

The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 7, 2025
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.

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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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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 Martha Steger in thanksgiving for the educators on all levels.

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

- OFFICIANT – The Rev. Gini DiStanislao
- LAY READERS – Terry Brydon & Angela Park
- ACOLYTE – Libby Hott
- ALTAR GUILD – Sue Daniels, Liz Lee, Judy Martin, Sewell McLeod, Valerie Riviere
- GREETER – Martha Redstrom-Plourd
- MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen
- TELLER – Roy Mcleod
- COFFEE HOUR – in Denny Hall
- NURSERY – Jenny Karluk
- USHER – Drew DiStanislao
- VIDEO STREAMING TEAM – Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Brent Deekens

When you pray, please remember the following church members:

Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Nancy Dawson, Janet Showalter, Lucy & John Goode, Wally Groom, Jay Fiedler, Larry Rock, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Nancy & Connie Aasen, Kathleen Willey, Angela Park, John Mills, Lou Suthard, Bill Moore and Ronnie Rice.

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

Graham Lighthiser, Peggy Lighthiser, Grady Hebert, Dennis McArdle, Katie McFadden, Davis Spain, Scott Kirby, Carol Perenzin, Dawn McAnanaey, Jan, Barbara Akers, Barry Akers, Brent Hodges, Ed Mulreany, Karl Grotos, Christy Darlington, Brian, Connie Rosenbaum, Tammy Smiley, Barbara Anderson, Ann Smith, Laura, Chip, Mary Ann Harlan, Wesley Ball, Lou Roeder, Dave Woods, George Holmes, Telly Noble, Wyatt Nickle, John DiFiglo, Doug Barnes, Rita Gilpin, Connie Smiley, Dee Dee Mitchell, Timmy Akers, Aaron Spicer, Chip Isbell, Glenn Webster, Martey Longmire, Caren Fields, Kim McFadden, Bob McCall, Bill Jines, Frank Morton, Joelle Cosby, Paul Bubenshik, Sandra Barkey, Melissa Esmee Fields, Thomas Murrell, Dennis & Blair Nickle, Penny & Jeff Strack, Suzanne Silek, Robert Keep, RJ Redstrom, Ron Hodges and Pat Akers.

Happy Birthday to the following:

Jack Gates	9/7	Vivian Bagby	9/10
Susan Seaver	9/8	Marji Rawlings	9/11
Rhys Barta	9/9	Bill Deekens	9/12
Elisabet Goodwyn	9/9	Jack Edwards	9/12
Jean Hillsman	9/9	Will Moore	9/12
Marion Pace Sykes	9/9	Linda Doggett	9/13

Happy Anniversary to the following

Jessi & Chris Briere	9/10	Judy & David Martin	9/13
CC & Will Moore	9/11		

Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children’s Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **EFM: Monday, September 8,** at 7 PM in the parlor.
- ❖ **Sit & Stitch Craft Night: Monday, September 8,** 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.
- ❖ **Women’s Bible Study** will meet **Tuesday, September 9,** at 9:30 AM. Join Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.

