve Alfieris, Jennifer Sassin, Becky Wagner, Caleb Caesar, Tanya Reams, Joe Coleman, Andy, Kelly, Roy Baumann, Nissa D'Andrea, Carol Schiering, Ray Rios, Horace Hambrick, Mickie Krause, Anne Derbes, Bill Hosp, D'Andrea Wooten, Brett Ward, Juan Bernal, Troy Roberson, Ann Carter, Anna Cottrill, Lydia Cepeda, Flor Vito, Terry Abrams, Steve & Mari Harding, Tom Mayberry, Jim Murphy, Barb Rader, Margo Singleton, Mary Reilly, David Urbanski, Boatner Howell, Anne Arnhart, and Susanne Roberts.
- We pray for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Janet Ayorinde, Hiram Diaz, Julia Howard, Matt Johnson, Seyi Ayorinde, Sarah Saucerman, Andrew Choi, Lee Dalpino, Robert Hicks, and Suzanne Arendas.
- We pray for the soul of John Ahrens, who died Aug. 29. He was the husband to Cheryl and father to Ruth.
- We pray for our members who serve our country, particularly those overseas, and their families: Ryan Moatta, Gabby Rolland, and Summer Lancet.
- We pray for the victims of violence and of natural disasters worldwide. We pray for a Peaceful resolution of all global conflicts, and we ask your protection for all innocent people.
- We pray for all Christians who face persecution for their faith.
- In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for St. Francis', Manakin Sabot; and St. James', Leesburg.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are in thanksgiving for the birthdays of Femi (belated), Janet, and our son, Seyi, we honor and glorify Almighty God's everlasting blessings, long life, good health, joy, happiness, and peace in Christ Jesus.

--The Ayorinde Family

Altar Flowers are in Celebration of the life of John Ahrens, who died August 29.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors and hope you'll introduce yourselves, receive a gift, and please leave us your contact information!
- **PLEASE JOIN US TODAY AT THE MINISTRY FAIR AFTER BOTH SERVICES!**
- **TODAY**, after the 10:30 Service, we are hosting **Popsicles N Popcorn** to kick off our programs for children and youth. This fun event gives each family a chance to meet the teachers and advisors and register for the programs we are offering this school year. <https://form.jotform.com/252346827650158> for Children/Youth Church School, Choir, EYC and Grace Space Toddlers.
- **Music Ministry:** New members are welcome from all ages and you are invited to contact Ronald Butts Boehmer, Minister of Music at: music@pohick.org and register.
- "Do you renounce Satan...?" A biblical and historic look at the spiritual forces of evil. From Genesis to Revelation, there are numerous references to the forces of evil that are at work in the world. **Join Reverend Cenci NEXT Sunday morning Sept 14, at 9:15 in the Parish House annex for a six-week study on Satan and the various manifestations of evil that are described in the scriptures.** We will study how these themes are presented both in the Bible and in history, paying close attention to the ways in which the church has interpreted these texts throughout the ages. We will also discuss how evil continues to play a role in the world today, and how Christians are called to combat these spiritual forces as part of our baptismal covenant.
- **Sept 14: EYC Kicks off with CPR Training, 6 pm-7:30 pm!** Contact Rev. Ted at trenaud@pohick.org or the office 703 339-6572.
- **THE GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP REOPENS THIS MONTH!** Hours: 8:45-10:30AM on Sundays, First Saturdays-1-3PM during docent tours, and during special events. **Visit the Golden Dove Gift Shop table** for more information at the Sept 7th ministry fair; we will happily train you and welcome you to our team! **AT THE POHICK FAIR, Oct 4th- Golden Dove Gift Shop will be open from 9AM-4PM.** Come shop on your way to or from the parking lot to the fairgrounds! Purchase autumn decor, personalized Pohick backpacks, ornaments, tea towels & more, new lovely decorative olive wood items-made in Bethlehem! Get a head start on your Christmas shopping!
- **MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Apple Butter weekend is September 19 – 21.** Sign-up sheets will be available in the Parish Hall. Contact John Pasour (john.pasour@gmail.com) for more information.
- **MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Country Fair October 4.** We are looking for Fair Volunteers. If you're able to help, please email Chairman Rick Church at rickandkristi@comcast.net or 719-502-5697.
- **It is time to register for Education for Ministry (EfM)!** Beginning this fall, EfM offers one-year and revised four-year options, with both curricula offered through the University of the

South. The program is an excellent way to enrich your spiritual life through study of the Old and New Testaments, church history, and modern theology, all conducted in a reflective style within a small community of learners. Ask a past Pohick graduate (there are many!) about how EfM has helped them on their spiritual path. **Registration must be completed by September 9 for the class beginning on September 15.** For more info or to register, contact Denise McHugh at 410-300-9867 or dmchugh@umd.edu, or John Egan 703-973-5038 or jjegan3@netscape.net. Information flyers are available in the Parish House.

- **Volunteers needed Tuesday afternoons:** A group of Pohick apple butter lovers are volunteering to staff a table at the Tackett's Mill Tuesday afternoon farmer's market. Our table will be set up with information about not just apple butter but also Pohick Church and our many activities. Please contact Kathy Kirkland at 703-861-6177 or kkirkland2632@gmail.com to volunteer Tue Sept 9 anytime between 2:30-6:30 pm.
- **The Ann Mason Guild** is collecting used jewelry for its annual jewelry sale. If you have donations, please leave in the church office marked for "Ann Mason Guild". We thank you.
- **Our regular Sunday Services** are at 8 am (Rite I Eucharist) and 10:30 am (Rite II Eucharist). Christian Education for all ages begins at 9:15 am. Additional church announcements are sent via email on Fridays, posted on pohick.org, and printed versions are available at the Parish House.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING COMMUNION

In the Episcopal tradition, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion at the Lord's Table; simply come to the altar rail and kneel to receive if you are able, or you may stand. If you are unable to come to the rail, please indicate to an usher that you would like communion brought to you.

The options for receiving communion are:

- *You may hold out both hands to receive bread and drink from the cup;*
- *Or you may pinch two fingers over one hand and the Celebrant will intinct (dip) the edge of the bread in the Common Cup for you, then drop the bread gently into your outstretched hands.*
- *To reduce germ exposure in the chalice medical authorities have suggested, and the Diocese recommends, only the Chalice Bearer intinct the bread in the Common Cup.*
- *If you prefer to receive only bread, simply cross one arm across your chest as you hold out your hand for bread.*
- *You may cross your arms over your chest and simply receive a blessing.*

Vestry of Pohick Church

<u>Member</u>	<u>Elected Position and Commissions</u>
Neil Hogg	Senior Warden
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Andrea Gurrola	Treasurer
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Rick Church	
Kathy Kirkland	Pastoral Care / Worship / Education
Jeff Schavland	Resources / Stewardship / Policy
Barbara Schavland	(youth rep 25/26)
Hal Yarwood	

Staff of Pohick Church

Priest-In-Charge:	The Reverend Daniel Cenci
Assistant to the Rector/ Youth Minister:	The Reverend Ted Renaud
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QR Code is set up for one-time giving for visitors or guests.

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