

Bruton Parish
1674

Thanksgiving Eve

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

November 25, 2026

6:00 in the Evening in the Church (website)
(and live-streamed)

Prelude: Thanksgiving Suite — Charles Callahan

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Welcome & Announcements

Hymn 290 — *St. George's, Windsor*

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Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest-home:
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest-home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown:
first the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
grant, O harvest Lord, that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall in that day
all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
to thy final harvest-home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin;
there, for ever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels come,
raise the glorious harvest-home.

The Word of God

The Opening Acclamation — *BCP*, p. 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis *Hymnal S 280*
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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your

God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 291 *Wir flugen*

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We plow the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand;
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.

Refrain:
All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.

He only is the Maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the wind and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread. *[Refrain]*

We thank thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seedtime and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food:
the gifts we have to offer
are what thy love imparts,
but chiefly thou desirest
our humble, thankful hearts. *[Refrain]*

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having

enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 288 *Dix*

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Praise to God, immortal praise,
for the love that crowns our days;
bounteous source of every joy,
let thy praise our tongues employ:
all to thee, our God, we owe,
source whence all our blessings flow.

All the plenty summer pours;
autumn's rich o'erflowing stores;
flocks that whiten all the plain;
yellow sheaves of ripened grain:
Lord, for these our souls shall raise
grateful vows and solemn praise.

As thy prospering hand hath blessed,
may we give thee of our best;
and by deeds of kindly love
for thy mercies grateful prove;
singing thus through all our days
praise to God, immortal praise.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke..
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned

back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon — The Rev. Morgan Gardner

The Nicene Creed — *BCP*, p. 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving — *BCP*, p. 837

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,
We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,
We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing of the Food

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Now Thank We All Our God J. S. Bach, arr. Hal Hopson
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Presentation Hymn 380, v. 3 *Old 100th*
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B *BCP*, p. 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sanctus *Hymnal S 129*

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer *BCP*, p. 364

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread *BCP*, p. 364

Fraction Anthem *Hymnal S 155*

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Music During Communion: Prelude on *Kremser* Matthew Corl

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Hymn During Communion: 433 *Kremser*

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We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
sing praises to his Name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation:
thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Hymn during Communion: 416 *Lucerna Laudoniae*

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For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.

Refrain:
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light, *[Refrain]*

For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight, *[Refrain]*

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, *[Refrain]*

For the Church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
thy pure sacrifice of love, *[Refrain]*

For each perfect gift of thine
to the world so freely given,
faith and hope and love divine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven. *[Refrain]*

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Hymn 705 *Forest Green*

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As those of old their first fruits brought
of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good,
the source of bounteous yield;
so we today our first fruits bring,
the wealth of this good land,
of farm and market, shop and home,
of mind, and heart, and hand.

A world in need now summons us
to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering
to God that all may live;
the Church of Christ is calling us
to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love;
all life in Christ made new.

With gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause share thy love
with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself
in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

The Dismissal

Postlude: Now Thank We All Our God — Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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Participants

OT Reader	Leith Mullaly
NT Reader	Shara Kelly
Intercessor	Betty Delk
Chalicers	Susan Allen & Frank Babcock
Altar Guild	Libby Flowers & Kathy Mullins
Floral Guild	Joan Palmer, Alice Krebs, Anne Prosser
Ushers	Les & Michele Hoffman, Jeanne Fowle, Randy Hobbs, Alison Lennarz
A/V	Bill Dugge

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Henry M. Cochran and James M. Vaseleck
by Henry M. Cochran, III.

