

FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2021

6:00 PM



POHICK EPISCOPAL CHURCH
9301 RICHMOND HWY, LORTON, VIRGINIA 22079



CHRISTMAS DAY

POHICK EPISCOPAL CHURCH • DECEMBER 25, 2021

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II • 10:00 AM

PRELUDE *Rise Up Shepherd, and Follow/While shepherds watched their flocks*
- arr. by Mary K. Sallee

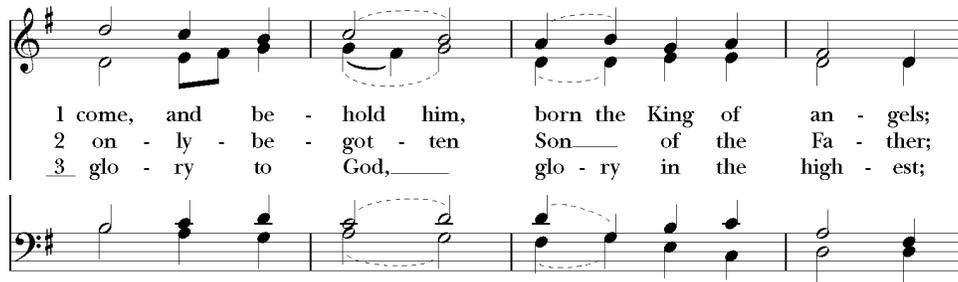
OPENING WELCOME

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN - Hymn #83 O come, all ye faithful (v1, 2, 3 & 6)

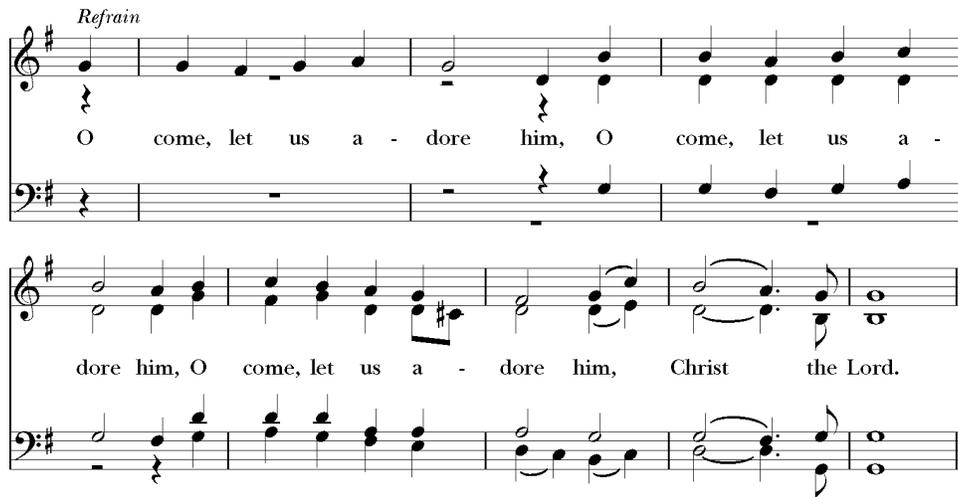
1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;



1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
 3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -
 dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father,
 now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others
 Music: *Adesie fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade (1711-1786); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
 People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

BCP p. 355

THE GLORIA - *Hymn #96* Angels we have heard on high (v. 1 only)

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,

and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.

Refrain

Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a

ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813-1882), alt. Copyright © by permission of Fleming H. Revell Company. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music: *Gloria*, French carol, arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958)

COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

BCP p.212

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

A Reading from Isaiah (52:7-10)

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.

Break forth together into singing,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the LORD has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98 (IN UNISON)

BCP p. 727

Cantate Domino

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

A READING FROM HEBREWS (1:1-12)

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

"You are my Son;
today I have begotten you"?

