

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, November 5, 2023

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

November 5, 2023

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Leader: Be still!

People: **We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.**

Leader: Be still and know . . .

People: **we come to discern the Word which can set us free.**

Leader: Be still and know that God is

People: **our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.**

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

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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The Presbyterian Hymnal

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

Lord of all, the demands of your righteousness are too hard for us to fulfill alone, so we rush off with this excuse and ignore your law. You forgive our iniquity and remember our sin no more and we abuse this freedom as if it were a license to selfishness, self-indulgence, and self-righteousness. You give us the gift of grace, atonement in the blood of your Son, yet we make it cheap without serious repentance. We fail to see the power of your faithfulness. We are your people, but do we know you as our God?

Forgive us, Lord, the sins we know in our heart.

Save us, Lord, from the sins we hide.

Silence is Observed

Assurance of God's Pardon (*Responsively*)

Leader: God does show us God's own righteousness and divine forbearance.

People: **Through the work of the Holy Spirit given to us, we may come to know the truth and be made free.**

Leader: Jesus Christ the Son of God sets us free from our slavery to sin.

People: **Our sins are forgiven.**

Leader: Through his death and resurrection, a place is made for us in the household and we may be known as children of God.

People: **To the glory of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

All: **Amen.**

Anthem "Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You" *Jay Althouse* ~ *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination ~ *Mary Ann LeRay*

Scriptures Old Testament Scriptures (NKJV)

Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

Isaiah 40

Sermon "Soar While You Wait" ~ *Mary Ann LeRay*

*Hymn of Response "The Solid Rock" #436
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 *(Unison)*

God of hope, we come bringing our gifts and dedicating them to your service. Bless them and use them to serve the needs of others; and enable us to use those portions that we have retained in order that in all things your holy name may be glorified. Amen.

*Closing Hymn

“Standing on the Promises”
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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*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.

Thank you Mary Ann for filling the pulpit at PPC this morning!

~ Next Sunday, November 12th, Ken Yearick will be back in PPC pulpit ~

~ 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.*



Prayer List (Additions as of 10-29-2023)

Mark Bender - shoulder surgery Wednesday, 11-1-23 (Jay Bender); Sheron Bender fell on a hike & broke her cheek bone - will have to have surgery (Jay Bender); Felton Eubanks passed away (Hilda Bender); Eileen Griswold - hip surgery Wednesday, 11-1-23 (Jerry Burkot); James Barbee has pneumonia (Shirley Bryan); Bob and Carol Mattocks have covid (Noreen Jekel); Maine and their community after recent loss (Rev. Konigsmark)

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

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Micah 3:5-12 and Psalm 43; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12

Daily Readings for November 5 – 11 see the following web link:

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

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## **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, November 5**

**5 pm Session Meeting**

**Sunday, November 12**

**Birthday Lunch/Party for Penny Bender (*see details on flip side*)**

**Monday, November 13**

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

**Sunday, November 19**

**Hostess: Mary Pound    Study Leader: Mary Ann LeRay**

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

**Congregational Meeting Following Worship Service**

**Pollockville Memorial Cemetery Association Annual Meeting**

**at Pollockville Methodist Church**

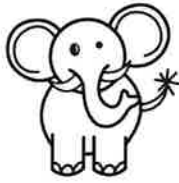
**Community-wide Thanksgiving Service (watch for details)**

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

**Church Office and Childcare Closed for in**

**Observance of Thanksgiving**





The Women of the Church will hold their annual White Elephant Christmas party at Attitudes Pub and Grill in River Bend on December 11 at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendar. Details to follow.



*Pollocksville Presbyterian Childcare*

*Thank you to everyone that helped make Trunk 'r Treat a success!*



*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 tomorrow if you will be able to join us to celebrate Penny on the 12<sup>th</sup>!*



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

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

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