TUCKAHOE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Called by God to be
the heart, voice, hands, and feet of Christ
where the Spirit leads us.

10:30AM, NOVEMBER 8, 2026 **SCOTTISH HERITAGE SUNDAY**

**Indicates please stand as you are able.*
***Bold** text is read in unison.*

Friendship Pad | We invite everyone to sign in using the Friendship Pad located at the end of each pew. Feel free to add as much information as you would like and pass the pad down your row. This is something everyone, including regulars, signs each week.

Visitors | If you're visiting and would like to learn more about the church, please fill out a **visitor card** in the pew cardholder. You can also sign up for our e-newsletter, which is the best way to stay current on ways to get involved. Once completed, place your card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Childcare for children four and under is available in the nursery, located in Room 104. You can ask an usher where to go. We also have **children's bulletins** and crayons in the hallway.

Livestream | If you need to step out, you can follow the service via **livestream in The Commons.** Ushers can guide you. There are also several toys for children to play with in this space.

Hearing Assistance | Our sound system lets you **connect your Bluetooth-enabled hearing aids** directly to it. Using the "**WaveCAST"** app, you can sync with the broadcast while connected to the "TuckahoeALS" Wi-Fi. Scan the QR Code for detailed instructions.

*There are **large print** versions of all the hymns located in the Narthex, as well as large print Bibles in most pews.*

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC AND CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

PRELUDE "Suo Gon" Anonymous

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
From a prayer by John Knox (d. 1572), founder of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian)

O Lord, strengthen our faith;
kindle it more in eagerness and love toward you, and our neighbors, for your sake.
Suffer us not to receive your word in vain any longer;
but grant us always the assistance of your grace and Holy Spirit,
that in heart, word, and deed, we may sanctify and worship your name.
Help us to amplify and increase your kingdom;
that whatever may come our way, we may be content with your good pleasure and will.
Let us not lack the thing without which we cannot serve you;
but so bless all the works of our hands
that we may have what we need to be helpful and not hurtful unto others.
Let us worship God together today.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" No. 12
Composed by the Rev. Dr. Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908),
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From the Book of Common Order of the Church of Scotland

Merciful God, we humble ourselves in Thy presence, confessing our unworthiness and sinfulness in Thy sight. We have broken Thy holy law. We have not sought first Thy kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves or done to others as we would that they should do to us. **Forgive us, we beseech Thee, cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us, through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

…continuing in Silent Prayer…

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORY TO GOD**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

ANTHEM "A Scottish Blessing" Blackwell

We invite all children and their families to come forward to the baptismal font for the baptism.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – *Elliott David Miller, son of Alex and Robbie Miller, brother of Oliver Miller, grandson of Pat and Paul Miller and Serena and in loving memory of Elliott's namesake, his Papa, David Jones.*

THE PRESENTATION

COVENANT PROMISES

Questions to the congregation:

Congregation, do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Elliott by word and deed, with love and prayers?

CONGREGATION: We do.

Will you encourage him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of the church?

CONGREGATION: We will.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The liturgy continues…

… with the whole church, let us confess our faith:

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER WATER

THE BAPTISM

WELCOME

*We invite you to join in singing **Hymn #482** "Baptized in Water" as the family processes.*

We invite children ages 4-11 to attend our "Little Lights" Bible study in Room 100. We ask parents to please meet their children following worship. Our church nursery is located down the hall in Room 104 for children under four. Our ushers can guide you to either location if needed.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING II Chronicles 34:14-21 pg. 417

This is the Word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Pulpit **SECOND READING** Matthew 5:13-16 pg. 4

This is the Word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC "Amazing Grace" Newton

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – FROM THE SCOTS CONFESSION OF 1560**

The Scots Confession of 1560 is a 25-chapter Reformed Christian statement of faith drafted in just four days by John Knox and five colleagues (known as the "Six Johns") at the request of the Parliament of Scotland. It served as the foundational creed of the Church of Scotland until it was superseded by the Westminster Confession in 1647.

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, in whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, the Holy Ghost, by whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by God's providence for such end as God's eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of God's glory. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg. 35)

*If you have **prayer requests,** you can list them on the prayer cards tucked in the cover of the friendship pads. Please place the completed card in the prayer box in the Narthex or email requests directly to Pastor Keli. Please let Keli know if you would like to share your prayer with the congregation or to keep it confidential.*

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, AND OUR OFFERINGS

***The Offering plates** are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary, in the Narthex. As you enter or exit the Sanctuary, you may place your offering in the plate. You may also give online through the website using the QR code. Thank you for your faithful giving.*

***DOXOLOGY** No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All that we have is a gift from you. Lord, bless these gifts and inspire us to use them in ways that transform and enliven your people. May they be a blessing to those who need them most. Amen.

