



# **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.

**Sunday, May 24, 2026**

**The Day of Pentecost:  
Whitsunday**

**8:00 am**

**Holy Eucharist: Rite One**

*The people standing, the Celebrant may say*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*      ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

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Almighty God, who on this day didst open the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of thy Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**THE FIRST LESSON**

**Acts 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are

not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

`In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

Reader        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

### **THE PSALTER (said seated)**

*Benedic, anima mea*

**Psalm 104:25-35, 37**

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too many to number, \*  
creatures both small and great.

27 There move the ships,  
and there is that Leviathan, \*  
which you have made for the sport of it.

28 All of them look to you \*  
to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them; they gather it; \*  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; \*  
you take away their breath,  
and they die and return to their dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \*  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \*  
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; \*  
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.

35 May these words of mine please him; \*  
I will rejoice in the Lord.

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. \*  
Hallelujah!

## THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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

## THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-23

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Ted Renaud

*Moment of Silence*

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**We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors and hope you'll introduce yourselves, receive a gift, and leave us your contact information!**

***✿SERVING TODAY✿***

Celebrant	The Reverend Daniel M. Cenci
Preacher	The Reverend Ted Renaud
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Beth Cooke and John Pasour
Acolyte	Caroline Billingsley
Ushers	Sandra Caesar and Chris Hempel
Greeter	Anne and Tony Marsico

***✿PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND THANKSGIVINGS✿***

- **For the special needs and concerns of this congregation**, especially for Craig Floyd, Wren Norwood, Becky Wagner, Nissa D'Andrea, Bill Hosp, D'Andrea Wooten, Jim Murphy, Donna Crawford, Pat DeYoung, Alexander Clumpkens, Everett Wanko, Maggie Calio, Anne Sayer, Jim Bartholomew, Edwardene Pitcock, David Leon, Shannon Chandler, The Rev. Dennis Adams and his wife, Barbara, the Boyle Family, Cricket Blanton, Jim Waltermann, Linda Liddle Blackington, Odin Knudsen, and Jenny Tatum.
- We pray for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Erica Pehrsson, Aiden Waddell, George Smallfield, Adam Scott, and Tom Eitler.
- We pray for our members who serve our country, particularly those overseas, and their families: Ryan Moatta, Gabby Rolland, Summer Lancet, Colt Drew, Andrew Choi, The Hicks Family, and Nicholas Amorando.
- 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. Mary's, Whitechapel; Trinity, Lancaster; and All Christian Formation leaders and seekers.

## ❧ *ALTAR FLOWERS* ❧

*Today's Altar flowers are to the glory of God and in memory of the Army Aviation air crew members killed in action during the Vietnam War*

*Given by Jud and Nancy Bireley*

## ❧ *TODAY'S EVENTS* ❧

- **Golden Dove Gift Shop** is open today from 11:30am-12:30pm.
- **GET YOUR POHICK CHURCH MERCH! Today at Coffee hours.**
- **9:15 am: New Member/Inquirers Class-** Rev. Daniel and Rev. Ted will be offering an 8-week class for anyone interested in becoming a member of Pohick Church. The series will focus on scripture, church history, Anglican theology, and Liturgy. **Class is TODAY at 9:15am in the Annex.** The class is open to prospective new members and to anyone who would like a refresher on the history and beliefs of Episcopal/Anglican Christians. If you are interested in joining Pohick Church, please reach out to Rev. Daniel via email at [dcenci@pohick.org](mailto:dcenci@pohick.org).
- **TODAY: "HONORING OUR HEROES"** The Pohick Church Chapter of the Brotherhood of St Andrew plans to conduct a Memorial Day 2026 observance, 0930-1000 at the Bell Tower. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend to remember and honor our Veterans killed in combat or who died because of combat injuries.
- **10 am-12 pm:** For parents with children under 36 months of age who wish to attend our summer adult forums and are in need of the Nursery: please contact the office in advance so we can arrange for the nursery to be open and an attendant to be on site.
- **STARTS TODAY: During the summer, Children's Bible Storytelling is offered in lieu of Children's Chapel.** Children's Bible Storytelling is for preschoolers through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. It will be held in classroom D. Parents should drop off their children at 10:20 am. The children will join their parents in church after the Peace.
- **NO Lectionary-based Bible study today.**
- **NO EYC today: Memorial Day weekend.**

