

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



December 4, 2022

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church
2nd Sunday of Advent
Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

December 4, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle (see back cover) ~ Peace ~ Robert & Hailey Bender

Response (*remain seated*) “He Came Down” *See Hymn Insert*

Call to Worship (*Responsive*)

Leader: A voice cries out in the Wilderness

People: **Prepare the way of the Lord!**

Leader: God has promised us a new creation

People: **where righteousness will be at home.**

Leader: Blessed is the Holy One our God,

People: **who has sent a mighty Savior to redeem us.**

Prayer of Invocation

*The Peace of Christ

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

People: **And also with you.**

*Opening Hymn

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

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Presbyterian Hymnal

Call to Reconciliation

~ Jeff Mizell

Knowing that God will protect us, give us strength and love, while we persist in falling short of God’s glory, love and hope for us, let us now join together to offer God those times we need Christ’s help to be the people and the Church we are called to be. Pray with me:

Sermon

"The Path to Peace"

~ Jeff Mizell

*Hymn of Response

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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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 (*Unison*)

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to give, which we do with joyful, grateful hearts. We look at the needs of the world, and our offerings are small. May they be like yeast, gifts that grow in your kingdom, bringing a rich harvest of righteousness. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

*Closing Hymn

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!”

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The Presbyterian Hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

~ Jeff Mizell

*Postlude

*Please rise in body or spirit

Bold: Congregation Speaks

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Welcome!

Welcome to everyone who is worshipping with us today.

Today we welcome Jeff Mizell back to PPC

~ Next Sunday, December 11th ~

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

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"The poinsettias in the sanctuary this morning were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John D. and Virginia Jenkins by Carol and Bob Mattocks."



Prayer List Additions as of 11/27/2022

Penny Bender; Ed Edmondson –in rehab;

Thelma Edmondson – Caregiver; Jeannette Hudson passed away (Coeymans)

The Family of Evelyn Bell (Jerry Burkot's Aunt)

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress. These names will remain on this list for 3 weeks.

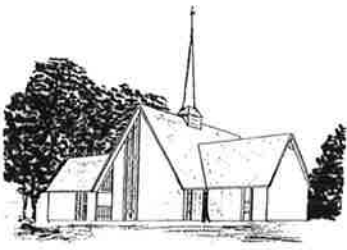
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children's hope
—ALLIANCE—

\$955 has been received to date for The Annual Thanksgiving Offering for Children's Hope Alliance, formally known as Barium Springs. It is not too late if you wish to contribute. Just mark on your check or pew envelope Thanksgiving Offering and drop in offering plate or give to Ron Pound.

Their mission is to provide a safe, healing journey for hurting children and families - creating hope now and in the future.



Guest Speakers for Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

December 11		Lyle Swanger
December 18		Jeff Mizell
December 24	(Christmas Eve Service)	Jay Bender
December 25	<i>Christmas Day</i>	Jay Bender


2023

January 1		Mary Ann LeRay
January 8		Janie Canty-Mitchell
January 15	(Installation & Communion)	Rev. Gary Howell
January 22		Rev. David D. McDonald
February 8		Rev. Dr. David Vanderbilt
February 12		Jay Bender
February 19		Rev. Dr. Nancy Gladden
February 26		Rev. Gary Howell

Reminders & Announcements

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, December 4th **5 pm Session Meeting (Examination of New Elders)**

Monday, December 5th **4 pm PNC Meeting in the Church Library**

Sunday, December 11th **3 pm Women’s Circle White Elephant Christmas Party
in the Sanctuary Annex**

Wednesday, December 14th **5 pm Community Christmas Dinner**

Sunday, December 18th **Christmas Joy Offering
7 pm PPC Christmas Cantata**

Saturday, December 24th **6:30 pm Christmas Eve Service at PPC**

Sunday, December 25th **Christmas Sunday
Building Fund Sunday**

Friday, December 23rd & Monday, December 26th – Church Office Closed

Monday, January 2nd 2023 – Church Office Closed

Friday, December 23rd Through January 2nd – Childcare Closed – Reopen Tuesday, January 3rd



December: Bob & Carol Mattocks



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 11:1-10 and Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

Daily Readings for December 4 - 10 use the following web link:

<http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/devotions/month-month-lectionary-reading-list/>



Attention All Women!

***White Elephant Christmas Party -- Sunday, December 11th at 3 p.m.
in the Sanctuary Annex***

***Bring finger food...sweet or savory, to share
& a wrapped White Elephant gift to exchange***

*Think ahead about your special "tacky," "bizarre," or perhaps even "useful" White
Elephant gift for exchange*

Contact Cathy Campbell if you plan to attend.

Email: campbellrobertc@embarqmail.com or call 252-637-4191



Christmas Cantata

"I Hear the Prophet Calling"

***Sunday Evening, December 18th at 7:00 pm
in the Pollocksville Presbyterian Church Sanctuary
Refreshments to follow.***



Communion & Candle Light Service

Saturday, December 24th at 6:30 pm ~ Christmas Eve Service



SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT – PEACE

#1- Watch and wait for Christ’s coming! Light candles of hope, peace, joy, and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer

#2- We light this candle in hope. (*Light the first purple candle*)

We light this candle for peace. (*Light the second purple candle*)

#1- Here God’s promise of peace in these words from scripture:

From Isaiah 9:6: “For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called ‘Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace’”

And from Micah 5: 4-5: “He shall stand and feed His flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord His God. And His people shall dwell secure, for He shall be great to the ends of the earth. And He shall be their peace.”

#2- Let us pray:

Faithful God, you are at work to restore all of creation in its intended harmony. Give us your shalom – your peace – that we may be reconciled to all enemies in the peace that passes all understanding through Jesus Christ our Lord. God of promise, God of hope, into our darkness come. AMEN

#1- Please remain seated as we sing the hymn from the insert in your bulletin “He Came Down”