



November 10, 2024

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

25th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

November 10, 2024

"May the Lord bless the people with peace."
In reverent silence, prepare your hearts and minds to worship God.

Prelude "Children of the Heavenly Father" (Swedish Melody) Arr. by Don Hustad Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsively)

~ Liturgist

Leader: Eternal God, you who are more vast than the universe, we come

with our tiny words of praise,

People: and you receive them with love and delight.

Leader: Loving Jesus, we give to you our small and broken lives,

People: and you receive them with love and delight.

Leader: Holy Spirit, we bear the gifts you have given us out into the world,

each in our own way,

People: and you receive them with love and delight.

ALL: We worship you, and give thanks for your grace. Alleluia!

Prayer of Invocation

~ Liturgist

*Opening Hymn

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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Call to Confession

~ Pastor Yearick

Pastor: The grace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Trusting in God's tender mercy, let us confess our sin to the Lord

with one another with the Prayer of Confession printed in our

bulletin. Let us pray...

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gentle God, we thank you for all you have given us, and we confess that we have held onto it with uncertainty. We have belittled your grace, forgotten the needy, and cut ourselves off from you and from our sisters and brothers. In the name of Christ, who embodies your mercy, forgive us for our grasping; heal us of our doubts; and lead us into lives of trust, gratitude and generosity for your sake, and the sake of your realm of mercy and justice. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

~ Pastor Yearick

St. Paul reminds us: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:3-4, ESV). Sisters and brothers, your old selves have been crucified with Christ, and you will be united with him in the resurrection. The Lord has promised us salvation from our sins – therefore, live in the newness of life! Amen and 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.

A Time for Children

"The Widow and Hattie"

~ Pastor Yearick

*The Peace of Christ

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

People: And also with you.

Anthem

"Praise The Lord" by Natalie Sleeth

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Pastor Yearick

Scripture Readings

The Old Testament Psalm 146 (NIV)

¹Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, my soul. ²I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. ³Do not put your trust in princes, in human beings, who cannot save. ⁴When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing. Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God. ⁶He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them— he remains faithful forever. ⁶He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous. ⁶The LORD watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked. ¹o The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD.

The Gospel Lesson Mark 12: 38-44 (NIV)

³⁸ As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. ⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely." ⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴² But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. ⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

Sermon

"Does It Really Matter?"

~ Pastor Ken Yearick

*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

"Take My Life"
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

(v. 1,2,3,4)

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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..

The Offertory of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

"Praise to the Almighty God"

*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

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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*Charge and Benediction

Ushers**Q**-Greeters

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

"CORO" (from "Water Music") by George Handel

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

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Welcome to everyone who is worshiping with us today.

If you are looking for a church home, please feel free to join us.

Our membership is open to all. Please see the Pastor or one of the Elders if you wish to join our Church Family. Welcome to all!

For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 17:8-16 and Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Daily Readings for November 10 - 16 use the following web link: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/

Prayer List Additions as of 11-3-2024

Continued prayers for Jameson (Mark Bender); Pray that our Poll workers and Country stay safe this week (Sheron Bender); Prayers for Travis and Susan Best as Travis is struggling with Stage 4 cancer (Mary Ann Bender); Travel prayers as she travels to NJ this week for a wedding (Eileen Griswold); Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church

November Ushers: Bob & Carol Mattocks
December Ushers: Vic Bryan & Kay Bender

Announcements & Reminders

Sunday Mornings 11:00 am - Worship in the Church Sanctuary &

Streaming Live on Facebook, YouTube & on PPC Website

Sundays at 9:45 am Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!

Children's Sunday School at 9:45 am

Thursdays 6 pm Choir Practice

Monday, November 11th 7 pm Women's Circle Meeting at the Church

Hostess: Laurie Drescher; Study Leader: Sheron Bender

Sunday, November 17th Annual Congregational Meeting following the Morning

Worship Service

Chili Luncheon following the Service

Sunday, November 24th 8 am Men's Breakfast – Team 3 Cook

Children's Hope Alliance Offering during Morning Worship

5:30 pm Community Thanksgiving Service at

Pollocksville Baptist Church

Thursday & Friday, November 28th & 29th - Thanksgiving Holidays

Church Office Closed

Sunday, December 1st Communion during Morning Worship

5 pm Session Meeting

Annual Congregational Meeting
Sunday, November 17th following the Morning Worship Service

Sunday, November 24th, at 5:30 pm

Community Thanksgiving Service at the Pollocksville Baptist Church.

Hanging of the Greens - Beginning December 1st

Both the Adult and Children's Sunday School are now 9:45 am each Sunday. There will be a nursery provided during the 11 am Worship Service. See Jean Bender if you can be a nursery volunteer. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

Nursery Volunteers are needed!

Thanks to the many who have picked up a Samaritan's Christmas Shoe box! You are touching a child's life without leaving home!!

You start by deciding whether to do a box for a girl or boy and which age group. (attach that label to your box)

Then the envelope attached-gives you good guidance on what to include and what NOT to include. When your box is filled-return it to the narthex—no later than Sunday, November 17th. Each box costs about \$10 to ship - do not worry about that - I've got that covered! Please don't wrap or tape up the box, as each box goes to a distribution center and will be opened and inspected for safety reasons.

Thanks so much for joining together in this sweet mission!

~ Sheron Bender

Adam Ross will be hauling a toy load up to WNC if anyone would like to donate. A box has been placed in the back of the sanctuary for donations. New or gently used are both great! Donations need to be placed in the box by December 3rd. If you have any questions, please reach out to Margaret at 252-670-8254.



On Veterans Day and every day... we are grateful for our military service personnel, past and present, and the families who support them.

"We don't know them all, but we owe them all."