## ❧ *SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS* ❧

- **BEGINNING MAY 31: Summer Children's Sunday School:** For parents who wish to attend our summer adult forums, Pohick Church will be offering a summer Sunday School program for children. This will be a combined class of children ages 4-12 and will meet in Classroom A from 9:15am-10:15am on Sunday mornings. Summer Sunday school will begin on May 31<sup>st</sup> and will end on August 30<sup>th</sup>. All children are welcome to attend!
- **The Martha Guild** would like to thank everyone that came out to support our Wine Tasting. It was a wonderful evening and a great time was enjoyed by all. A special thanks to Terry & Marc Abrams for opening their home for this event. The raffle winners were -- "Blind Date Book Club Basket"/ the Bogdan Family, the "Farm To Table Basket" / Marina Longmire and the "Ready for

the Beach Basket"/Beth Cooke. Congratulations to these winners. We appreciate the support that the congregation gives us, which allows us to continue our mission --- "Helping Others In Need".

- **Performers are needed for our annual EYC Coffee House** Saturday May 30th from 5 pm to 7 pm (approximately) in the Common Room. If you play an instrument and wish to perform, or sing a song, recite poetry, read prose, do a short skit, dance, do a comedy routine, or even a magic act, please share your talent. Registration forms are available in the Parish House or please email Chris Brown at [cgbrown50@gmail.com](mailto:cgbrown50@gmail.com) to get on the program and get additional details. All are invited, friends and family welcome, no admission but donations appreciated.
- **2026 Honduras Mission Trip: July 25- August 1:** Rev. Daniel will be leading a team of youth and adults to Concepcion Del Sur, Honduras on a medical and construction mission. We will be working with Friends of Honduras USA, a non-profit organization established for the purposes of providing advocacy for the victims of poverty and abuse in Honduras, promoting democracy, and facilitating trustworthy communication. The mission team will be providing much needed medical care for the residents of Concepcion Del Sur and assisting with the ongoing construction of a medical facility in the community. Team members will also travel to remote locations in the Honduran mountains to distribute medical supplies, food, and other necessities. No prior medical, construction, or missions experience is necessary. Register by May 31: email Rev Daniel at [dcenci@pohick.org](mailto:dcenci@pohick.org)
- **The Robert and Bernice Kilmarx & Anne Powell Scholarship** is now open to graduating high school seniors of 2026. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage and assist the youth of Pohick Church by providing financial assistance for our college students, encouraging the parish to continue to provide prayer and emotional support, and raising awareness of parish youth in post-secondary education. Applications are in the Parish Office and also can be obtained by emailing Rev. Ted ([trenaud@pohick.org](mailto:trenaud@pohick.org)). Submit your application, essay, and two letters of reference to the church office attention to The Scholarship Committee by May 31. Awards will be given on Youth Sunday, June 7. We look forward to receiving applications!
- **If you have a Graduating High Schooler**, please notify the Church Office to ensure recognition.
- **Need for Youth Volunteers** –Vacation Bible School (VBS) is July 13-17. **We need some Young Adults as the classroom helpers!** Please sign up at [pohick.org/events/vbs/](http://pohick.org/events/vbs/) and select “Teen Helper”, or see Susan Pehrsson, Christian Education Director.
- **Shrine Mont Parish Family Weekend Registration is now open.** The dates for our Parish Family Weekend are 26 to 28 June. For assured rooms registration is highly encouraged before or on 17 May. After that date rooms may not be available due to limited availability.
- **REGISTRATION UPDATE:** Thanks to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Rector’s Discretionary Account, we are able to offer discounts for the youth for Shrine Mont weekend 2026! Discounted costs: ages 3-14, \$65; ages 14-20, \$97.
- **SHRINE MONT RATES:** Double (14 years and older) \$197; Single (14 years and older): \$258; Child (age 4-13 years): \$135; Child 3 and younger are free. Questions: call Neil Sunderland @ 703.670.2962, or [nomadicmapper@aol.com](mailto:nomadicmapper@aol.com).

