



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, October 11, 2026
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

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*The Order of Worship is from The Book of Common Prayer
The Hymns and Service Music are in The Hymnal 1982
Service Music Setting: Robert Powell, 1932-2025*

VOLUNTARY

The King of love my shepherd is – Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924

The congregation enters in silence

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-366

THE WORD OF GOD

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PROCESSIONAL

Holy Ghost dispel our sadness – *Geneva*

HYMN 515

OPENING ACCLAMATION **Book of Common Prayer**

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God – Robert Powell

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us Pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Proper 23, p. 234

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as

for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” Aaron said to them, “Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.” They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” The Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>

THE PSALTER

Dominus regit me

Psalm 23, King James Version

Simplified Anglican Chant, Robert Knox Kennedy, b. 1945



Sung by all in harmony

- 1 **The Lord is my | shepherd;**
 I shall not | want
- 2 **He maketh me to lie down in green | pastures:**
 he leadeth me beside the still | waters.
- 3 **He restoreth my | soul:**
 he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.
- 4 **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.
- 5 **Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine | enemies:**
 thou anointest my head with oil;
 my cup runneth | over.
- 6 **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.

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of

God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL God the Omnipotent! King, who ordainest – *Russia* **HYMN 569**

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 22:1-14**

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Moment of Silence

The Reverend Dr. Diane G. Murphy

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*Form III*)

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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 Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops; and Daniel and Diane, 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, Abigail, 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;

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: Pierce, Griffin, Rosemarie, Ethan, and Glory.

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

Reader In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for St. Stephen & The Good Shepherd, Rocky Bar; Elkton.

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.

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

THE HOLY COMMUNION BCP p. 361

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1810-1847

Cast thy burden upon the Lord (*Elijah*)

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee,
 He never will suffer the righteous to fall, He is thy right hand.
 Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heavens.
 Let none be made ashamed, that wait upon Thee.
Psalms 55:22; 16:18; 108:2; 25:3

DOXOLOGY Praise God, from who all blessings flow – *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 Holy, holy, holy, Lord – Robert Powell S 129

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION pp. 362-363

THE LORD'S PRAYER	p. 364
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THE INVITATION	

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion (see back page).

Please follow the direction of the ushers to Communion Stations.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION	My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Virgil Thomson, 1896-1989
	The Lord to Me a Shepherd Is (<i>Bay Psalm Book</i>)

COMMUNION	O Jesus joy of loving hearts – <i>Jesu dulcis memoria</i>	HYMN 650
	<i>Sung by all</i>	

COMMUNION	George F. Root, 1810-1895, <i>arr.</i> Vicki Hancock Wright
	Jesus Loves the little children & He's got the whole world in his hands

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL	All creatures of our God and King – <i>Lässt uns erfeuen</i>	HYMN 400
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THE DISMISSAL	p. 366
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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 Dr. Diane G. Murphy
Minister of Music	Ronald Butts Boehmer
Organist & Director	Steve Beck
Choirs	Pohick Choir, Pohick St. Francis Choir, <i>Barbara Lynn leader</i>
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Mo Faber and Jessica Cenci
Shepherd	Jen Strawderman
Acolytes	David Diaz, Elise Arnold, Eliana Mesick, Caroline Mesick
Duty Driver	Kaitlyn Wright
Ushers	Pehr Pehrsson and Alexia Gordon
Altar Guild	Sunderland Team
Docent	Alexia Gordon
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, Becky Wagner, Nissa D'Andrea, Bill Hosp, D'Andrea Wooten, Jim Murphy, Donna Crawford, Alexander Clumpkens, Everett Wanko, Maggie Calio, Anne Sayer, Jim Bartholomew, Edwardene Pitcock, John Leon, The Rev. Dennis Adams and his wife, Barbara, the Boyle Family, Cricket Blanton, Jim Walterman, Linda Liddle Blackington, Odin Knudsen, Jenny Tatum, Russ Dickerson, Patricia Franke, Rhett Aiken, Anna Thompson, the Royal Family, Philip Timmons, Kathy Linville, Femi Ayorinde, Charles Miller, Cathy Kern, David Updegraff, Andy B., JP, Rosette Diaz, and Anne Kearns.
- We pray for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Pierce Prior, Griffin Johnson, Rosemarie Schavland, Ethan Anderson, and Glory Gurrola.
- We pray for our members who serve our country, particularly those overseas, and their families: Ryan Moatta, Gabby Rolland, Summer Lancet, 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.
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- In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for St. Stephen & The Good Shepherd, Rocky Bar; Elkton.

✧ *ALTAR FLOWERS* ✧

In celebration of our 40th anniversary and in thanksgiving for the many blessings of abiding love.

