

The First Sunday Of Advent
December 1, 2024
10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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

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The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Sentence

All that we are and all that we have comes from you Lord God. We offer back the best of what is yours in thanksgiving. (1Chronicles 29:14)

The Anthem: Let All Things Now Living	Katherine K. Davis
Presentation of Offerings	
The Doxology – Hymn #43 vs.4	
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Commissioning Prayer for Eucharistic Ministers	
Celebrant:	Receive these Holy gifts of our Lord's Body and Blood. On behalf of the Household of Manakin, I send you and your team forth bearing these Holy gifts to our brothers and sisters at Spring Arbor so that they may experience with us the majesty and mystery of His presence through the sharing of this Blessed Sacrament. May you carry the prayers of all of us.
People:	We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.
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Please save your conversations until you exit the church to be respectful of those listening to the Postlude.

Healing prayers will be offered at the altar railing following the service.

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Terry and Tom Hood in honor of their 43rd wedding anniversary.

We welcome all family and friends and invite you to join us in Denny Hall after the service for a time of fellowship.



Receiving Holy Communion

The Holy Eucharist is the sacrament commanded by Christ for the continual remembrance of his life, death, and resurrection, until his coming again. (BCP p. 859) We are eager to share this remembrance with you. God welcomes you to receive His body and blood for forgiveness of our sins, and to be strengthened in our relationship with Christ and one another.

- † At the appropriate time, people in your pew will come forward to the altar railing. We will begin on the left side facing the altar with the first pew. Please proceed forward on the right side of the aisle, returning on the left side.
- † Please fill the altar railing in from the right side to the left.
- † Once you have arrived at the altar, you may stand or kneel to receive. Both hands, with one hand supporting the other are put forth.
- † The sacramental bread (wafer) will be placed in your hands with words such as “The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.” A response is not necessary, but some may say “Amen”.
- † The chalice will be offered to those who have consumed the bread. Please help the Chalicist by placing your hand on the base of the cup to take a sip of the wine.
- † If you wish to intinct the bread, please hold it up and the Chalicist will pass you and a bowl for intinction will be offered. Please do not intinct in the common chalice from which others drink.
- † After you have received, it is customary to wait until the person next to you has received before returning to your seat. You do not need to wait for all at the railing to receive before returning.
- † When you return to your seat, you may kneel or sit in prayer and reflection of the wonderful gift that you have just received. Please join in singing of the communion hymns.

If for any reason you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. At the altar railing cross your arms over your chest signifying that you are there to receive a blessing only.

OFFICIANT – The Rev. Gini DiStanislaio

LAY READERS – Brent Rawlings & Betsy Moore

ALTAR GUILD – Sue Daniels, Liz Lee, Judy Martin, Sewell McLeod, Valerie Riviere

MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen

TELLER – Roy McLeod

COFFEE HOUR – Martha Steger & Pat duPont

NURSERY TEAM – Jenny Karluk & Marrica Hazelwood

USHER – Hank Schepker

VIDEO STREAMING TEAM – Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Brent Deekens

When you pray, please remember the following church members:

Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Nancy & Tom Dawson, Janet Showalter, Lucy & John Goode, Wally Groom, Jay Fiedler, Larry Rock, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Kay Hansell, Nancy Aasen and Kathleen Willey.

When you pray, please remember the following family & friends:

Graham Lighthiser, Peggy Lighthiser, Eddie Oliver, Grady Hebert, Peggy Loeper, Dennis McArdle, Katie McFadden, Davis Spain, Glenn Webster, Scott Kirby, Carol Perenzin, Dawn McAnanaey, Jan, Barbara Akers, Barry Akers, Don Akers, Polly Akers, Brent Hodges, Ed Mulreany, Karl Grotos, Christy Darlington, Brian, Jacob, David, Connie Rosenbaum, Tammy Smiley, Barbara Anderson, Ann Smith, Laura, Chip, Mary Ann Harlan, Wesley Ball, Megan Loving, Lou Roeder, Dave Woods, George Holmes, Telly Noble, Lawrence Mitchell, Wyatt Nickle, Doug Reed, John DiFiglio, Doug Barnes, Rita Gilpin, Connie Smiley, Dee Dee Mitchell, Timmy Akers and Aaron Spicer.

Happy Birthday to the following:

Conrad Aasen	12/3	Margaret King	12/6
Rita Gulliksen	12/5	Jeanne Hughes	12/7
Annabel Schepker	12/5		

Happy Anniversary to the following:

Terry & Tom Hood	12/5
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Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children’s Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Sit, Stitch and Craft Night: Monday, December 2, at 5 PM.** Bring any type of needlework, drawing, beading or handcraft to enjoy while socializing. Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share but it is not essential. We welcome visitors too. Bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship.
- ❖ **Tuesday Bible Study** will meet **Tuesday, December 3, 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, December 4, 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.

