



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.

October 19, 2025
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

The people standing; the Celebrant may say

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

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

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Almighty and everlasting God, who in Christ hast revealed thy glory among the nations: Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT

Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt— a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Quomodo dilexi!

97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.

98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.

100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.

101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.

102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

THE EPISTLE LESSON**2 Timothy 3:14-4:5**

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths.

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 18:1-8

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Daniel Cenci

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A very warm Pohick Welcome to the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, who are visiting Pohick Church today!



SERVING TODAY

Celebrant and Preacher	The Reverend Daniel Cenci
Assistant Rector	The Reverend Ted Renaud
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Will Frauenfelder and Buck Gastrell
Acolyte	Charles Keeney
Ushers	Ken Evans and Sandra Caesar
Greeters	Anne and Tony Marsico



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, Nissa D'Andrea, Carol Schiering, Ray Rios, 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, Susanne Roberts, Fred and Donna Crawford, Pat DeYoung, Barry Brown, Lara Gore, Larry Mobley, Alexander Clumpkens, Everett Wanko, Maggie Calio, Jack Oates, Anne Sayer, Jan Hover, Cheryl Maddock, Christina Cole, and Rob Grant.
- We pray for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Dick Krueger, Megan Gorman, Lawrence Nelson, Helen Smallfield, Trevor Daw, Cammie Liddle, Alexia Gordon, Bradford McCullough.
- We pray for the soul of Phil Altman, who died October 12. He was the husband of Beth Altman.
- 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. Clement's, Alexandria, St. Paul's, Ingham AND St. George's, Pine Grove, Shenandoah; St. Stephen's, Culpeper.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the 20th anniversary of Mari and Steve Harding.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors and hope you'll introduce yourselves, receive a gift, and leave us your contact information!
- **TRANSFORMING QUESTIONS: Beginning TODAY at 9:15 am, Rev. Ted will be facilitating a 3-week (Oct 19, 26, Nov 2) adult formation series** exploring doubt, prayer, and pain/grief. Many Christians operate under the false assumption that doubt is the opposite of faith. Join us in a safe atmosphere of exploring why doubt, prayer, and pain/grief all are essential parts of becoming more faithful and being transformed by the One whom we encounter in the midst of our doubts and questions.
- **Please join Rev. Daniel for Pohick's Annual Stewardship presentation/meeting in the Common room: TODAY after the 10:30 am service.**
- **EYC: Bake Sale, TODAY. Please bring a baked good for sale after the 8:00 and 10:30 services.** Contact Rev. Ted at trenaud@pohick.org or the office 703 339-6572.
- Pohick Church will hold a **food drive TODAY in support of LCAC**. We will try to pack Reverend Daniel's pickup truck with canned goods (no jars), toiletries, baby supplies (wipes & diapers are always needed).
- **Blessing of the Animals, TODAY at 4 pm, Dogwood Chapel, Bring your pets on leashes and folding chairs.**
- **Church School and Children's Chapel, and Grace Space.** Please contact Susan Pehrsson, Director of Education, for questions or registration information, at spehrsson@pohick.org, or the Parish Office, 703 339-6572.
- **Ministry of Music: RSCM Voice for Life Digital** – We introduce the Voice for Life Digital – FAQs | RSCM, an online version of the RSCM's music training program available for all ages in the Pohick Ministry of Music. Currently, Pohick Youth Choir members have been awarded Light Blue, Dark Blue and Red ribbons and medals from RSCM-America. Contact the Minister of Music at music@pohick.org for participation. Pohick Church is a member of the Royal School of Church Music.
- **GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP HOURS THIS MONTH-Oct 19th-8:45-10:30AM-Oct 26th-10:30-11:30AM**
- **GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP:** Shop for fall decor, jewelry and purses, new olive wood items from Bethlehem, personalized Pohick mugs, ornaments, towels & candles, and get a head start on your Christmas shopping! Our newest gifts are small colorful felt coin purses handmade by Nepalese women; proceeds go toward helping support them. A special THANK YOU for your support during the Pohick Fair, and for shopping during new hours. All proceeds go toward helping those in need!

- **OCT 23: Prayer Service at Harmony at Spring Hill, 1:30 pm**
- **OCT 24: Friday Family Fellowship, 6:00 pm**
- **OCT 25: The Funeral for Christian Boateng: 2:00 pm, at Pohick Church.**
- **OCT 31: All Hallow's Eve Service, 5:00 pm, Pohick Cemetery**
- **NOV 6-8: the 231st Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, Fredericksburg Expo and Conference Center.**
- **NOV 09: LCAC: warm coat drive.** Please bring either a new or slightly worn coat and leave it in the front corner of the common room under the LCAC sign.
- **NOV 09: NEW FAMILY EVENT: Stay tuned for details: *Placing of Flags on Veterans' Gravesites, after the 10:30am service, Pohick Cemetery***
- **NOV 11: Veteran's Day, Parish Office closed.**
- **NOV 11: Vestry meeting, 7 pm, Vestry house.**
- **NOV 19: Wednesday Holy Eucharist at the Fairfax, 1:30 pm.**
- **NOV 26: Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7 pm**
- **Education for Ministry (EfM) Classes are Mondays at 7pm in the Vestry House.** 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. 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.
- **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.
- **A special thank you to the Brotherhood** for providing Pohick Church with *Forward Day by Day* quarterly issues. The latest issue, which includes daily reflections that follow the Bible verses, is available in the Parish House.
- **Coffee N Compline** on-line Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Fellowship, reflection and worship. Call the Parish Office at 703 339-6572 to be sent the Microsoft Teams link.
- **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 /news/weekly-announcements, and printed versions are available at the Parish House. **Fall Parish Office hours:** Mon-Thu 9am-3pm, Fridays 9am-noon.



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;*
- *To receive by intinction, please leave the bread in your open palm and the Chalice bearer will dip the bread in the chalice for you and place it back in your hand.*
- *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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Beth Cooke	Service & Fellowship / Outreach
Dan Derbes	
Molly Diaz	Young Adult & Family Ministry
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
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