TUCKAHOE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

10:30AM, NOVEMBER 15, 2026 **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**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

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

PRELUDE "Grazioso" Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord has entrusted us with all that we are and all that we have.
Every breath is a gift, and every day is a trust.
God does not call us to bury our treasure in the dark.
God calls us to live boldly, love freely, and serve faithfully.
Come, you who are afraid, and you who are eager.
Come, you who are weary, and you who are ready.
Let us worship our God together today!

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 39

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and generous God, you have placed your gifts in our hands: our time, our talents, our resources, and our love. But we confess that we have been afraid. We have buried what you gave us beneath our worry, our excuses, and our need for safety. We have measured ourselves against others and decided that our gifts were too small to matter. Forgive us for the good we left undone and the gifts we left unused. Dig up what we have buried. Heal our fear with your love and teach us to trust your goodness. *…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.

***WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS, BRENDA AND PETE MACRAE**

ALL: Holy God, thank you for calling us to be your people and joining us to Christ's body, the church. We praise you for leading these new members to this congregation. Empower us by your Spirit, that we might love one another as Christ loved us, honoring him in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Lord. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

ANTHEM	"A Canon of Thanks"	Hopson
LITTLE LIGHTS SINGERS	"The Butterfly Song"	Howard
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES		Jillian Gatewood

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a brief message about our Scripture for the day. Following the message, the children will share **"The Butterfly Song,"** which they have been learning together! **All children are welcome to join in, even if they don't know the whole song.** Those who would rather not sing are welcome to remain seated and wait for their friends before heading to Little Lights. Afterward, children ages 4–11 are invited to attend **Little Lights** in **Room 100** for an engaging time of Bible stories, activities, and faith formation. We ask parents to please meet their children following worship. Our church **nursery** is located down the hall in **Room 104** for children four and under. Our ushers will be happy to guide you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, you speak to us through your Word, and you do not leave us to guess at your will. By your Holy Spirit, open our ears to hear, our minds to understand, and our hearts to receive what you say today. Through Christ, the living Word, we pray. Amen.

FIRST READING	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	pg. 205

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

SECOND READING	Matthew 25:14-30	pg. 28

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

SERMON	"Great Responsibility"	Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN**	"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"	No. 8

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – QUESTION 21 OF THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM**

The Heidelberg Catechism is a historic statement of Reformed Christian doctrine that is included in the Book of Confessions. Originally published in 1563 in Germany, it is a highly influential document designed to teach believers the fundamentals of the faith and provide personal spiritual comfort. -Adapted from PCUSA Website

Q. What is true faith? A. **True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace granted solely by Christ's merit. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. 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 No. 606

***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.*

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**

Generous God, all that we have comes from you, and now we return a portion to you with gladness. Receive these offerings of money, time, and talents, and multiply them beyond what we could ask or imagine. Amen.

WE GO TO LOVE AND SERVE THE WORLD

***HYMN**	"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"	No. 41
***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION | PRAYER FOR FRIENDSGIVING**		
***CHORAL BENEDICTION**	"God Be with You till We Meet Again"	Tomer/Rankin
***POSTLUDE**	"Te Deum"	Charpentier

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 PCUSA Book of Common Worship and the Connections Worship Companion for Year A.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper, *Pastor;* Jillian Gatewood, *Director of Christian Formation;*
Dr. Pamela James, *Director of* Music; Sarah Cothern, *Organist/Accompanist*;
Eric Johnson, *Liturgist;* Claire Robinson, *Livestream and Sound Operator*

The flowers are given by A.W., Pam, and Matthew Dickerson
to the glory of God in honor of Thanksgiving, as we remember our loved ones,
Edward Wrenn and Grace Harris Dickerson.

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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…***The motion to establish an Endowment Fund was adopted on June 20, 1982?**

Special Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott | Sunday, November 22, 9:00–10:15am. *Please note, this event has been rescheduled from November 15. We apologize for any inconvenience and hope you'll join us on this new date!* 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**!

Share your Tuckahoe Presbyterian Story! As we 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.** The dates reflect the Friday that the information is due. 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.*

Join us on **Sunday, November 22,** for Christ the King Sunday, the final Sunday of the church year. We will celebrate the reign of Christ and reflect on the liturgical year through Scripture and song. As the season turns, we will look back on the story we have walked through and look ahead with hope to what is coming as we prepare for the **first Sunday of Advent on November 29.**

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.**