

# POLLOCKSVILLE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**Sunday, October 29, 2023**

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**Music Accompanist: Jennifer Miller**

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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

### Order of Worship

October 29, 2023

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Responsively)*

*Leader:* Let us join in worship.

*People:* **God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.**

*Leader:* Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

*People:* **God is within us; we will not fall. God will help us at break of day.**

*Leader:* Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has made in the earth.

*People:* **The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

*All:* **Let us rest in the strength of God. Amen.**

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

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

# 51

*Sing to the Lord Hymnal*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

**God, our refuge and strength, Forgive us for our sins. We have not trusted you as we should. We ignore the help and hope of our Creator.**

**Forgive us for our fears and worries. In the midst of trouble, we fail to remember that you are with us.**

**Forgive us for our lack of faith. Sometimes we forget that you are supreme and have a wonderful plan for our lives.**

**Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and cleanse us from misfortune. Help us to trust you more deeply, and walk in obedience to your commands.**

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept*

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

*Leader:* God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

*People:* **God is within us; we will not fall. God will help us at break of day.**

*Leader:* Come, behold the works of the Lord.

*People:* **The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

*Leader:* God, forgive us for our debts. We have not trusted you as we should.  
But you are our refuge and strength.

*People:* **The Lord is merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

*All:* **Thank you, Lord, for your forgiveness.**

Anthem

Hymn Medley

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Rev. Konigsmark

Scriptures

Psalm 46 (Contemporary English Version)

*God Is Our Mighty Fortress*

<sup>1</sup>God is our mighty fortress, always ready to help in times of trouble. <sup>2</sup>And so, we won't be afraid! Let the earth tremble and the mountains tumble into the deepest sea. <sup>3</sup>Let the ocean roar and foam, and its raging waves shake the mountains. <sup>4</sup>A river and its streams bring joy to the city, which is the sacred home of God Most High. <sup>5</sup>God is in that city, and it won't be shaken. He will help it at dawn. <sup>6</sup>Nations rage! Kingdoms fall! But at the voice of God the earth itself melts. <sup>7</sup>The Lord All-Powerful is with us. The God of Jacob is our fortress. <sup>8</sup>Come! See the fearsome things the Lord has done on earth. <sup>9</sup>God brings wars to an end all over the world. He breaks the arrows, shatters the spears, and burns the shields. <sup>10</sup>Our God says, "Calm down, and learn that I am God! All nations on earth will honor me." <sup>11</sup>The Lord All-Powerful is with us. The God of Jacob is our fortress.

John 8:31-36 (Contemporary English Version)

*The Truth Will Set You Free*

<sup>31</sup>Jesus told the people who had faith in him, "If you keep on obeying what I have said, you truly are my disciples. <sup>32</sup>You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered, "We are Abraham's children! We have never been anyone's slaves. How can you say we will be set free?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus replied: I tell you for certain that anyone who sins is a slave of sin! <sup>35</sup>And slaves don't stay in the family forever, though the Son will always remain in the family. <sup>36</sup>If the Son gives you freedom, you are free!

Sermon "I Love the Word Truth" ~ Rev. Andy Konigsmark

\*Hymn of Response "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #276  
*The Presbyterian 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 ~ Rev. Konigsmark

\*Closing Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #625  
*Sing to the Lord Hymnal*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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

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*Welcome!*

**to everyone who is worshipping with us today.**

~ **Next Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** ~

**Mary Ann LeRay**

**will be filling the pulpit during the morning worship service**



**Prayer List** (Additions as of 10-22-2023)

Remember Jennifer Miller & Jeremy LeRay during this sad time in the loss of loved ones (Ken Yearick); Remember Warren & Frances during Warren's sickness (Ken Yearick); Ken's Brother in Law's funeral (Ken Yearick); Israel & their conflicts (Ken Yearick); Feldon Eubank had stroke (Hilda Bender); Family of Hiram Edward O'Neal (Barbara Smith); Denise Hatcher- cancer & her husband Clint Hatcher- rotator cuff surgery (Barbara Smith); Mary Caraway - Ashley Simpson Jones's grandma who broke her hip, has had surgery, and is now in rehab (Margaret Ross)

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

**Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.**



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 and Psalm 1; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

Daily Readings for October 29 – November 4 se the following web link:

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



**Packets due back by TODAY**

# ***A Sincere Thank You!***

To all PPC

*Thank you for all the Prayers, Cards, and Calls during my Covid recovery. I felt His Presence and Angels every day. PPC is a powerful God's team.*

*Thank you everyone.  
Ed V.*

*Keep Praying for those on the prayer list. He is listening.*

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## ***~ USHERS & GREETERS ~***

*October – Bob & Carol Mattocks  
November – Jean & Allen Bender  
December – Ushers Needed*



## ***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**



**6 pm Choir Practice**

**Sunday, October 29**

**Pledge Packets to be Returned**

**Tuesday, October 31**

**PPCCC Trunk or Treat – *Details Below!!!***

**Sunday, November 5**

**Daylight Saving Time Ends**

**5 pm Session Meeting**

**Sunday, November 12**

**Birthday Lunch/Party for Penny Bender (*see details below*)**

**Monday, November 13**

**7 pm Women's Circle Meeting at the Church**

**Hostess: Jean Bender – Study Leader: Mary Ann LeRay**

**Sunday, November 19**

**Children's Hope Alliance Offering during Morning Worship**

**Congregational Meeting Following Worship Service**

**Community-wide Thanksgiving Service (*watch for details*)**

**Thursday & Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Church Office and Childcare Closed for in Observance of Thanksgiving**





***Pollocksville Presbyterian Childcare  
Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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 November 5<sup>th</sup>) if you will be able to join us to celebrate Penny on the 12<sup>th</sup>!***



***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.***



Please visit PPC website: [www.pollockvillepresbyterian.org](http://www.pollockvillepresbyterian.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



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

Go to [pollockvillepresbyterian.org](http://pollockvillepresbyterian.org) and click on “Weekly Videos”

# Stewardship is...



...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say “I believe”