- As we continue through the spring allergy and cold season, we kindly ask everyone to be mindful of our parish family's health. If you are experiencing coughing, sneezing, congestion, or other symptoms, please consider wearing a mask when attending church or joining us from home through our 10:30 a.m. livestream. Your thoughtfulness helps protect others and ensures we can continue to gather safely and comfortably as a parish community.

## ❧ *UPCOMING EVENTS* ❧

**Ministry of Music**  
**Sunday, May 31, 2026, Trinity Sunday, 5 p.m.**

### *Sounds of Pohick*

*Pohick Pickers, St. Francis Choir, Pohick Handbells, Pohick Youth Choir,  
 Pohick Choir & Pohick Organ*

- **TODAY: "HONORING OUR HEROES"** The Pohick Church Chapter of the Brotherhood of St Andrew: To provide a visible sign that our congregation honors our fallen Veterans, **the Brotherhood will make available enamel poppy lapel pins after Sunday services during coffee hour.** A donation of \$5 is suggested to support the observance and all remaining funds donated to the clergy for use in Veterans Ministry.
- **MAY 25:** Parish Office Closed for Memorial Day
- **MAY 29:** Friday Family Fellowship, 6pm
- **MAY 30:** EYC Coffee House, 5pm
- **MAY 31: Golden Dove Sidewalk Sale & Outdoor Coffee Hour** in the Courtyard, 8:45AM-Noon
- **MAY 31:** Sounds of Pohick, 5:00 pm
- **JUNE 07:** Youth Sunday and Parish Picnic
- **JUNE 13:** America's 250th Colonial Tea at Pohick
- **JUNE 14:** Bishop's Visit
- **JUNE 17:** Eucharist at the Fairfax, 1:30 pm
- **JUNE 18:** Eucharist at Harmony at Spring Hill, 1:30 pm
- **JUNE 26-28:** Shrine Mont
- **JULY 4. 2026:**  
 12:30- Patriotic bike parade around the Pohick Cemetery.  
 1:00pm- Reading of the Declaration of Independence  
 1:30pm- Patriotic Hymns  
 1:45pm- reception  
 1:45pm-3:00pm- Docent tours
- **JULY 6. 2026:** Parish Office Closed for Independence Day
- **WEDNESDAYS IN JULY (1, 8, 15, 22, 29):** "Sermons that Shaped America", 7pm in Pohick Church

- **JULY 13-17, Pohick Vacation Bible School**, Ages 18 months-5<sup>th</sup> grade. The theme this year is Snowball Mountain Challenge! Registration is now open: Log onto pohick.org
- **JULY 25- AUGUST 1, 2026 Honduras Mission Trip**. Register by May 31: email Rev Daniel at dcenci@pohick.org
- **It's never too early to begin planning for this year's Fair—our 80th! Mark your calendar for Saturday October 3, 2026**. The organizing team is exploring sponsorship opportunities with local businesses at multiple levels. We are compiling a list of merchants within a three to five-mile radius of the parish to invite as potential sponsors. If you have suggestions for businesses we should approach, or if you would like to assist the Fair Committee, please contact Rick Church at rickandkristi@comcast.net

## **❧ VISIT THE GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP ❧**

VISIT THE GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP for spring decor, gifts for grads, personalized Pohick items, olive wood ornaments and crosses, baptism and confirmation gifts, clothing and purses for the ladies, AND Pohick's "famous" Apple Butter!

Hours: 1st & 3rd Sundays-8:45-10:30AM 2nd & 4th Sundays-11:30AM-12:30PM

First Saturdays-1-3PM (during docent tours)

SPECIAL NEW GIFTS—are framed sketches of our very own Pohick church—we have a limited number for sale!

**GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP NOW ONLINE!**

[www.pohick.org](http://www.pohick.org) Homepage, click on "Golden Dove"

## **❧ MINISTRIES ❧**

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TODAY: Storytelling**, drop off at 10:20am, children join parents during the Peace

- Susan Pehrsson, Director of Christian Education, 703-282-6574 or spehrsson@pohick.org

**YOUTH MINISTRY: EYC: (Ages 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders)** The Rev. Ted Renaud, trenaud@pohick.org and the Rev. Daniel Cenci, dcenci@pohick.org

**PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY:** The Rev. Ted Renaud, trenaud@pohick.org

### **MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

**Ministry of Music at Pohick Church**

**Sunday, May 24, The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday**

- 9:45 a.m. Pohick Choir, Pohick Youth Choir, *Music Room & Church*,
  - 10:15 a.m. *Pohick Handbells, 4 ringers, Church*
  - **10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II**, *Pohick Choir, Pohick Youth Choir, Pohick Handbells*
- Tuesday, May 26, 6-6:30 p.m. St. Francis Choir

Thursday, May 28, *Music Room & Church*

- 5:30-6:15 p.m. Pohick Youth Choir
- 6:15-7:15 p.m. Pohick Handbells
- 7:30-9 p.m. Pohick Choir

**Sunday, May 31, First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday**

- 9:15 a.m. *handbell set up, Church*
- 9:30 a.m. Pohick Handbells, *Church*
- 9:45 a.m. Pohick Choir, *Music Room & Church*
- **10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer: Rite One**, *Pohick Choir, Pohick Handbells*
- 4:15 p.m. Pohick Handbells, *Church*
- 4:30 p.m. Pohick Youth Choir, Pohick Choir, *Church & Music Room*
- **5 p.m. Sounds of Pohick**, *Pohick Pickers, St. Francis Choir, Pohick Handbells, Pohick Youth Choir, Pohick Choir*

### **❧FOR YOUR INFORMATION❧**

- **Education for Ministry (EfM)** Classes are Mondays at 7pm on Zoom. Denise McHugh at 410-300-9867, dmchugh@umd.edu, or John Egan 703-973-5038, jjegan3@netscape.net.
- **Coffee N Compline on-line Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.** Fellowship, reflection and worship. Call the Parish Office at 703 339-6572 for the Microsoft Teams link. This same link is used every Wednesday.
- **Our regular Sunday Services are at 8 am (Rite I Eucharist spoken) and 10:30 am (Rite II Eucharist sung).** Christian Education for all ages begins at 9:15 am. YOUTH (EYC) 6pm Sundays.
- **Announcements** are on pohick.org /news/weekly-announcements. Email to adminassistant@pohick.org to receive our weekly email.
- **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 Commission Leads</u>
Neil Hogg	Senior Warden
Dave Billingsley	Junior Warden, Building and Grounds
Andrea Gurrola	Treasurer, Resources/ Stewardship / Policy
Tom Mayberry	Register, Pastoral Care / Worship / Education
Dan Derbes	
Molly Diaz	Young Adult/Family Ministry
Rick Church	Communication/Digital Ministry
John Egan	
Christopher Hempel	
Patrick Riley	
Tom Wright	
Barbara Schavland	(youth rep 25/26)
Olivia Diaz	(youth rep 26/27)
Hal Yarwood	Service and Fellowship Outreach

### Staff of Pohick Church

Priest-In-Charge:	The Reverend Daniel M. Cenci
Assistant Rector/ Youth Minister:	The Reverend Ted Renaud
Minister of Music:	Ronald Butts Boehmer
Director of Education:	Susan Pehrsson
Finance Admin.:	Julie Ramacciotti
Sexton:	Clint Herbert
Administrative Asst.:	Kara Faunt
Cemetery Warden:	Sandra Caesar
Communications Mgr:	Deborah Hennig
Nursery Supervisor:	Jenny Tatum

**QR Code is set up for one-time giving for visitors or guests.**

## **Pohick Episcopal Church**

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