

# POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**Sunday, November 12, 2023**

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***Music Accompanist: Jennifer Miller***

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

November 12, 2023

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

*Leader:* Love of God, enfold us in Your Encompassing arms.

*People:* **Delight of God, draw us nearer to You.**

*Leader:* Wisdom of God, lead us in worship and life.

*People:* **Spirit of God, make us Yours by claiming us as Your children.**

*ALL:* **Shape us by Your love in the name of Christ – Hallelujah! Praise the Lord.**

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

“Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers”

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*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

**Gracious God, we confess our sin. We are not conscious of your presence with perfect openness; we are not mindful of one another with perfect love. In our obliviousness we betray you, and we hurt one another. We are sorry, and we turn to you. Forgive us, heal us, and awaken us. By the power of our Spirit be present in us, grant that we may be courageous and openly faithful to the world as the crucified and risen Body of Christ for the sake of your healing of all Creation. Amen.**

*Silence is Observed*

Assurance of God’s Pardon

~ Pastor Yearick

Anthem

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Pastor Yearick

Scriptures

Matthew 25: 1-13 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> “At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. <sup>4</sup> The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. <sup>6</sup> “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’ <sup>7</sup> “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup> “‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup> “But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. <sup>11</sup> “Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the door for us!’ <sup>12</sup> “But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’ <sup>13</sup> “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Sermon

“What time Is Your Appointment?”

~ Pastor Ken Yearick

\*Hymn of Response

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

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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

~ *Pastor Yearick*

\*Closing Hymn

“It Is Well with My Soul”

*See Back Cover*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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

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*Welcome!*

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

***We Welcome Pastor Ken Yearick back to PPC!***

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~ ***USHERS & GREETERS*** ~

*November – Jean & Allen Bender*

*December – Ron Pound*

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

***PPC is in need of ushers for the year 2024***



**Prayer List** (Additions as of 11-5-2023)

*Lots of things happening with the Bender family recently... Mark's surgery, Sheron's fall, Veronica being in the hospital and prayers for upcoming heart surgery (Sheron Bender);*

*John Simmons' wife Celeste died (Esther Stott's sister-in-law);*

*Felton Eubanks' passing and continued prayers for their family (Mary Ann LeRay);*

*Jane Sobotor - Hip surgery, Friday, 11-10-23 (Barbara Smith)*

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

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

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***Today is Ms. Penny Bender's 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday***

***Lunch will be provided by her family following today's worship service,***

***AND there will be cake!!***

***Please stay for lunch and help celebrate!***

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***Attention Women of the Church***

***You are invited to a floating baby shower***

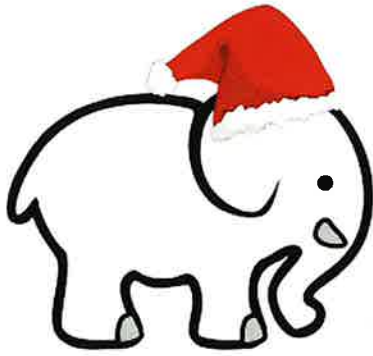
***Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00***

***in the fellowship hall of the church***

***for Dana and John Bender.***

***Please mark your calendar and come help celebrate with them.***

***Her baby list is at <https://www.babylist.com/list/baby-dana-bender>***



The Women of the Church will hold their annual White Elephant Christmas party at Attitudes Pub and Grill in River Bend on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Please mark your calendar. *Details to follow.*



## 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

Monday, November 13

7 pm Women’s Circle Meeting at the Church

Hostess: Mary Pound Study Leader: Mary Ann LeRay

Sunday, November 19

Children’s Hope Alliance Offering during Morning Worship  
Annual Congregational Meeting Following Worship Service

2 pm Pollocksville Memorial Cemetery Association Annual Meeting at Pollocksville Methodist Church

Community-wide Thanksgiving Service at the Baptist Church with Pastor Ken Yearick to preach

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

Church Office and Childcare Closed for in Observance of Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 26

8 am Men’s Breakfast – Team 1, Cook  
Building Fund Sunday

Hanging of the Greens - today through Saturday, December 2

Sunday, December 3

Communion during Morning Worship  
5 pm Session Meeting



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

*Amos 5:18-24 and Psalm 70; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-3*

Daily Readings for November 12 – 18 see the following web link:

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



***Pledge Packets are due back in.***

***If you have not turned yours in, please see Ron Pound!***



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*

*Phone 252-224-8181 ~ Email: [fwaters@pollockvillepresbyterian.org](mailto:fwaters@pollockvillepresbyterian.org)*

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

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



***Miracle recordings are now available to listen to on our website.***

In 1995, just before Joan and Ed Valentine moved to New Bern, Ed had the opportunity to interview and record Ministers who had firsthand experience of divine intervention – God's Holy Spirit. Please listen to these powerful testimonies.

*Just click on MIRACLE RECORDINGS and each CD will be listed with the title Miracles and the author. For a short time, these recordings will be available at the bottom of the homepage.*

## **Closing Hymn:**

### **It Is Well with My Soul**

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
  - *Refrain:*  
It is well with my soul,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
2. My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—  
My sin, not in part but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
3. For me, be it Christ, be it Christ hence to live:  
If Jordan above me shall roll,  
No pang shall be mine, for in death as in life  
Thou wilt whisper Thy peace to my soul.
4. But, Lord, 'tis for Thee, for Thy coming we wait,  
The sky, not the grave, is our goal;  
Oh, trump of the angel! Oh, voice of the Lord!  
Blessed hope, blessed rest of my soul!
5. And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.