Prayer List

In your prayers this week, please remember persons for whom our prayers are asked, especially Alexander, Alice B., Arnold, Beverly, Bill K., Bill M., Byrne, Carter, Caulder, Chuck, Cliff, Dana, Daniel, Daryl, Dave, Dave G., Derek, Dick, Dick H., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Emalyn, Erica, Frederick, Gene, George, Harper, Hessy, Howard, Janet, Jean, Jeanne, Jeff, Jim, Joann, Joe, Joe J., John, Judith, Kate, Kathleen, Ken, Larry, Laura, Leslie, Leslie C., Liam, Linda, Marcia, Margaret, Mark, Mary, Pattee, Michael, Nick, Reginald, Rick, Rodham, Ronnie, Sam, Sharon, Steve, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tom, Will; for all caregivers; **those in service to our country,** especially Catherine Bean, Billy, Cameron Blount, Matt Bosworth, Michael Boyle, Ned Burgwyn, Matthew Burleson, Willard Burleson, Dane Butler, Mason Butler, Cameron Byrd, Justin Chalkley, Christopher Chavez, James Coffey, Jake Cooley, Andrew Cox, Charles Cox, Kyle Defibaugh, Patrick Diehl, Connor Diesing, Duane Diesing, Monte Dunard, Daniel Faughnan, Ryan Frantz, John Gaston, Abby Goetsch, Joshua Hays, Elizabeth Hindman, Rob Hodgson, Michael Holm, Jeff Hunter, Chip Huntsberry, Dane Jansson, Maddox Jurgensen, Jason Kelly, Charles Lewis, Thomas Lovegren, David L. McKinney, Michael H. Manson Jr., Patrick Menkhaus, Courtney Miyamasu, Katherine Miyamasu, Timothy Moffitt, Jordan Morgan, Phillip Morrison, Joshua Mullen, Logan O'Donnell, Spencer O'Donnell, Steven Paul Pearce, Donald Ernest Perkins III, Jeremy Provencher, Jonathan Rogers, Lauren Rogers, Trevor Rogers, Michelle Rose, Mike Rose, Conner S., Sean Garand, Jasper Smith, Carson Strassels, Ryan Suders, Jeanne Westbrook, Henry White, John Wilkes; and **we pray for the departed,** especially Patrick Tombs**.**

Announcements

Annual Giving: In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we give thanks for our many blessings and the gift of our church community. Your support and dedication to Bruton Parish make our shared mission of faith, love and service possible. Happy Thanksgiving!

Custis House Conversations, beginning November 29, 10:30am: Our fall Christian Formation series continues gathering between the 9:15am and 11:15am services in the Custis House. This week, the Rev. Bill Sachs begins a series on Anglican and Episcopal spiritual writers in the Advent season. Grab a cup of coffee, head across the street from the Church around 10:30am, and join the conversation!

Canterbury Advent Lessons & Carols, November 29, 5:30pm: All are welcome to join us in the church for our service of Advent Lessons & Carols! This is a yearly tradition where the community walks with expectation through Advent to "hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus." Come and join as our Canterbury students lead us in readings and congregational Advent hymns.

Handbell Choir Concert, December 1, 8pm: Our own Tarpley Ringers will offer a festive concert of Advent and Christmas music on December 1 at 8pm. Kick off the season with music and joy!

The Women's Theological Book Group, December 3, 3-4:30pm: The next meeting will be December 3 from 3-4:30pm for spiced tea and Christmas goodies. We invite each person to bring a 2 minute portion of a favorite Advent or Christmas story or poem and one suggestion of a book to read next year. For more info, or to be added to the group email list, please contact the Rev. Lauren McDonald (lmcdonald@brutonparish.org.)

Learning to Pray the Daily Office - Diocesan Advent Retreat at Chanco, December 4–5: Whether you are new to the Daily Office or already incorporate Morning and Evening Prayer into your spiritual life, this retreat will offer practical instruction, reflection, fellowship, and time for renewal. For more information, including the retreat schedule and registration details, visit chanco.org/event/advent-retreat-2026.

Coffee Shop Conversations, December 4, 10am: Join clergy Andy Ballentine and Steven Woolley Friday mornings at 10am at Column 15 Coffee in the James York Plaza on Merrimac Trail. How is God moving in your daily pilgrimage of faith? Through our conversations and community, we'll become companions for each other on the journey!

Support Canterbury Grand Illumination Concessions, December 5 & 12, 3-6:30pm: On Saturday, December 5 and 12, come purchase hot dogs, cookies, pretzels, and drinks during the first two weekends of this year's Grand Illumination. The fundraiser will be collecting money for Canterbury's Mission and Pilgrimage fund. Look for Canterburians at tables in front of the Gift Shop from 3-6:30pm. Donations of seasonal baked goods are also welcome; reach out to the Rev. Charlie Bauer to coordinate.