- ❖ **Poinsettias:** We are accepting orders for Christmas poinsettias **now through December 5**. The price per plant is \$13. Please write your check to Manakin Episcopal Church and include the word “poinsettia” in the memo section. Please submit your checks by the deadline. **Late orders and payments will not be accepted.**
- ❖ **Choir Practice: The Chancel Choir (adults)** rehearsals **Thursday, at 7:30 PM**. We need more singers. Please consider joining the choir! If you would like to join the choir, call Rita Gulliksen (804) 272-0505.
- ❖ **First Fridays Fellowship: Friday, December 6 from 5:30—7 PM** in Denny Hall. **Host(s) needed!** Please bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share. Everyone is invited to attend.
- ❖ **EYC Pizza Party: Friday, December 6, from 5:30—7 PM.** Please join Nicole for pizza and Chrismon Tree decorating.
- ❖ **Vestry Meeting: Sunday, December 8** in the parlor following fellowship time.
- ❖ **EFM will meet on Monday, December 9, at 7 PM.**
- ❖ **Men of the Church Breakfast Meeting: Saturday, December 14, at 8 AM.** The program will be “Christmas Traditions: Background and History” presented by Don Marsh. Don will discuss where many of the Christmas traditions we observe during the Holidays originated. Come enjoy a hearty breakfast and learn why Christmastime has such wonderful traditions.
- ❖ **Mark your calendars now! Manakin Episcopal Church’s 325th Anniversary Pilgrimage to England and France – August 4-13, 2025.** Please see the brochure in Denny Hall for more information or contact Elisabet Goodwyn at elisabet@agrotours.com or 804-378-3332.
- ❖ **Book Club:** The next Manakin Book Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 7 PM via Zoom**. We will be discussing The Women by Kristen Hannah, a novel set during the Vietnam War. If you are not a regular Book Club attendee and would like to join us, please contact Terry Hood to add your name to the Zoom invitation list. You’ll also need to download the Zoom application to the electronic device of your choice prior to the meeting. Contact Terry at: thhood@hotmail.com or 804-418-9372.
- ❖ **Greeters Needed:** Please consider joining the Greeter team. Greeters are needed for the weekly services as well as for special services and events. Please contact Penny Sawyer at pennyhsawyer@gmail.com, 804-651-7858, or Christine Charbonneau at cpcharbo@gmail.com, 804-306-1351. We will also have a sign-up in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Backpacks Of Love:** We will be helping Backpacks of Love by collecting snacks such as fruit cups, applesauce cups, Go Go squeeze applesauce, snack crackers packets 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 1st & 3rd Fridays 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 chili with beans, scallop or au gratin potatoes, beef stew, Brunswick stew and brownie mix. If anyone has paper bags from grocery shopping, please add them to the bin. We would also appreciate drivers to deliver the food in the right bin to The Pantry on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays between 9-12 AM. Please send Betsy an email if you can assist with this. Betsy.moore5@icloud.com 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!
- ❖ **Parking Lot Repair and Denny Hall West Entrance:** Currently our parking lot and Denny Hall entrance are under repair with improvements forthcoming. The Denny Hall entrance improvements will not be a handicap accessible entrance but will include added slopes and sidewalks for easier mobility. We will also install a new door for the entrance in the near future. Our handicap access will remain at the Talley Galley entrance. Please note that parking may be hindered during this time and follow all notices that will be posted. If visiting the church for business or drop off, you may want to call the church office in advance to find out the status for the day. The church staff will be happy to meet you in the additional parking area in front of the church for pick up or deliveries. Thank you for your patience during this time as we make these improvements.

Advent and Christmas Offerings at Manakin Episcopal Church

December 6 – 5 PM – First Fridays & Youth Pizza Party

December 14 – 8 AM – Men of the Church Breakfast Meeting. The program will be “Christmas Traditions: Background and History” presented by Don Marsh.

December 15 – 10 AM – Advent Lessons and Carols. This is a wonderful way to prepare for the coming of the Messiah. It is a welcome respite from the frantic Christmas preparations of December. Bring your friends and neighbors!

December 22 – 10 AM – Christmas Pageant and Parish Christmas Party following with a visit from St. Nicholas!

December 24 – 4 PM – Special Christmas Music (live stream)

4:30 PM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II – nursery provided (live stream)

7 PM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

1st Advent

The Collect

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Psalm

Psalm 25:1-9

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Processional Hymn #61 – Sleepers, Wake!