Or again,

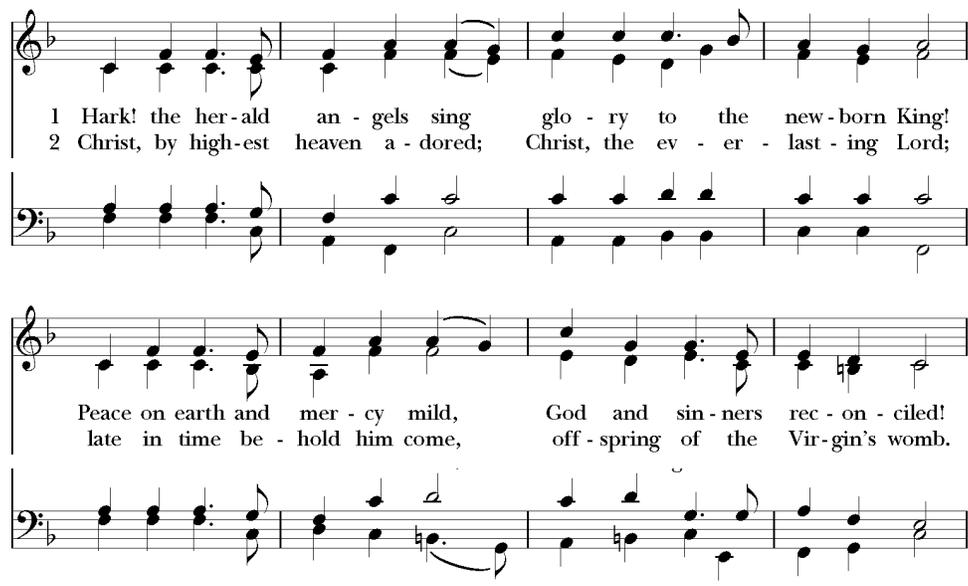
"I will be his Father,
and he will be my Son"?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,
 "Let all God's angels worship him."
 Of the angels he says,
 "He makes his angels winds,
 and his servants flames of fire."
 But of the Son he says,
 "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,
 and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom.
 You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
 therefore God, your God, has anointed you
 with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."

And,
 "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth,
 and the heavens are the work of your hands;
 they will perish, but you remain;
 they will all wear out like clothing;
 like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed.
 But you are the same,
 and your years will never end."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN - *Hymn #87* *Hark! The herald angels sing (vv. 1-2 only)*



1 Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing glo-ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a-dored; Christ, the ev-er-last-ing Lord;

Peace on earth and mer-cy mild, God and sin-ners rec-on-ciled!
 late in time be-hold him come, off-spring of the Vir-gin's womb.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in-car - nate De - i - ty.

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Mendelssohn, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831-1915)

THE GOSPEL

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:1-14)
 People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all

who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SEQUENCE HYMN (cont.) - *Hymn #87 Hark! The herald angels sing (v. 3 only)*

3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

hail, the Sun of Right - ous - ness! hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

The image shows a musical score for a refrain. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The music ends with a double bar line.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Mendelssohn*, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831-1915)

THE SERMON - The Rev. Jere Hinson

THE NICENE CREED

BCP p.358

All

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

BCP p.387

Reader Oh Lord our Heavenly Father, we thank you and praise you for the gift of your son Jesus Christ on this holiest of nights, and for your boundless love and compassion for all your children.

People ***That we may live as your beloved children, offering one another mutual respect, love and forgiveness.***

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 all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

Reader We pray for 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;

People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.*** *(especially those listed on our prayer list on pg. 17.)*

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.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
All ***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;***

that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN - *Hymn #109 The first Nowell the angel did say (vv. 1-6)*

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star
3 And by the light of that same star
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5 full rev - erent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
 2 and to the earth it gave great light,
 3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,
 4 and there it did both stop and stay
 5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

1 on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
 2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 3 and to fol - low the star where ev - er it went.
 4 right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