First Fridays Recovery Eucharist, December 4, 5:30pm: Join us in the church and live-streamed on Friday, December 4, at 5:30 p.m. SpiritWorks Foundation and Bruton Parish host this monthly service with prayers and readings that focus on helping people find ways to live faithfully in the midst of any kind of suffering. Join us in praying for those still struggling, mourning those we've lost, and celebrating with those experiencing recovery. All are welcome, whether or not you're in recovery. Contact the Rev. Lauren McDonald at lmcdonald@brutonparish.org for details or if you have any questions.

Bruton Singles Dinner, December 5, 6pm: Join us for a pre-Christmas gathering as we explore a new restaurant, Thai Tara Sushi & Bar, which has received a lot of praise for its excellent cuisine and atmosphere. It is located at 240 McLaw's Circle, # 117 near Starbucks, outside Kingsmill. Please RSVP directly to singles@brutonparish.org.

St. Nicholas visits Bruton, December 6, 9:15am service: Join us on Sunday, December 6 as we celebrate St. Nicholas Day at the 9:15am service. St. Nicholas will join us in church that morning during the service. We are excited to announce that by special arrangement, he will join us in the Parish House at 10:30am immediately following the church service. Come and bring the children to enjoy a visit with St. Nicholas and the opportunity to get a picture with the gentle bishop. Refreshments will be offered and all are welcome. Children's choir rehearsal will begin early that morning at 10:45am in anticipation of their singing on Sunday, December 13. If you have any questions, please reach out to Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org or (252) 347-7078.

Newcomers Corner, December 6, 10:15am: Join us in the churchyard or Custis House (weather dependent) for this month's Newcomers Corner which will be held on Sunday, December 6. This is a great opportunity to meet our clergy, vestry, and others of the parish. Those new to the parish are encouraged to come and learn about the many ministries at Bruton.

Poinsettias for the Christmas Altar, Due December 7: The deadline is Monday, December 7, for receiving the names to be included in the bulletin as a memorial, a thank offering, or in honor of someone special. Please make checks payable to Bruton Parish Church (with *Altar Guild* in the memo) and mail them to Dianne Spence at 102 Walnut Hills Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23185-3427. *Please do not send the checks to the church office* and be sure to include your telephone number on the correspondence and/or check. Contact Dianne directly at either dsspence@widomaker.com or 757-870-3154 or if you have any questions.

Salvation Army Angel Tree Tags, Due December 9: Angel Tree Tags are available at the Parish House in Christine Britton's office during the week and will be at church on Sundays until November 29. Purchased gifts must be returned *directly* to the Salvation Army located at 216 Ironbound Road no-later-than December 9.

Waiting with Mary, December 13, 4-5pm, church: During what is often a busy season, you are invited to spend a Sabbath hour listening to Advent-themed readings and harp music. Led by the Rev. Lauren McDonald and accompanied by Courtney Birkett, this program will provide a time of prayer and reflection as we wait with Mary for the coming of the Christ child.

Monthly Caregiver Group, December 16, noon, Coffee, Tea & Thee: Following the 11am healing Eucharist at the church, this group is for anyone caring for a loved one with a chronic illness or other condition. We will meet in the Coffee, Tea & Thee Room in the Parish House. Participants will have the opportunity to share about their experience and hear from others in similar circumstances in a circle of prayer and support. The group is facilitated by Betty Delk, John Fogarty, and the Rev. Lauren McDonald. Please join us to connect with others for strength, faith, and support. If you have any questions, contact Betty at elizabeth.delk@gmail.com.

The Greening of the Church, December 18 & 19, 8am: The Greening of the church will be held on December 18 and 19. We will be building wreaths at the Parish House starting at 8am on December 18, and then hanging the decorations on December 19 at 8am at the church. NO experience is required (please bring your clippers). Everyone is welcome – family, friends, anyone who wants to learn how to make a wreath – are welcome to join us and then enjoy your wreath hanging in the church throughout the Christmas season.

Bible Lectionary Study, Tuesdays, 9am: The Tuesday morning lectionary study group is held in the Coffee, Tea, and Thee room on the second floor of the Parish House. As a reminder, we begin promptly at 9am and end promptly at 10am. Participants arrive a little early to visit.

Bruton Gift Shop: In this season of Thanksgiving, we would especially like to express gratitude to the amazing women and men who volunteer in the shop sharing their time and talents with us. Without them the shop would not be the success that it is. They graciously welcome customers both to Williamsburg and to Bruton on the 359 days of the year that we are open. Our mission of providing funding for people in need is important to them. To our loyal parishioners and friends who support us and who donate to *Heavenly Treasures* and our other annual sales, we thank you. Remember that Advent starts on Sunday. A nice selection of Advent wreaths, candles, and calendars is available.