1 "Sleep-ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her
 3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
 ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

Sequence Hymn #74 – Blest Be The King Whose Coming

1 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 2 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 3 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 4 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of

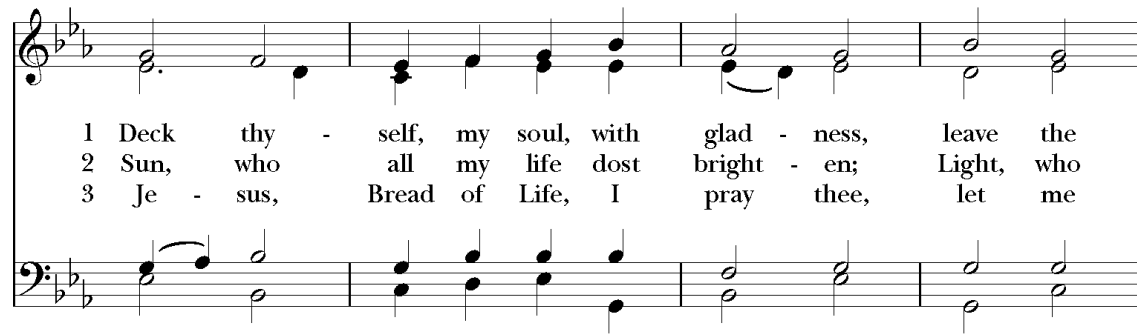
God! For him let doors be o - pened, no hearts a - gainst him
 God! By those who tru - ly lis - ten his voice is tru - ly
 God! He on - ly to the hum - ble re - veals the face of
 God! He of - fers to the bur - dened the rest and grace they

barred! Not robed in roy - al splen - dor, in
 heard; pi - ty the proud and haugh - ty, who
 God. All power is his, all glo - ry! All
 need. Gen - tle is he and hum - ble! And

power and pomp, comes he; but clad as are the
 have not learned to heed the Christ who is the
 things are in his hand, all a - ges and all
 light his yoke shall be, for he would have us

poor - est, such his hu - mil - i - ty!
 Prom - ise, who has a - tone - ment made.
 peo - ples, till time it - self shall end!
 bear it so he can make us free!

Communion Hymn #339 - Deck Thyself, My Soul



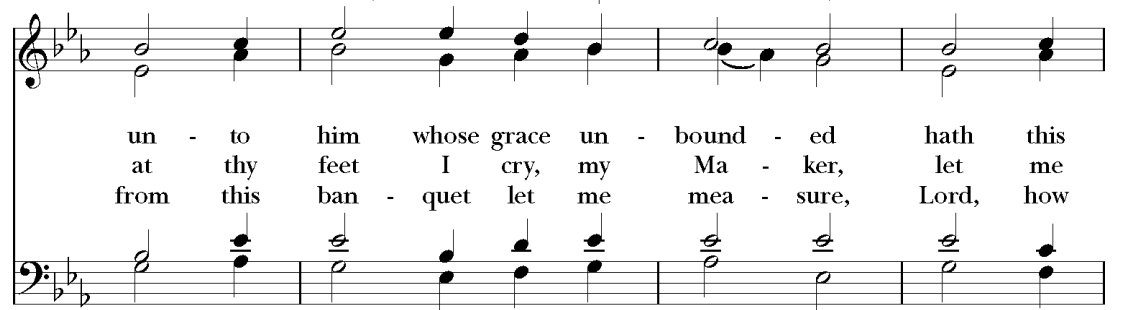
1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me



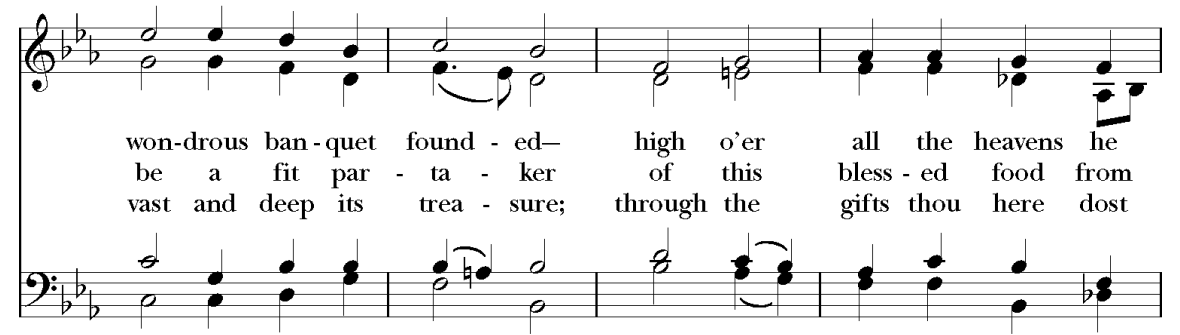
gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -



splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;



un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how



won - drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost



reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Communion Hymn #615 – Thy Kingdom Come

1 “Thy king - dom come!” on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
 2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
 3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;

1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
 2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
 3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:
 4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
 5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

Closing Hymn #616 - Hail To The Lord's Anointed

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth;
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.