

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
November 12, 2023

10 AM – Morning Prayer Rite I, with Holy Eucharist

Before the service, speak to the Lord. (BCP Page 833)

During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

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Musical notation for the Amen. The notation is in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is written on a bass clef staff. The lyrics "A - men, a - men, a - men." are written below the treble staff.

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Lynn Novak in memory of Bill Novak.

- OFFICIANT – The Rev. Gini DiStanislao
- LAY READERS – David Denson & Angela Park
- ACOLYTE – Kate Hott
- ALTAR GUILD – Leslie Eckmann, Lea Emory, Sharon LaLiberte, Lynn Novak
- COFFEE HOUR – in Denny Hall
- NURSERY – Jenny Karluk
- MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen
- USHER – Don Whitley
- VIDEO STREAMING TEAM – Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Brent Deekens

When you pray, please remember the following:
Anika Kapur, Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Holly Dean Schlotterer, Graham Lighthiser, Peggy Lighthiser, Anne Dull, Sue Stroson, Harry Bowen, Jr., Nick Hanak, Michael Foreman, Kaitlin DeCesare, Phil Frank, Verity Jones, Jane Gerring, Lynn Shepley, Ben Durrant, Parker Ann Martin, Nancy & Tom Dawson, Jake Anderson, Amanda Looney, Robert Johnston, Eddie Oliver, Lee & Janet Showalter, June Stertz, Michelle Fisher, David Wolcott, Larry Rock, Viola Muller, Tom Walker, Sharon Hoyle, Marcy, Connie Rosenbaum, Alan Rosenbaum, Barbara Akers, Christy Darlington, Lucy & John Goode, Wally Groom, Lawrence Mitchell, Sally & Jay Fiedler, Harry Broaddus, Jim Smith, Bentley Wetzel, Brad Rose, Goldie Groom, Sandy Litz, Jamie Owens, Carol Perenzin, Mickey Stokes, Elizabeth Felicetti, Don Akers, Carolyn Burns, Grady Hebert, Brent Hodges, Judy Jones, Brian, Chip, Laura, Ed Mulreany, Peggy Loeper, Christy Allen, Donna Crane, Dennis McArdle, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Marissa, Jean Duke, Guy Ross, Tommy Collins, Barry Akers, Hersch Goldberg-Polin, Susan & Dave Woods, Jamie Owen, Polly Akers and David Wilson.

Happy birthday to the following:

Paul Davis	11/14	Elizabeth Miller	11/18
Brendan Horgan	11/18		

Happy anniversary to the following:

Liz & Greg Lee	11/15
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Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children’s Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Annual Meeting:** The Annual Meeting will be held **today** in Denny Hall following the 10 AM service. Please plan to attend.
- ❖ **Tuesday Bible Study** will meet **Tuesday, November 14, at 9:30 AM.** Join Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.
- ❖ **Men’s Bible Study – Wednesday, November 15, at 9:15 AM:** Please join us for coffee, doughnuts and lively conversation. Each week we will look at the lectionary readings for the following Sunday. This study will be for all levels of learners. We hope that you will join us.
- ❖ **Adult Forum and Inquirer’s Class: Sunday, November 19, at 9 AM** in Denny Hall. The Rev Canon Jim Smith will be presenting on The Separation of Church and State. Come and join us!
- ❖ **The Confirmation Class** will meet on **Sunday, November 19, at 11:30 AM.**
- ❖ **Choir Practice:** The **Chancel Choir (adults)** rehearsals **Thursday, at 7:30 PM.** If you would like to join the choir, call Rita Gulliksen (804) 272-0505.
- ❖ **Book Club: Tuesday, November 21, at 5 PM.** We will be reading is The Second Mrs. Astor by Shana Abe'. Please join us at Manakin to discuss our selection. All are welcome. You may bring a bag supper and dessert is always provided. If you have any questions, please contact Birdie at scespta@aol.com or 804-677-5985.
- ❖ **Shelter Feeding Program: Saturday, November 25, at 9 AM.** Sign up in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Backpacks Of Love:** We will be helping Backpacks of Love by collecting snacks such as individual bags of chips and Pop Tarts and proteins (pop-top cans of beefaroni/ravioli are especially welcome). Please place these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. **Join us on the first Friday of the month.** You can meet us at Manakin at **9 AM** or at the site at **9:30 AM**, 3035 Lower Hill Road, Powhatan. If you have any questions, contact Penny Sawyer at 804-794-5609.