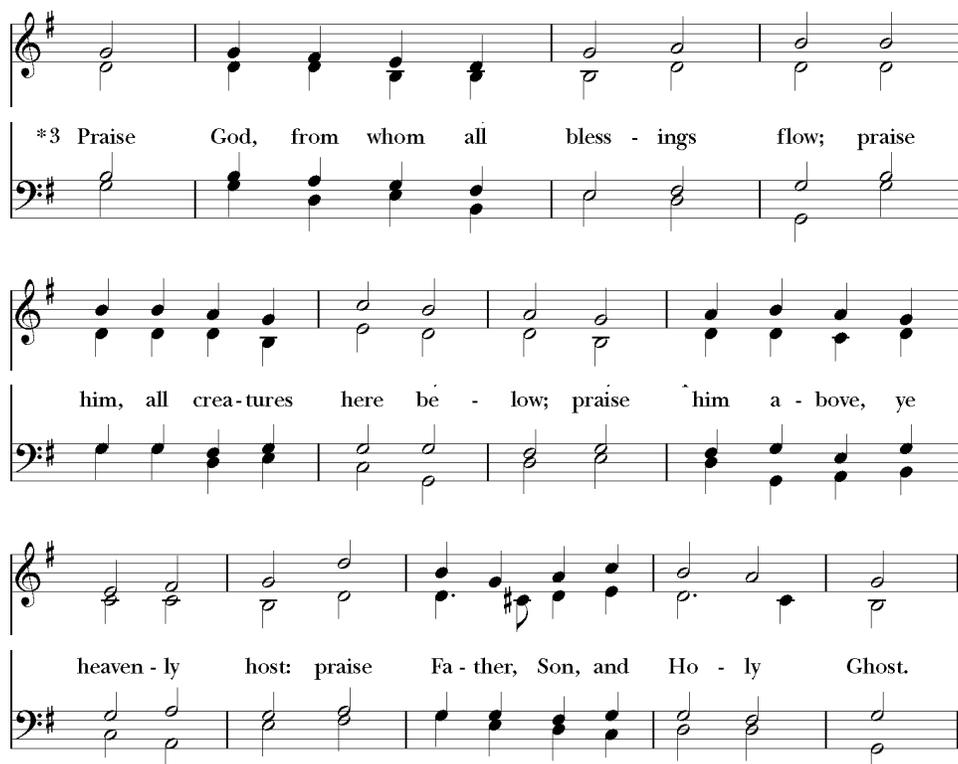
born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6 Then let us all with one accord
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

THE DOXOLOGY *Hymn #380 (v. 3 only)*

(Old 100th)



*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea- tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

BCP p. 372

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

THE SANCTUS (*sung in unison*) - S-129

The people stand or kneel.

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Celebrant We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all. When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All **We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Celebrant Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.
And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP p. 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve and keep you in everlasting life. *Amen.*

In the Episcopal tradition, all are welcomed to the 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.

All baptized Christians may receive communion, or you may cross your arms over your chest and simply receive a blessing.

Tonight, we return to partaking in Communion in Both Kinds (both bread and wine). Because of ongoing health concerns, the Celebrant will instinct (dip) the edge of the bread in the Common Cup for you, then drop the bread gently into your outstretched hands.

COMMUNION HYMN - Hymn #79 O little town of Bethlehem

1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!
*4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,
5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
2 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.
3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin-eth the ev-er-last-ing Light;
 2 O morn-ing stars, to- geth-er pro-claim the ho-ly birth!
 3 No ear may hear his com-ing, but in this world of sin,
 4 where char-i-ty stands watch-ing and faith holds wide the door,
 5 We hear the Christ-mas an-gels the great glad tid-ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to-night.
 2 and prais-es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re-ceive him, still the dear Christ en-ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo-ry breaks, and Christ-mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a-bide with us, our Lord Em-man-u-el!

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893) Music: St. Louis, Lewis H. Redner (1831-1908)

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN - *Hymn #100 Joy to the world*

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
 2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
 *3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and
 2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
 3 far as the curse is found, far
 4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
 peat the sound - ing joy,
 as the curse is found,
 won - ders of his love,

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Antioch*, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant (Sentence of dismissal)
 People **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE - O come all ye faithful - arr. by Mary K. Sallee

Note: Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with license #A-711896. All rights reserved.

THOSE WHO SERVE

CELEBRANT AND PREACHING The Rev. Jere Hinson
PIANIST Carolyn Cockroft
LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Rick Nelson
USHERS Dave Billingsley, Hank Foresman
DOCENT Nancy Sage

For your home prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings:

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Kristy Girten, Joan Parsons, Lynn Anderholm, Nancy Bireley, Davis Sessums, Suzanne Froman, Anne Cannon, Craig Floyd, Roy Baumann, Jack Oats, Andy, Chrissy, Judy Schmid, D'Andrea Wooten, Carney McCullough, Bill Hosp, Greg Scott, Andrea Nutter, Darryl Sebastian, Lisa Ruf, Alice Jean Scott, Nelson Whittaker, Chuck MacDonald, Janet Hinson, Joan Egan, Jehl Palvado, Carl Steuernagel, Mike Morgan, Charlotte Knipling, Sarah, Terrence Dolan, Buck Gastrell, Skip

Schultz, Ken Knight, Tony Marsico, Neil Sunderland, Jill Johnson, John Hishta, Greg Rose, Larry Rose, Michael Bartholomew, Tom Ronaldi, and Edwardene Pitcock.

We pray for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Kathy Kirkland, Esther Goeller, Janet Hodges, Victoria Phillips, and Pat Kelley.