WE GO TO LOVE AND SERVE THE WORLD

***HYMN** "Will You Come and Follow Me" vv. 1, 4, 5 No. 726

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" Tomer/Rankin

***POSTLUDE** "Highland Cathedral" Roever and Korb

During the postlude, we invite you to move to Duntreath Hall to join us for fellowship time.

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Liturgy adapted from the Book of Common Worship and the Montreat Scottish Society 42nd Kirkin' O' the Tartan and used with permission.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper, *Pastor;* Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg, *Parish Associate*; Jillian Gatewood, *Director of Christian Formation;* Dr. Pamela James, *Director of* Music; Sarah Cothern, *Organist/Accompanist*; Skip Choate, *Bagpiper;* Barbie Keatts, *Liturgist;* Claire Robinson, *Livestream and Sound Operator*

The flowers are given by Pat and Paul Miller and Serena Jones to the glory of God and to celebrate the baptism of Elliott David Miller.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

Sign up to host Fellowship After Church one Sunday! The Fellowship Committee has made the process very simple, and you can use snacks from the pantry. Scan the QR code or sign up at the bottom of the homepage. Questions? Contact Jeanne Webster.

There are Sign-Up Calendars for Flower Dedications available online for 2027. You can find the link at the bottom of our website homepage. Questions? Contact the office: office@tuckahoepres.org.

As Tuckahoe prepares for its 75th anniversary celebration next year, this weekly feature provides a brief look at dates and facts related to the church's history. *Did you know that…* **Tuckahoe Torch, the church newsletter, first published in April 1955, declared in its first issue, "Just one purpose—to help all of us know more about Tuckahoe's work for the kingdom of Christ"?**

Share your Tuckahoe Presbyterian Story! As we prepare to celebrate 75 years of Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church, help us tell our story! Share a short reflection (1–3 paragraphs) about when you joined, a favorite memory, and what this community means to you, along with 1–3 photos that capture your Tuckahoe experience! **Please sign up to participate using the QR code, where you will find the Friday due date for each slot.** Stories will be published to e-news and/or social media the following week. Submit your story (and photos) to office@tuckahoepres.org. *Please let us know if you'd prefer to opt out of social media sharing. Submissions may be lightly edited for length or clarity.*

Thanks to all of you who chose a tag from the Wish Tree in Duntreath on Sunday. **For those who might have selected a tag but forgotten to sign your name beside the wish number on the sign-up sheet, please do so.** While supplies last, tags will be available through November 22. Your contributions will help bring Christmas joy to children (and a few adults) experiencing homelessness. All are currently enrolled in programs sponsored by Housing Families First. *Call Pat Miller at 804.380.6688 if you have questions.*

Special Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott | Sunday, November 15, 9:00–10:15am. Join us as we welcome the Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott, Editor and Publisher of *The Presbyterian Outlook*, for a special presentation, **"Beyond the Pew: Presbyterians, Belonging, and the Changing American Religious Landscape."** Teri will explore how religious participation and belonging are changing in America, what these shifts mean for the Presbyterian Church, and how we can creatively engage new generations and communities. This presentation will take place during Adult Sunday School, but **everyone is warmly invited and encouraged to attend**!

Come and enjoy **Tuckahoe's annual Friendsgiving Feast** on **Sunday, November 15,** immediately following worship in Duntreath Hall! As Thanksgiving approaches, we invite you to gather around the table with friends, neighbors, and our church family for fellowship, gratitude, and good food. **Friendsgiving is an opportunity to slow down, share a meal, and celebrate the relationships that enrich our lives** and the blessings God has provided throughout the year. The Fellowship Committee will provide the turkey, ham, and beverages. To ensure a delicious variety, **you may sign up for a specific dish (like stuffing, vegetables, or pie), or choose to bring a favorite recipe of your own.** *Please prepare enough to serve 6–8 people and kindly note if your dish contains nuts.* Be sure to invite a friend to share our bounty. Scan the QR code to sign up! **Questions? Please contact Jeanne Webster.**

It's time once again to support the **Henrico Thanksgiving Food Box Project!** Each year, this effort provides Thanksgiving meals for families and individuals served by the Henrico Department of Social Services. Your gift of a food box can make it possible for a family to enjoy a holiday meal together. Consider partnering with your small group, family, or friends to donate a box. Flyers with item lists and group sign-up information are available in the Resource Center. **Please bring all food boxes to the Church Library by Thursday, November 19.**

Join us on **Sunday, November 22, at 5:30pm** for a simple, joyful evening as we illuminate our festive tree and switch on the Christmas lights around the church. There will be hot cocoa, hot cider, and Christmas music! Come as you are, bring family and friends, and help us welcome the season with warmth, fellowship, and a little sparkle. All are welcome!

The Nominating Committee is seeking recommendations for candidates for elders, deacons, and the nominating committee for terms beginning **April 1, 2027.** Scan the QR code to complete an online form. Printed copies can be found in the Resource Center (by the nametags). You may also send nomination names via email to office@tuckahoepres.org. **Please send nominations by Sunday, December 6.**