- ❖ **Food Donations:** We continue to accept donations for the Powhatan Food Pantry. The collection bins are in the Denny Hall entrance. They appreciate all donations of nonperishable food items and current needs bow tie pasta, canned tuna fish, Vienna sausage, all kinds of soups. Thank you for all your help.
- ❖ **Powhatan Animal Shelter** gladly accepts donations of dog food (wet/dry Pedigree or Purina Adult & puppy), laundry items (detergent/softener/dryer sheets/bleach), towels, blankets, toys (such as “Kongs”), treats, medium collars/harnesses/leashes and peanut butter. Please put these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. You can also support them with a monetary donation to their medical fund at Claws and Paws by phone at 804-598-8030 or send your donation to Claws and Paws with the note “Powhatan Animal Control Medical Fund” to 4313 Anderson Highway, Powhatan, VA 23139. Thank you!
- ❖ Please consider signing up to host **Coffee Hour.** Use the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445A4A922A5FD0-coffee>

THANKSGIVING COMPLETE MEAL

To ensure that every family gets the same identical meal package, we ask that you include all of the items in double bags for strength. Please mark each bag “COMPLETE” so that our volunteers know that every item is in the bag. If it is not complete, please leave it unmarked.

Donations of \$20.00 Food Lion Gift Cards would also be appreciated. Please add one to your bag, for the purchase of meat or other food products.

This project is totally dependent on our community. The need is great.



1 40 oz. can of yams/sweet potatoes
1 12 oz. box mashed potatoes
1 14 oz. can cranberry sauce
2 15 oz. cans corn
2 15 oz. cans green vegetables
2 10 oz. cans gravy
2 6 oz. packages stuffing mix
1 box hot chocolate
1 box or jar of ice tea mix or bags
1 non-perishable family dessert item (brownie mix or cake mix with icing)

In order for us to be able to supply those in our community who may not otherwise be able to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, we are asking that the community partner with us. There are many ways in which you or your group can assist us in this endeavor:

- Fill the Complete Meal Bag
- Assist with the purchase of Food Lion Gift Cards - \$20.00 each
- Donate Cash to help with the purchase of food and gift cards
- Donate the individual items that go into the bags

Make checks payable to: Coalition of Powhatan Churches

Mail to: Mrs. Theresa Fields, Treasurer, 1520 Swiftwood Drive, Powhatan, VA 23139

**Point of collection and distribution is
Denny Hall
Manakin Episcopal Church**

**Accepting Donations
from now through
November 12, 2023**

The food pantry is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m.to 12 noon

The Collect

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the LORD!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

The Psalm

Psalm 78:1-7

Attendite, popule

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
- 5 He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;
- 6 That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
- 7 So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments;

The Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Processional Hymn #574 – Before Thy Throne, O God We Kneel

1 Be - fore thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a con - science
2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to
3 For sins of heed - less word and deed, for pride am - bi - tious
4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our in - most spi - rits

quick to feel, a rea - dy mind to un - der - stand the
all their due. From love of plea - sure, lust of gold, from
to suc - ceed, for craft - y trade and sub - tle snare to
pu - ri - fy: con - sume the ill; purge out the shame; O

mean - ing of thy chas - tening hand; what - e'er the pain and
sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us
catch the sim - ple un - a - ware, for lives be - rest of
God, be with us in the flame; a new - born peo - ple

shame may be, bring us, O Fa - ther, near - er thee.
with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
pur - pose high, for - give, for - give, O Lord, we cry.
may we rise, more pure, more true, more no - bly wise.

Sequence Hymn – I Vow To Thee My Country



1. I - vow to thee, my country, all earthly things a - bove

2. And there's a - no - ther country, I've heard of long a - go



1. En - tire and whole and per - fect the service of my love

2. most dear to them that love her most great to them that know;



1. The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,

2. We may not count her ar - mies we may not see her King;



1. That lays up - on the al - tar the dearest and the best;

2. Her for - tress is a faithful heart, her pride is suf - fer - ing



1. The love that ne - ver fal - ters, the love that pays the price,

2. And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds in - crease,



1. The love that makes un - daunt - ed the fi - nal sa - cri - fice

2. And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

Communion Hymn #324 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and

2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on

3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard

4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -

earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man

on the way, as the Light of Light de -

sleep - less eye, veil their fa - ces to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand

ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood

scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,

Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,

he will give to all the faith - ful

that the powers of hell may va - nish

"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"




our full hom - age to de - mand.

his own self for heaven - ly food.


as the dark - ness clears a way.

Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Communion Hymn #620 – Jerusalem, My Happy Home



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when
2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they
3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as
4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God



1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they
3 mas - ter of the choir: ten thou - sand times would
4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's
5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and




1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
2 still re - joice in that most hap - py place.
3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.
4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.
5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!


Closing Hymn #579 – Almighty Father, Strong To Save




rest - less wave, who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep its
runs a - main by moun - tain pass or val - ley low; wher -
firm - a - ment; O Wind of hea - ven, by thy might save
dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the
2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain o'er which our traf - fic
3 O Spi - rit, whom the Fa - ther sent to spread a - broad the
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, our peo - ple shield in



own ap - point - ed li - mits keep: O hear us when we
ev - er, Lord, thy peo - ple go, pro - tect them by thy
all who dare the ea - gle's flight, and keep them by thy
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
guard - ing hand from ev - ery per - il on the land.
watch - ful care from ev - ery per - il in the air.
rise to thee glad praise from space, air, land, and sea.