Friends of Bruton's purpose is to provide a way for individuals and families, who may live throughout the United States and indeed around the world, to participate in the preservation and promotion of the unique history and spiritual legacy of Bruton Parish Church. Friends of Bruton is open to all who share this vision. Become a Friend of Bruton and a Cornerstone Circle Member by visiting www.brutonparish.org/fobowc, where you can also read the current issue of *The Bruton Fount*, our periodic newsletter.

Mission & Outreach

Annual Loaves & Fishes Cookie Exchange, December 3, 10:30am: You are joyfully invited to The Loaves & Fishes Annual Cookie Exchange to be held on December 3 in Lewis Hall from 10:30am until noon. Everyone is welcome! Bring three dozen home- baked cookies, and take home the baked goods of others (all leftovers will be delivered to the Canterburians as exam snacks)!

The PAWS are available for pick up. What is a PAW? Every year during the holidays, Berkeley Middle School creates tags for students in need (similar to the Angel Tree Tags), but a PAW for the school's mascot. The PAW shares the age/gender of the student along with their needs and wants. Each year, the families are extra grateful for the love and support from our church community,

helping to allow for them to have a special holiday season. Please reach out to Meghan Brewer if you are interested; the instructions for how to package and where to drop off will be included with each PAW. They are due back to Meghan by December 11. Thank you for your consideration in taking a PAW!

New or Gently-Used Bruton Coat Drive (sizes adult small and up): If you are able to donate a new or gently-used coat for the season, please drop them off at the Parish House and leave them for Meghan Brewer. As the temperatures drop, donations will be accepted all season long. If you have questions, contact Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org).

Children & Youth Formation

Nursery for newborns through age four is available in the Parish House during the 9:15am and 11:15am services today. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org or (252) 347-7078.

Children's Programming will NOT be held this Sunday, as it is Thanksgiving weekend. Please rejoin us Sunday, December 6, when St. Nicholas will visit Bruton during the 9:15am service. Please bring new, unwrapped toys/books to the service. Then, come and bring the children to enjoy a visit with St. Nicholas and the opportunity to get a picture with the gentle bishop. Refreshments will be offered and all are welcome. Children's choir rehearsal will begin early that morning at 10:45am in anticipation of their singing on Sunday, December 13. Reach out to Meghan Brewer with any questions (mbrewer@brutonparish.org or (252) 347-7078).

College Care Packages, November 29: Our youth will be making college care packages soon for our Bruton college students, to let them know that we are thinking about them during exam time! If you have a college student that you would like a care package to be sent to, please let Meghan know by November 23. Also, you can contribute gift cards in denominations of $5, $10, $15, $20 to places like Chick-fil-A, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts etc. We would love the support to help make these packages extra special and fun. We will extend accepting gift cards for college care packages **through November 29**.

Advent Wreath-Making, December 2, 5:30pm: Join us in the Parish House on Wednesday, December 3, from 5:30-7pm, to include pizza. Please email Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org and let her know you'll be attending. If you have any extra greenery, you are welcome to bring some. Visit bit.ly/ADVENTWREATH2026 for more information about the Advent Wreath which will be created for the church.

Candlelight Concerts in the Church

Saturday, November 28 @ 8pm - Holiday Organ Recital
Rebecca Davy, Music Director & Organist at Bruton Parish

Tuesday, December 1 @ 8pm - Holiday Handbell Concert
Bruton Tarpley Ringers (Rebecca Davy, Director)

Thursday, December 3 @ 8pm - Holiday Chamber Music Concert
Richmond Clarinet Choir (Anne Coldiron, Director)

Friday, December 4 @ 8pm - Holiday Choral Concert
Rushingbrook Children's Choir from Greenville, SC (David Rasbach, Director)

Saturday, December 5 @ 8pm - Holiday Choral Concert
Choir from First United Methodist Church in Richmond (Carina Brackin, Director)

Historical Organ Recital @ 10am - W&M Wren Chapel

Thursday, December 3 - Norman Elton, Organist
Friday, December 4 - Thomas Marshall, Organist
Saturday, December 5 - Rebecca Davy, Organist

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