



Pohick Church, in Truro Parish, was completed in 1772, replacing an earlier eighteenth century frame church of the same name. It has been suggested that George Washington drew the south elevation as well as the plans for the church. However, its affinity to two other colonial churches in northern Virginia – Christ Church in Alexandria, and Christ Church in Falls Church, both attributed to John Wren – suggests that perhaps the same person designed all three. During the Civil War, Pohick Church sustained extensive damage to its interiors when Federal troops used it as a stable, and its exterior walls were used for target practice.

In addition to being a fine example of colonial architecture, notable for its stonework, Pohick Church is associated with the names of several leading colonial patriots. George Washington and George Mason attended Pohick Church and served on the vestry of Truro Parish; and along with George William Fairfax, served on the building committee. It is also said that the colorful Parson Weems preached here. In spite of extensive restoration and recent building, Pohick Church is particularly rich in historical associations, and is an excellent example of the colonial parish church in Virginia.



Pohick Episcopal Church

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