We pray for our members who serve our country, particularly those overseas, and their families: Arch Wilson, Ryan Moatta, Rick Church, Katie Weber, Jesse Grimm, and Kyle Gibson.

We pray for peace in the Middle East, especially in Afghanistan, and for the Church in Syria, Iraq, Egypt, and Israel.

We pray for the Afghan refugees and for those left behind. We pray for victims of natural disasters. We pray for all suffering from COVID-19, and for the protection and strength for all health care workers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be regular Sunday worship service Sun., December 26, at 8:00AM & 10:30AM.

Welcome newcomers! Our services are open to an unlimited number of worshippers. Following the Diocesan guidelines, masks will be worn during church services and in the Parish House. Tonight, please introduce yourselves to us, leave the ushers a pew card with your contact information so you can receive our updates, and receive a Newcomer Bag from our greeters! We hope to connect with you again soon!

Worship Services are at **8:00AM & 10:30AM, with Sunday School and fellowship at 9:15AM.** 10:30 am service is live-streamed on Facebook. **Compline continues** Wednesday nights via Zoom. Link is emailed. Compline will resume December 29.

Christian Education Classes (online at www.pohick.org).

- **Adult Inquirers' class** for newcomers, seekers, and those seeking a refresher, **begins Sunday, February 6.**
- **Children's Christian Education**, in-person, and virtual components. Please contact Frances Sessums for information and registration. There will be no **Sunday School** or **Children's Chapel** December 26 and January 2. Sunday School and Children's Chapel will resume on January 9.
- **Building Community.** Sunday evening Bible Study on Romans led by Amy Bontrager. Contact Amy at Amy.L.Bontrager@gmail.com.
- **Education for Ministry (EFM)** will continue with weekly Monday classes, 7-9 pm. Students will meet in person, with virtual component as needed. Please contact Denise McHugh at 410-300-9867 or dmchugh@umd.edu, or John Egan, for information or to register.

This year, through the Samaritan Purse Ministry, Pohick Church made, packed and sent **sixty-six shoeboxes as Christmas presents for children around the world**. Together, we also donated over \$500 to the ministry for shipping costs. Thank you to those who participated in this ministry of blessing others!

EYC is on a break until after the New Year. We look forward to starting up again after Christmas Break!

Playdate for young ones! Pohick Parents with babies and young children interested in forming a playdate/parent group contact Rev. Celal.

The **Parish office will be closed Monday Dec. 27**, for Christmas Day holiday, and **Monday January 3**, for New Year's Day holiday. There will be limited staff in the office the week of the 27th.

Docents are available for group tours after Sunday services, or by appointment through the Church Office: 703-339-6572. Docents offer tours on the **First Saturday of the month at 1:00PM**. Pohick Church is **open daily at 9:00AM to 4:30PM** for self-guided tours.



Christmas Flowers Dedicated by the Following:

George Washington, Please, stay safe. Love Martha – given by Martha Washington. In loving memory for my loving husband **Robert Turner**, and in Thanksgiving for my grandchildren **Sterling and Dana** – given by Cathy Turner.

In loving memory of our parents, **Lawrence & Ruth Myers**, and **Marcel & Ethel Pfalzgraf**. For the love, joy, and happiness **of our family** – given by Dennis & Connie Myers.

In loving memory of **Richard L. Heintze, Sr.**, and my parents **Jack and Jackie Cavanagh**. You are missed – given by Carol Heintze.

In loving memory of **Christopher G. MacDonald** – given by Chuck & June MacDonald.

In loving memory of **Mavis, Wills, Doris Caesar, & Natalie Bibbs** – given by Sandra Caesar.

In Thanksgiving for our **Bland and Foulger Families** – given by Tom & Diana Bland.

In loving memory of **George Crump** and in Thanksgiving for my daughters **Jennifer & Shannon**, their husbands **Rod & Phil**, & my grands **Rosie, Rhett, Liam & Tessa** – given by Ellie Crump.

In loving memory of **Patricia Billingsley** and **Douglas MacMillan** – given by the Billingsley Family.

In Thanksgiving for **our family** – given by Bruce & Beth Baird.

In Thanksgiving for **friends, family and our many blessings** – given by the Elston Family.

In memory of **Arwyn “Bud” Arnhart**. We miss you, your family – given by Emelia Ann Arnhart.

In loving memory of our parents, **Marion & Phyllis Crawford, Robert & Lillian Foxwell**, our daughter **Desiree** and Donna’s brother **Bruce Burkitt** – given by Fred & Donna Crawford.

