

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
November 19, 2023

10:00 AM – Holy Baptism

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.

The Word of God

Table with 2 columns: Liturgical Text and Minister/Reference. Includes The Voluntary, Opening Hymn, Collect, Lessons, Gospel, and Homily.

The Baptism

Table with 2 columns: Liturgical Text and Page Number. Includes Presentation and Examination, Baptismal Covenant, Prayers, Thanksgiving, Baptism, Anointing, and Announcements.

The Great Thanksgiving

Table with 2 columns: Liturgical Text and Page Number. Includes Offertory Sentence, Anthem, Offerings, Doxology, Our Fathers, Eucharistic Prayer, Sanctus, and Amen.

Musical notation for the Amen response, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.'

Table with 2 columns: Liturgical Text and Page Number. Includes The Lord's Prayer, Fraction Anthem, Communion Hymn, Communion Meditation, and Post Communion Prayer.

Table with 2 columns: Liturgical Text and Page Number. Includes The Blessing, Closing Hymn, and Dismissal.

Please save your conversations until you exit the church to be respectful of those listening to the Postlude.

Table with 2 columns: Postlude and Organist. Includes Toccata in F by Buxtehude.

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Terry and Tom Hood in honor of their granddaughter, Elena Quinn Evangelist, upon the occasion of her baptism today.

We welcome all family and friends and invite you to join us in Denny Hall for a reception.

- OFFICIANT – The Rev. Gini DiStanislao
LAY READERS – David Martin & Nancy Nagel
ALTAR GUILD – Leslie Eckmann, Lea Emory, Sharon LaLiberte, Lynn Novak
COFFEE HOUR – Terry & Tom Hood
MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen
NURSERY – Marrica Hazelwood
USHER – John Mills
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 Strosen, 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 Wetzell, 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, David Wilson, Althea Pace, Carol Migacz and Travis Scarborough.

Happy birthday to the following:

Bill Wohlford	11/19	Donna Crane	11/22
Steve Hansell	11/20	John Mills	11/23
Becky Vestal	11/21		

Happy anniversary to the following:

Terry & Coleman Brydon	11/25
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Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children’s Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **The Confirmation Class** will meet **today** at **11:30 AM**.
- ❖ **Poinsettia orders will be accepted from November 19 – December 10.** Our final count is due to our vendor by **December 11**. The price per plant is \$12. Order forms and envelopes are on the table under the bulletin board in Denny Hall. Please indicate the number of plants you would like to order on the form. Also indicate if the order is in memory/in honor of someone. Finally, indicate if you want to pick up or donate your plants. Make your check payable to “Manakin Episcopal Church” and write “poinsettias” on the memo line.
- ❖ **Tuesday Bible Study** will meet **Tuesday, November 21, at 9:30 AM**. Join Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.
- ❖ **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 scspta@aol.com or 804-677-5985.
- ❖ **Men’s Bible Study – Wednesday, November 22, 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.
- ❖ **The church office will be closed Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24** in observance of Thanksgiving. If you have a pastoral emergency, contact Gini+.
- ❖ **Shelter Feeding Program: Saturday, November 25, at 9 AM** in Denny Hall. We will be packing lunches for four homeless shelters. Many hands make it go quickly! This is our final feeding for 2023. Please sign up or contact Betsy.moore5@icloud.com / 804-405-7479 if you can help. Also let her know if you can help with delivery.
- ❖ **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.

- ❖ **Christmas Families:** This year, during Advent, we were given a wonderful outreach opportunity to help three families within the Powhatan community by supporting the Powhatan County Christmas Mother Adoption Program. We have adopted three families who have shared items that will help make this season a joyous one. On **Sunday, December 3**, we are asking families to come together to shop for 4 children. Plan on leaving church at 11:30 AM and meeting at the Westchester Commons Target. Each family will be given a list of items needed for a 9-month-old named Elias, Leah, 7 years old, Preston, 6 years old, and Gabe, who is age 14. Our Outreach Committee has graciously agreed to fund our event, we just need Santa’s helpers to do the shopping!!! What better way can we share with our youth and children the importance of giving. Please email Marion at marion@manakin.org by **Monday, November 27** if your family will be participating and look forward to sharing this time with you all.
- ❖ **Men of the Church Breakfast - Saturday, December 9, at 8 AM in Denny Hall.** Our speaker will be two U.S. Marines discussing the Marine Reserve “Toys For Tots” Program. The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve collects unwrapped toys at this time of year and distributes them to needy children in the community. The Marines would be happy to take any unwrapped new or slightly used toys you may wish to donate at the breakfast meeting. Please plan to attend this unique breakfast program, and of course enjoy a great breakfast!
- ❖ **Toys for Tots** will be collected in Denny Hall until **Saturday, December 9**. Please brighten Christmas for a child in need by donating an **unwrapped** new or like new toy. Thank you for your support!
- ❖ **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 are beef and chicken soups and pop tarts. 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>

25th Pentecost

The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*Amen.*

Old Testament: Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, “The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, ‘Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin’s army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.’”

