

# POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**March 27, 2022**

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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

4th Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

March 27, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Responsive*) (from Psalm 115:2-8)

*Leader:* Why should the nations say, 'Where is your God?'

*People:* **Our God is in the heavens; he does whatever he pleases.**

*Leader:* Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands.

*People:* **They have mouths, but do not speak; eyes, but do not see.**

*Leader:* They have ears, but do not hear; noses, but do not smell.

*People:* **They have hands, but do not feel; feet but do not walk; they make no sound in their throats.**

*Leader:* Those who make them are like them; and so are all who trust in them.

*People:* **Our God is in the heavens; he does whatever he pleases.**

*Leader:* Come, let us worship God!

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 "Fairest Lord Jesus" [Crusaders" Hymn] #306  
*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

Call to Confession

Even in our faithlessness, God loves us still and waits in mercy to forgive. Trusting in the promises given at our baptism, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

**Holy God, you promise us a life full of blessing, but we do not always believe. You inspire us to hope, but we fall back into fear. You urge us to give freely, but we cling to what we have. You call us to watch at all times for you, but we grow lazy and self-absorbed. Forgive us. Increase our hope, enlarge our hearts, and keep us alert to the wonders you work in the world every day. For the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

## Silent Confession

### Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsive)*

Hear the good news! By faith we have been saved, our guilty hearts washed clean. Refreshed, revived, and renewed, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we can live as ones who are forgiven and freed. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Anthem "Pie Jesu" ~ *Webber* *Jennifer Miller and Amber Swanger*

### Prayer for Illumination

Scripture First Reading – Luke 5:17-26 [NRSV]  
Second Reading – Hebrews 1:1-2 [NRSV]

<sup>17</sup> One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting near by (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. <sup>18</sup> Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; <sup>19</sup> but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. <sup>20</sup> When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you." <sup>21</sup> Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" <sup>22</sup> When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? <sup>23</sup> Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk'? <sup>24</sup> But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the one who was paralyzed—"I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home." <sup>25</sup> Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. <sup>26</sup> Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

<sup>1</sup> Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds.

Sermon "The Mouth of God" ~ *Rev. Marie C. Cone*

### 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

Invitation to the Offering

~ *Rev. Marie Cone*

God calls us to share what we have – a little bread, a little water – and God uses those simple gifts to bring abundant blessing to the world. Share what you have out of the abundance that has been so graciously given to you.

Offertory “Behold the Lamb of God” ~ *Bouman*

*Women's Chorus*

\*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)*

**Merciful God, we thank you for your wonderful works among humankind. Accept this offering with the dedication of our lives and help us be for the world an emblem of your steadfast love, in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn

“Though I May Speak”  
*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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

**~ We welcome Rev. Marie Cone to PPC this morning ~**

*Pastor Marie is an Honorably Retired member of Coastal Carolina Presbytery. She mostly recently served as interim pastor at First Presbyterian in Jacksonville and before that at Peace Presbyterian Church in Winterville. Prior to finding her way to North Carolina, she served four churches in the Presbytery of Philadelphia. She and her husband, Larry, fell in love with North Carolina and decided to retire to Surf City where they now live with their youngest daughter, Ellie. Pastor Marie may be officially retired from ministry, but she remains an active member of the presbytery, serving as co-chair for the East Community Steering Team. She now works full-time as administrative support for Larry's business, Kitepipe, a cloud-integration services company.*

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**~ Next Sunday, April 3rd ~**

**Rev. Cynthia Williams will be filling the pulpit  
during the morning worship service**

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**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

Joshua 5:9-12 and Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**Daily Readings for March 27 – April 2 use the following web link:**

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

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**Prayer List Additions as of 03/20/2021**

*Bob Mallard – upcoming jaw cancer surgery (Bob Mattocks); Ukraine (Steve Long); Ed Clayton – stroke (Vic Bryan); Blair & Janet's former neighbor in Raleigh, Steve (making some progress with medicine for lung cancer); Pray that Putin's heart will be changed (Hilda Bender)*

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

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**Ushers for March: John & Dana Bender**

**April: Blair Purvis & Kay Bender**

**Ushers Needed!**

*If interested in volunteering, please contact John Bender for available months.*

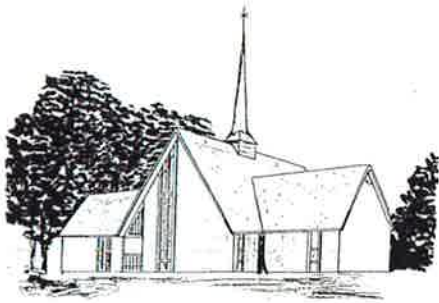
## **Reminders & Announcements**

**Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &  
NOW Streaming Live on Facebook & Directly from Website  
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**Past services are available on the website - click on “Weekly Videos”**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>9:45 am</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b>Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>Childcare Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>5 pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Palm Sunday</b>
<b>Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Women’s Circle in the Sanctuary Annex Study Leader: Cathy Campbell</b>
<b>Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday – Service and Communion</b>
<b>Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Easter Sunday (Flowering of Cross prior to Morning Worship)</b>

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### ***Guest Speakers for Pollocksville Presbyterian Church***

April 3		Rev. Cynthia Williams
April 10	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	Rev. Brent Fisher
April 17	<i>Easter Sunday</i>	Rev. Sam Murrell
April 24		Rev. Gary Howell
May 1		Rev. Nancy Gladden
May 8	<i>Mother’s Day</i>	Jay Bender
May 15		Rev. Jeff Mizell
May 22		Rev. Charles Elliott
May 29		Rev. Robbie Phillips
June 5	<i>Communion</i>	Rev. Jerrod Lowry

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***Please see the enclosed flyer for information on donations for Ukraine***