Hal and Susan Yarwood

✧ *TODAY'S EVENTS* ✧

- **Join Rev. Daniel on Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the annex for Crusading Conversations.** Crusading Conversations is a transformational 5-episode mini-series for Christians, both individuals and small-groups. Utilizing the very best scholarship, the Revd. Dr. Ben Randall, an Anglican minister and Christian apologist, explains why the 'crusades' started, why the Church needn't feel ashamed, and will give you greater confidence to share the incredible Good News of Jesus "Christ, and Him crucified."
- **Christian Education Information:** Questions? Call or text Nicole Crochet at 703-946-3233
- *Signs to guide you to the correct room are located at the entrance of the Parish House*
- **9:15 – 10:15 Church School**
 - Preschool – 2nd Grade meet downstairs in Room E
 - 3rd – 8th Grade meet upstairs in Choir Room
 - 9th – 12th Grade meet in the Teen Trailer
- **10:20 – 11:00 am – Children's Chapel**
 - Preschool – 3rd Grade meet in Room D
 - *Children are brought into the church service at the Peace*
- **Nursery Room**
 - **9:15 am – 12:00 pm**, 6 months – 36 months can be dropped off at any time.
 - **9:15 – 10:15 am – Grace Space Class**, 18 months – 36 months and at least one adult meet in the nursery.
 - Grace Space is for little ones and their adult(s) to experience an age-appropriate service, sing, play, and pray together.
- **Gift shop open today at 11:30am-12:30pm**
- **EYC meeting today at 6:00pm-7:30pm**

✧ *UPCOMING EVENTS* ✧

- **OCT 12:** Columbus Day, Parish Office closed
- **OCT 13:** Vestry meeting, Vestry house, 7 pm.
- **OCT 16:** 9am, Arlington Cemetery: Fred Crawford's Interment. Please RSVP for the Celebration of Life event: <https://evite.me/tVH4Xtc5j4>
- **OCT 18:** Stewardship presentations during both coffee hours
- **OCT 21:** Wednesday Holy Eucharist at the Fairfax, 1:30 pm.
- **OCT 22:** Thursday Holy Eucharist at Harmony at Spring Hill, 1:30 pm.

- **OCT 23:** Newcomer Reception at rectory, 6pm-8pm
- **OCT 25:** Reformation Sunday (1662 Morning Prayer at 10:30 am)
- **NOV 1:** All Saints Day
- **NOV 8:** Veterans Day commemoration
- **NOV 11:** Veterans Day, Parish Office closed
- **NOV 22:** Kirkin' o' the Tartan and 1789 Holy Communion. Please call the office or email adminassistant@pohick.org to order tartans as soon as possible as it takes about 6 weeks to receive them. The company we are using is Atlanta Kilts. The link is www.atlantakilts.com It does appear that we may have several representatives from the Scottish Government office of the British Embassy in attendance!
- **NOV 26-27,** Thanksgiving, Parish Office Closed

❧SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS❧

- **Pastoral Care Ministry:** If you or your family are experiencing a difficult time or facing serious issues and wish to confidentially discuss these with clergy, please know we are here for you.
Rev. Daniel, 703 339-6572, or dcenci@pohick.org; and Rev. Diane, 703 408-1152, or dmurphy@ttrsir.com
- **Pohick Church is seeking a warm, caring, and dependable individual to serve as a Nursery Attendant on Sunday mornings.** This position involves caring for children ages 6 weeks to 3 years old in a safe, nurturing, and welcoming environment where they feel secure and comfortable while separated from their parents. Interested? Please send your resume or CV to Nicole Crochet, Director of Youth and Family Ministries at ChildrenMinistries@pohick.org
- **We are currently enrolling students in Education for Ministry (EfM).** Contacts: John Egan, jjegan03@gmail.com, 703-973-5038; or Denise McHugh, dmchugh@umd.edu, 410-300-9867.

❧Happy Fall, Y'all from the GOLDEN DOVE GIFT SHOP!❧

THANK YOU for supporting the Golden Dove Gift Shop (w/record sales) during our Fair last week!

We have a few treasures left from Tidewater Trove-one-of-a-kind necklaces, earrings, charcuterie boards, and angel ornaments made from pottery & glass pieces from the Potomac River! Also, shop for fall decor, olive wood gifts, books, personalized Pohick items, & apple butter!

Hours:

1st & 3rd Sundays-8:45-10:30AM

2nd & 4th Sundays-11:30AM-12:30PM

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

Shop online at www.pohick.org homepage, click on Golden Dove.

❧ **FOR YOUR INFORMATION** ❧

- **Regular Sunday Services:** 8:00am (Rite I Eucharist spoken), 10:30am (Rite II Eucharist sung); Christian Education for all ages begins at 9:15am. EYC (5th-12th grade) 6pm-7:30pm.
- **Coffee N Compline** is on-line Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Pick up a reusable bulletin in the parish office.
- To receive our weekly email, please send your Email to adminassistant@pohick.org
- **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

Member Elected Position and Commission Leads

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	
Olivia Diaz	(youth rep 26/27)
Hal Yarwood	Service and Fellowship Outreach

Staff of Pohick Church

Priest-In-Charge:	The Reverend Daniel M. Cenci
Interim Assistant to the Rector:	The Reverend Dr. Diane G. Murphy
Minister of Music:	Ronald Butts Boehmer
Director of Youth and Family Ministries:	Nicole Crochet
Finance Admin.:	Julie Ramacciotti
Sexton:	Clint Herbert
Administrative Asst.:	Kara Faunt
Cemetery Warden:	Sandra Caesar
Communications Mgr:	Deborah Hennig
Nursery Supervisor:	Jenny Tatum