The Psalm

Psalm 123

Ad te levavi oculos meos

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, “It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

The Closing Hymn #598 – Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam’st To Earth



1 Lord Christ, when first thou cam’st to earth, up - on a cross they
2 O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de -
3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re -
4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -



bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then
nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom
fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war
a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,



by thorns with which they crowned thee: and still our wrongs
the powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone
we per - ish as we lose thee? From old un - faith
we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -




may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that
was left on stone, and all those na - tions’
our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom
umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -



stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round thee.
pride, o’er-thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!
of thy peace, by which a - lone we choose thee.
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.


Sequence Hymn #296 – We Know That Christ Was Raised



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
The Fa - ther’s splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em-braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold;
Re-born we share with him an Eas - ter life
The Spi - rit’s pow - er shakes the Church of God.
as Christ’s new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem-bers of a liv - ing Christ. Al - le -
Bap-tized we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Communion Hymn #336 – Come With Us O Blessed Jesus



1 Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er -
*2 Come with us, O might - y Sa - vior, God from God, and
*3 Come with us, O King of glo - ry, by an - gel - ic



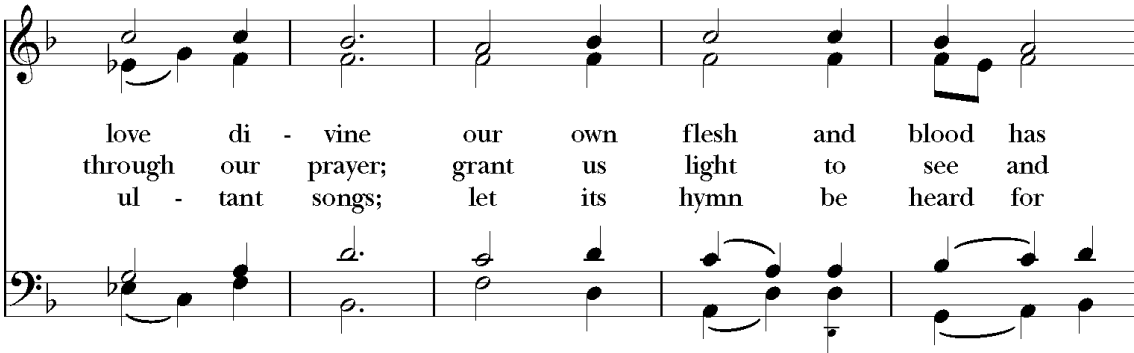
more to be; and though leav - ing now thine
Light from Light; thou art God, thy glo - ry
voic - es praised; in our hearts as in thy



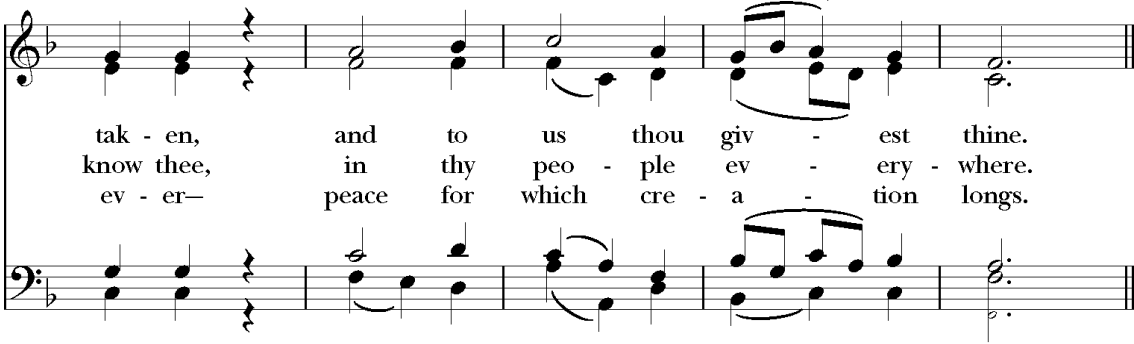
al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee.
veil - ing, so that we may bear the sight.
hea - ven, be en - rap - tured an - thems raised.



Be thou one with us for ev - er, in our life thy
Now we go to seek and serve thee, through our work as
Let the might - y cho - rus ev - er sing its glad ex -



love di - vine our own flesh and blood has
through our prayer; grant us light and see and
ul - tant songs; let its hymn be heard for



tak - en, and to us thou giv - est thine.
know thee, in thy peo - ple ev - ery - where.
ev - er— peace for which cre - a - tion longs.

Recessional Hymn #561 – Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus

1 Stand up, stand up, for Je - sus, ye sold - iers of the cross;
2 Stand up, stand up, for Je - sus; the trum - pet call o - bey;
3 Stand up, stand up, for Je - sus; stand in his strength a - lone;
4 Stand up, stand up, for Je - sus: the strife will not be long:

lift high his roy - al ban - ner, it must not suf - fer loss:
forth to the might - y con - flict in this his glo - rious day:
the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own:
this day, the noise of bat - tle; the next, the vic - tor's song.

from vic - tory un - to vic - tory his ar - my shall he lead,
ye that are his now serve him a - gainst un - num - bered foes;
put on the Gos - pel ar - mor, and watch - ing un - to prayer,
To val - iant hearts tri - um - phant, a crown of life shall be;

till ev - ery foe is van - quished and Christ is Lord in - deed.
let cour - age rise with dan - ger, and strength to strength op - pose.
when du - ty calls, or dan - ger, be nev - er want - ing there.
they with the King of glo - ry shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a common time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a strong emphasis on the lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic foundation.