

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



January 15, 2023

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

January 15, 2023

Prelude

“Take My Life” ~ Tomlin/Giglio

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Unison*) *From Psalm 29*

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy array.

Prayer of Invocation

~ Liturgist

*The Peace of Christ

Leader: ...The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

*Opening Hymn

“O Worship the King”
Presbyterian Hymnal

#476

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior...

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of God's Pardon

~ Rev. Gary Howell

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Anthem

“Come Find Forgiveness and Love”

~ Besig/Price

— Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Rev. Gary Howell

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy array. ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, upon many waters. ⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful, the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars, the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon. ⁶ He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sir'ion like a young wild ox. ⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire. ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness, the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forests bare; and in his temple all cry, "Glory!" ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king for ever. ¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Acts 10:34-43 (RSV)

³⁴ And Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the word which he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses to all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him manifest; ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Sermon

"Is Public Worship of God Unimportant?" ~ Rev. Gary Howell

*Hymn of Response

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

#101

The Presbyterian Hymnal

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

*Declaration of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

*Gloria Patri

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.

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

"I Lift My Hands" ~ *Kempen*

*Doxology

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.

*Prayer of Dedication (*Unison*)

Loving God, you created the whole world and declared it good. You have poured out its blessings upon us so richly that we can barely take it in. As you have freely given, we gladly bring back to you a portion of your goodness that through the power of your Holy Spirit all of your children might know of your love for them in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to God's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Lord's 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.

Words of Institution

Communion

Prayer after Communion

*Closing Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

#376

Presbyterian Hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

“You Are Holy” ~ Imboten/Rhodon

*Please rise in body or spirit / **Bold:** Congregation Speaks

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Welcome!

to everyone who is worshiping with us today.

~ Today we welcome back Rev. Gary Howell to PPC ~

~ **Next Sunday, January 22nd** ~

~ ***The Rev. Dr. David D. McDonald will be filling the pulpit*** ~

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For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 49:1-7 and Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

Daily Readings for January 15 – 21 use the following web link:

<http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/devotions/month-month-lectionary-reading-list/>

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Prayer List Additions as of 01/08/2023

Various concerns of church members (Carol Mattocks); Going back to school- high stress week (Paul Miller); Eva Barwick, Dianne Bell's mother, had a very difficult week (Dianne Bell); Joanna Collins - cancer (Adam Ross); Ben Coulter – farming accident (Barbara Smith);



Ms. Julia Bender passed away early Monday morning, January 9th

Her memorial service will be Saturday, January 21st at 12 noon at the graveside at Pollocksville Cemetery. Jay Bender will be conducting the service.

Please keep Jimmy, Hilda and the entire Family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress. *These names will remain on this list for 3 weeks.*

For Joys and Concerns Please contact the church secretary by email

fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org or call 252-224-8181 with any joys, prayer requests or updates. Please include the name, the person requesting and the reason prayer is needed (if you wish this to be included). Please do the same for any joy. **It cannot be stressed enough that without your help in this, someone may get overlooked. Do not assume that we know if someone is in need of prayer.**



Your Help is Needed NOW!

If you would be willing to serve as an usher, please contact

John Bender at 252-675-8431 or email: jmbender1991@gmail.com today.

January Ushers: Diane McCaffity & Rebecca Long

February Ushers: Ron Pound & Vic Bryan

Announcements & Reminders

Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary & Streaming Live on Facebook & on PPC Website

Sundays at 9:45 am

Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!

Children's Sunday School at 11 am

Wednesdays

Monday, January 16th

Sunday, January 22nd

Sunday, February 5th

Sunday, February 12th

Sunday, February 19th

Wednesday, February 22nd



6 pm Choir Practice

MLK Holiday – Church Office & Childcare closed

8 am Men's Breakfast – Team 1, Cook

Building Fund Sunday

5 pm Finance Committee Meeting

5 pm Session Meeting

Souper Bowl Sunday – Donations to the Filling Station

Communion during Worship -Transfiguration of the Lord

CWS Blanket Sunday at PPC

Ash Wednesday – 6 pm Pancake Supper & Service to follow



Childcare Meeting dates and time to be announced

Save the Date:



Souper Bowl Sunday ~ February 12th ~ Watch for Details



February 19th is CWS Blanket Sunday

at Pollocksville Presbyterian Church. A special offering will be received.