In Thanksgiving for our children **Steven, Michael, Dawn** and our daughter-in-law **Maureena** and our grandchildren **McKenna & Max**, and our **Pohick family** – given by Fred & Donna Crawford.

In memory of our parents, **Chuck & Fran Tonkin, Bill & Olive Bennett**, and brother **Bruce Bennett** – given by Chuck & Marsha Tonkin.

In memory of our grand dad **Roy Strawderman** and our Poppy, **George Crump** – given by Rose & Rhett Strawderman.

In Thanksgiving for our **Grammy and Grandma** – given by Rose & Rhett Strawderman.

In Thanksgiving for our children, **Rose and Rhett** and for our godchildren, **Rebecca Booth and Maggie Calio** – given by Rod & Jen Strawderman.

In Thanksgiving for our children **Jeb & Caroline** – given by Joe & Brenna Berger.

In Thanksgiving for our **Pohick Family** – given by Jud and Nancy Bireley.

In memory of **Owen and Margaret Wilberger, J. J. Egan, and Eleanor Tudo** – given by Linda, John & Ben Egan.

In Thanksgiving for the loving welcome and community to **a newcomer** – given by Patricia Franke.

In loving memory of **Grant Hodges** – given by Jane Grant, Dotty & John Godley, and Pam & Rick Nelson.

In loving memory of my parents, **Anne H. Adams** and **R. Haskins Hawthorne** – given by Jane H. Grant.

In loving memory of **Ann & Sam Spragins**, and **Virginia & Edgar Harding**, our parents – given by Mari and Stephen Harding.

In Thanksgiving for our children and their spouses: **Sarah, Ian & Sophia, Erika & Scott, and Aren & Rachel** – given by Mari and Stephen Harding.

In Thanksgiving to **God for all our blessings**, especially for our grandchildren **Nygel, Laila, Yasmine, Zahraa & Sherine** – given by Vera & Rodger Jones.

In loving memory of our mothers **Helen & Ann**, and our grandmother **Naomi** – given by Vera & Rodger Jones.

A blessed Christmas to **All – Family & Friends** – given by Paul & Susanne Leon

In Thanksgiving for **Gineura, Sarah and Sheila** – given by Kathy Kirkland.

In memory of **Jennie, Barbara, Wade and Joey** – given by Jeff and Helen Parker.

In loving memory of our departed parents; **Janet Rose, Pehr and Gerry Pehrsson** – given by Susan & Pehr Pehrsson.

In Thanksgiving for our wonderful family: **Larry Rose, Erica, Alex Russo, Kelsey, Mike LaCroix, Emily and Rachel** – given by Susan & Pehr Pehrsson.
In loving memory of **Paul Peterson** – given by Beverly Peterson and children.
In loving memory of **John Pitcock, Ed, Pola, Daria & Ed Jr. Bienecki** – given by Edwardene Pitcock.
In Thanksgiving for **my Pohick Family** – given by Edwardene Pitcock.
In memory of **Bill Poad** – given by Anne Poad.
In Thanksgiving for our children & their spouses: **Katelyn & John, Jacob & Marlee** – given by Stew & Wendy Remaly.
In loving memory of **Harold McCullough, Dot and Evans McCreery, Frank and Frances McCullough and Francis X. and Demetra Riley** – given by Patrick Riley and Carney and Brad McCullough.
In Thanksgiving **for family and friends, and for Pohick Church** – given by Judy & Neil Sunderland.
In memory of our parents **John & Jennie Lyle and Edmund and Elizabeth Thurston** – given by Fuzzy and Jane Thurston.
In loving memory of **Iris and Tom Ronaldi, and Jan Alley Petrie**. In thanksgiving for our family: **Alley Ronaldi and Mea Daniel, Tori and Ben Jackson, and Carly Ronaldi and Jarod Wright** – given by Rev. Lynn and Tom Ronaldi.

*We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors
and hope you'll introduce yourselves,
and receive a gift from our Invite Welcome Connect ministry.*

Merry Christmas

Pohick Episcopal Church

The Reverend Dr. Lynn P. Ronaldi, Rector

9301 Richmond Highway • Lorton, VA 22079 • 703-339-6572 • pohick.org

Like us on Facebook: "Pohick Church"

Home Church of George Washington and George Mason

Embracing the Past, Welcoming in the Present, Transforming for the Future

