

# **POLLOCKSVILLE** PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**Sunday, January 26, 2025**

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**Pollocksville Presbyterian Church**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany**  
**Order of Worship**

11:00 a.m.

January 26, 2025

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Prelude “Consecrated, Lord to Thee” by Douglas E. Wagner ~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

Welcome and Announcements ~ Liturgist

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) (*Rephrased Psalm 19*)

*Leader:* All Creation is your praise, O God.

*People:* **The sky radiates with your glory.**

*Leader:* The stars are your autograph.

*People:* **Night turning into day speaks your wisdom, not in the language of words, but with light and wonder.**

*Leader:* So we want to know your intent, and hear your Word.

*People:* **It gives us life, sweeter than honey and more precious than gold.**

*Leader:* Help us, then, to know your ways.

*People:* **For we easily become lost without knowing.**

*Leader:* May we follow in your path, and live by your Spirit.

*People:* **May the words of our mouths and the thoughts in our hearts be praise to you, O God, our Source and our Salvation. Alleluia!**

Prayer of Invocation ~ Liturgist

\*Opening Hymn “O Worship the King” # 64

Call to Confession ~ Pastor Yearick

Like the rich Pharisee, we believe that if we do all the right things before God, we will have earned God’s favor. Yet God does not want our pretenses and posturing. God says to us, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” So let us drop the barriers between us and God and our neighbor and call out like the tax collector, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner!” as we now confess our sins and shortcomings to the Lord for His forgiveness – Let us pray...

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, Holy One, we give thanks for those moments when we are in harmony with the unity of the Body of Christ, and with all Creation. And we confess those times when we are out of harmony, when we act as separate individuals who do not need each other; who do not need You. We give thanks for your Spirit, alive in us, who empowers us to seek justice; and we confess those times when we betray that calling. Forgive our selfishness and sin; heal our fears, and draw us back into unity, by the grace of Christ, we pray, Amen.**

*Silence is Kept*

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

*Pastor:* We have called out to God and God has heard our cries. God's merciful Spirit is poured out on all people. Our Creator has offered us forgiveness of our sins through Jesus Christ, for we have humbled ourselves before him and sought his mercy, and so we shall be exalted. For these abundant gifts of God's undeserved grace, let us shout in joy –

*People:* **Praise to God for He has forgiven us. Hallelujah!**

\*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.**

A Time For Children

“Hokey Pokey Time”

~ *Pastor Yearick*

\*Passing of the Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Anthem

“The New 23rd” *by Ralph Carmichael*

~ *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination

~ *Pastor Yearick*

The Scripture Reading

The Gospel of Luke 4: 14-21

(NIV)

<sup>14</sup> Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. <sup>15</sup> He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. <sup>16</sup> He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

<sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

*Pastor:* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"Jesus and Etch A Sketch"

~ *Pastor Yearick*

\*Affirmation of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed *(In Unison)*

**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.**

\*Hymn of Response

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

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Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

~ *Pastor Yearick*

**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.**

Commissioning for Ed Jekel

Congregational Response

~ Noreen Jekel

**Ed, we rejoice to recognize you as a representative of our church and thank God for your dedication and gift of service. We send you forth with our prayers and our support, and with you, we renew our commitment to God and service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray God's blessing for you and the Mission Team to Puerto Rico from the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. Amen.**

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory "Living for Jesus" by John Turner ~ Debbie Fitzgerald

\*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 ~ Pastor Yearick

\*Closing Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #461

\*Charge and Benediction ~ Pastor Yearick

\*Postlude "Petit Trio" by John S. Dixon ~ Debbie Fitzgerald

*Hymns from Sing to the Lord Hymnal*

\*Please rise in body or spirit

**Bold:** Congregation Speaks

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*Welcome!*

**Welcome to everyone who is worshiping with us today.**



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

*Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 and Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21*

**Daily Readings for January 26 – February 1 use the following web link:**

**<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily-readings/>**



## **Prayer List Additions as of 01/19/2025**

*His neighbor, David John, fell in his garage and is not expected to survive. Please pray for Barbara, Natalie and Gary (Jerry Burkot); Pray the cease fire continues (Shirley Bryan); Please pray for her sister's 3-year-old grandchild who was taken to the hospital with fever and seizure (Debbie Fitzgerald); Continued prayers for Ed Edmondson as his is still in the hospital (Cheryl Coeyman)*

*Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church*

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

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## **Announcements**

<b>Sunday Mornings</b>	<b>11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &amp; Streaming Live on Facebook, YouTube &amp; on PPC Website</b>
<b>Sundays at 9:45 am</b>	<b>Adult Sunday School – <i>Remember your Bibles!</i> Children's Sunday School at 9:45 am</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>6 pm Choir Practice</b>
<b>Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Building Fund Sunday Following Worship Service - Finance Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>5 pm Session Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Souper Bowl Sunday – Lunch following the Morning Worship Service</b>
<b>Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 pm Women's Circle Meeting at the Church Hostess – Eileen Griswold</b>
<b>Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Blanket Sunday at PPC</b>



**Attention Women of the Church!**

**It's Valentine Box time! Time to show some LOVE!**

**Here's what we need from YOU!**

- 1. If you have a child or grandchild in College (or away at school) — reach out to Cathy Campbell or Sheron Bender THIS WEEK with names and ADDRESSES- so we can get organized!**
- 2. Between now and Feb 9<sup>th</sup> — buy and drop off treats/ candy/ small school supplies etc. — to the church library..... On Feb 9<sup>th</sup> (Souper Bowl Sunday) we will have lunch after church — then pack the boxes- so that they can be mailed on Monday!**