- ❖ **Manakin Book Club** will have its first book discussion of our 2025 - 2026 Reading Year on **Tuesday, September 9,** at 5 PM in the Church Parlor. We will discuss The Guest List by Lucy Foley; a murder mystery set during a wedding on an island off the coast of Ireland. Newcomers welcome!" For more information contact Terry Hood at 804-418-9372 or thhood@hotmail.com
- ❖ **Men’s Bible Study: Wednesday, September 10,** 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.
- ❖ **Ladies’ Night Out: Wednesday, September 10,** at 5:30 PM at Palermo’s, Westchester. Please contact Beverly Whitley at beverlyrwhitley@gmail.com or cell phone: 804-499-0886 if you plan to attend.
- ❖ **Men of the Church: Saturday, September 13,** at 8 AM. This will be a leisurely breakfast followed by a discussion led by our own Tom Hillsman, Manakin Stew Master. Tom will talk about the Brunswick Stew Event (**October 12 & 13**), his experiences and insights over the years he has been the Stew Master and answer any questions you may have about this year’s stew preparation and sale in October. Please bring a friend and come out for the fellowship, the presentation, and of course the great breakfast!
- ❖ **Family Forum: Sunday, September 14,** at 9 AM. Our guest speaker will be Katie Harrison. She will be discussing ways that we can “Make a Habit of Faith”. There will be activities for everyone, so bring the whole family!
- ❖ **Vestry Meeting: Sunday, September 14** following fellowship time.
- ❖ **Monroe made Eagle!** You are cordially invited to attend Monroe Harrison’s Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony on **Sunday, September 14,** at 2 PM. **Please RSVP to Katie Harrison at 804-690-9675 if you plan to attend.**
- ❖ **October Messenger deadline** is **Monday, September 15.** Please have all articles in by this date. Thank you!
- ❖ **Youth Group:** We are kicking off the new school year with a new plan for youth group! We will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month after church. Make sure you join us on **September 21, at noon** and **BRING YOUR FRIENDS!** We’ll play games, do crafts, and plan for the year. If you have any questions, please reach out to Katie Harrison for more information.
- ❖ **Manakin Homecoming: Sunday, October 5** – Invite friends old and new to join us for our 325th Anniversary Homecoming. Parish cookout and picnic will follow the 10 AM service.
- ❖ **Save the Date: Manakin Church Bazaar - November 22,** from 10 AM - 3 PM in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Save the Date: Founders Day, Sunday, December 7.** Please join us as we celebrate the 325th Anniversary of Manakin Episcopal Church. The Rt. Rev. Susan Haynes, officiating with special guests from our community.

- ❖ **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.
- ❖ **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. We will start back in September. If you have any questions, contact Penny Sawyer at 804-651-7858.
- ❖ **Food Donations:** We continue to accept donations for the Powhatan Food Pantry. The collection bins are at the Denny Hall entrance. They appreciate all donations of nonperishable food items. Current needs are **canned items: butter beans, carrots, potatoes, sliced beets, collard greens and peaches; dry goods needed: coffee, Ramen noodles, lima beans, black eyed peas, Navy beans, grits and dog food.** 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!
- ❖ **As shared by Dr. Don Marsh:** The influenza vaccine season will begin soon. It’s important to get your flu shot **in late September or during the month of October**; this provides immunization through the months of February and March, when the flu is prevalent. Any questions about the flu shot, talk to a healthcare provider (physician, pharmacist, nurse/nurse practitioner).

13th Pentecost

The Collect

Contemporary

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Traditional

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Psalm

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

Domine, probasti

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.

- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

The Epistle: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both

in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Processional Hymn #372 – Praise To The Living God

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Sequence Hymn #635 – If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee

Unison or harmony

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

Communion Hymn #302 – Father, We Thank Thee



1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with-
 2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,

in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy
 guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -

Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,
 formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,

didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the
 was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy

Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.
 Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

Communion Hymn #9 – Not Here For High And Holy Things



*1 Not here for high and ho - ly things we ren - der thanks to
 *2 the ro - yal robes of au - tumn moors, the gold - en gates of
 *3 of faith and hope and love un - dimmed, un - dy - ing still through
 4 A - wake, a - wake to love and work! The lark is in the
 5 Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of
 6 to give and give, and give a - gain, what God hath giv - en

1 thee, but for the com - mon things of earth, the
 2 spring, the vel - vet of soft sum - mer nights, the
 3 death, the re - sur - rec - tion of the world, what
 4 sky, the fields are wet with dia - mond dew, the
 5 praise; see how the gi - ant sun soars up, great
 6 thee; to spend thy - self nor count the cost; to

1 pur - ple pa - gean - try of dawn - ing and of
 2 sil - ver glis - te - ring of all the mil - lion
 3 time there comes the breath of dawn that rus - tles
 4 worlds a - wake to cry their bles - sings on the
 5 lord of years and days! So let the love of
 6 serve right glo - rious - ly the God who gave all

1 dy - ing days, the splen - dor of the sea,
 2 mil - lion stars, the si - lent song they sing,
 3 through the trees, and that clear voice that saith:
 4 Lord of life, as he goes meek - ly by.
 5 Je - sus come and set thy soul a - blaze,
 6 worlds that are, and all that are to be.

Closing Hymn #594 - God Of Grace And God Of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise;
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour,
days,
goal,
dore,
for the fac - ing of this hour,
for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

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