

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, October 15, 2023

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church
20th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

October 15, 2023

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission ~ Stewardship ~

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Leader: Come! Share the joy of the Lord!

People: **Delight in God's goodness!**

Leader: Praise God who gives each person a special gift to be nurtured and shared.

People: **Lord, we thank you for these gifts!**

Leader: Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.

People: **Lord, make us worthy of your love and trust in us.**

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

"To God Be the Glory"
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: For our slowness to recognize your gifts in other people and their calling to be children of God: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For our reluctance to accept your free gifts and your gracious call to play our part in your ministry: Christ, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Leader: For any cause of division in your body for which we are responsible: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Silence is kept

Assurance of God's Pardon

~ *Ken Yearick*

Anthem

~ *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination

~ *Ken Yearick*

Scriptures

Matthew 22: 1-14 (NIV)

¹Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come. ⁴"Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵"But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. ⁶The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸"Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹²He asked, 'How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?' The man was speechless. ¹³"Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴"For many are invited, but few are chosen."

Sermon

"The Frozen Chosen"

~ *Kenneth Yearick*

*Hymn of Response

"Where He Leads Me"

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Sing to the Lord Hymnal

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer and 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.

*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

*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

~ Ken Yearick

*Closing Hymn

“When the Roll is Called Up Yonder”

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Sing to the Lord Hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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

Welcome!

to everyone who is worshipping with us today.

Thank You!

**Ken Yearick for filling the pulpit this morning
as well as next Sunday!**



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:
Isaiah 25:1-9 and Psalm 23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14
 Daily Readings for October 15 – 21 use the following web link:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/lectionary/>

~ **USHERS & GREETERS** ~

October – Bob & Carol Mattocks

November – Jean & Allen Bender

December – Ushers Needed

Thank you to all the volunteers who fill in as needed!
You are appreciated!!!

*If you would be willing to serve as an usher, please contact
 John Bender at 252-675-8431 or email: jmbender1991@gmail.com*



Prayer List (Additions as of 10-8-2023)

Paul Miller's passing (Tim Havlicek); The people of Israel;

Keith Cramer just diagnosed with leukemia (Steve Long);

Warren Waters – Frances' husband – Carolina East with leg infection & heart issues (Diane McCaffity); Laurie Drescher's brother - battles cancer & pulmonary fibrosis (Margaret Ross);

Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church; PPC Childcare.

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.



***A service for Paul Miller will be held this afternoon at
 Pollocksville Presbyterian Church at 3 p.m. with Ken Yearick officiating.***

Please keep Jennifer and the Family in your thoughts and prayers.

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***Here's to another successful Homecoming
 Celebrating 155 years***

1868 -2023

Thank you to everyone that helped make this possible!



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 – <i>Remember your Bibles!</i> Children’s Sunday School at 11 am
Wednesdays	 6 pm Choir Practice
Wednesday, October 18	Childcare Family Get Together
Sunday, October 29	8 am Men’s Breakfast – Team 3, cook Building Fund Sunday Pledge Packets to be Returned
Tuesday, October 31	PPCCC Trunk or Treat – <i>Details below!!!</i>
Sunday, November 5	Daylight Saving Time Ends 5 pm Session Meeting



Pollocksville Presbyterian Childcare
Tuesday, October 31st Trunk ‘r Treat at 3:15 pm

We need your help!!

On Tuesday October 31—HALLOWEEN—we hope that you can help us make Trunk ‘r Treat fun for our daycare children!

This is a FUN activity! We need folks to bring their car and candy (enough for 20 or so kids)—to the church parking lot and be all ready by 3:15.

The more volunteers we have, the more fun it is! It’s fun if you put a little decor on/in the “trunk” of your car.....and please feel free to wear a costume if you will! (Not required). (Jay will be coming as the Mayor)! The children will be lead out—to “trunk r treat” at each car!

If you can help, please let Frances know we can count on you!



An important message from Sheron Bender:

*Please put November 12th on your calendar - for the next church luncheon!
This is the day that Penny Bender will be turning 101...!*

Lunch will be provided by her family—and there will be cake!!

Please let Frances know (by Nov 5) if you will be able to join us to celebrate Penny on the 12th!



Operation Christmas Shoe Box: If you're interested in filling a shoe box for the Samaritan's Purse project—pick up a box in the back of the sanctuary. There is also a list attached- of HOW you fill the box! These boxes are shipped all over the world- to children- at Christmas.

If you choose to participate- return the filled box by Sunday, November 12.....and Sheron Bender will get them delivered to a church in Jacksonville.



You should have received your pledge packet by mail.

There are extra copies on the table in the narthex.

Packets due back by October 29th



2023

Guest Speakers for Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

October 22 – Kenneth Yearick
October 29 – Rev. Dr. Andy Konigsmark
November 5 – Mary Ann LeRay
November 12 – Kenneth Yearick
November 19 – Kenneth Yearick
November 26 – Kenneth Yearick
December 3 – Kenneth Yearick (Communion)
December 10 – Jay Bender
December 17 – Lyle Swanger
December 24 – Kenneth Yearick (Morning Service)
December 24 – Kenneth Yearick (Christmas Eve Candlelight Service)
December 31 – Kenneth Yearick



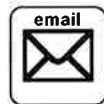
Please visit PPC website: www.pollocksvillepresbyterian.org

*Please keep the church secretary updated with any phone number, address or email changes.
Also, prayer requests and changes to the prayer list are needed as soon as possible.
The Church Secretary's hours are Mon-Fri, 9am -1 pm*



Phone 252-224-8181

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Email: fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org



Videos of the PPC services are available on the PPC website.

Go to pollocksvillepresbyterian.org and click on "Weekly Videos"



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