

# POLLOCKSVILLE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**April 24, 2022**

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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

April 24, 2022

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Prelude

“Alleluia” ~ J. S. *Bach*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Responsive*) (from *Psalm 150*)

*Leader:* Praise the Lord!

*People:* **Praise God in his sanctuary, praise him in his mighty firmament!**

*Leader:* Praise him for his mighty deed; praise him according to his exceeding greatness!

*People:* **Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!**

*All:* **Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!**

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

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

#210

*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**God of Grace, we confess that we have failed to love you with all of our hearts, our souls, our minds. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your ways, and follow other gods.**

**Have mercy on us, forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name.**

Time for Silent Prayers

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsive)* *(from Psalm 103)*

*Leader:* We remember what the Psalmist wrote, "for as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

*People:* **as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us."**

*All:* **Thanks be to God for God's great salvation!**

Anthem "How Beautiful" ~ *Paris arr. Larson*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Psalm 118: 14-29 *(Revised Standard Version)*  
John 20: 19-31

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. <sup>15</sup>Hark, glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly, <sup>16</sup>the right hand of the LORD is exalted, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!" <sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD. <sup>18</sup>The LORD has chastened me sorely, but he has not given me over to death. <sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. <sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. <sup>21</sup>I thank thee that thou hast answered me and hast become my salvation. <sup>22</sup>The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. <sup>23</sup>This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup>This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. <sup>25</sup>Save us, we beseech thee, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech thee, give us success! <sup>26</sup>Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. <sup>27</sup>The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar! <sup>28</sup>Thou art my God, and I will give thanks to thee; thou art my God, I will extol thee. <sup>29</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever!

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

Sermon "On Having Courage to Ask" ~ *Rev. Gary Howell*

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 "Because He Lives" ~ *Gaither arr. Berry*

### \*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 new life, out of the abundance of your gifts to us, we offer these portions to you. Through your blessing and our willingness to share, may these offerings become a source of hope and love in this church family and throughout the world; in the name of Jesus Christ.**

\*Closing Hymn "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord" #392  
*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

### \*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude "Traditional French Melody" ~ *arr. B. P. Krone*  
*O Filii et Filiae*

**~ We welcome Rev. Gary Howell to PPC this morning ~**

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**~ Next Sunday, May 1st ~**

**Rev. Dr. Nancy Gladden will be filling the pulpit  
during the morning worship service**



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

Acts 5:27-32 and Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150 or 2 Kings 7:1-16 and Psalm 2;  
Rev 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

**Daily Readings for April 24 – 30 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 04/17/22**

*The Family of Louise Moore (Mother of Lori Davis, PPCCC Director & Grandmother of  
Farsharia Moore, PPCCC staff); Our Ukrainian brothers and sisters;  
(Rev. Samuel Murrell) Our Military; PPC Childcare and Staff; Our Nation;  
Annette Bell (Health Concerns); Glenn Norman (Health Concerns)*

**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 April: Blair Purvis & Kay Bender**

**May: Thelma Edmondson & Eileen Griswold**



**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**

**\$876.00 has been received to date for OGHS**

*Donations are still being accepted.*

If you still wish to give, please place your gift in the offering plate.

Designate for OGHS.

(Special Envelopes are available on the table in the Narthex).

**HUNGER – DISASTER – DEVELOPMENT**

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural and human-caused disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.



Today is *Building Fund Sunday*.

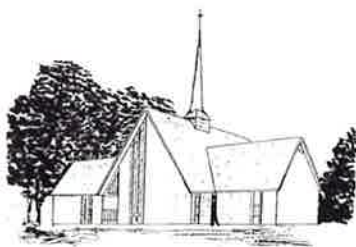
All contributions given, unless otherwise designated, will go the Church Building Fund.

## **Reminders & Announcements**

**Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &  
NOW Streaming Live on Facebook & Directly from Website  
[www.pollocksvillepresbyterian.org](http://www.pollocksvillepresbyterian.org)**

**Past services are available on the website - click on “Weekly Videos”**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>9:45 am</b>	<b>Sunday School – <i>Remember your Bibles!</i></b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b>Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>Childcare Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>3 pm</b>	<b>Prayer Walk</b>
	<b>5 pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>National Day of Prayer</b>
		<b>11:30 am – 12:30 pm at the Jones County Civic Center</b>
<b>Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>No Sunday School</b>
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Mother’s Day Breakfast</b>
		<b>~Prepared by the Men of the Church</b>
<b>Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Presbyterian Women’s Circle Birthday Celebration</b>



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

May 1		Rev. Dr. Nancy Gladden
May 8	<i>Mother’s Day</i>	Jay Bender
May 15		Jeff Mizell
May 22		Rev. Charles Elliott
May 29		Rev. Robbie Phillips
June 5	<i>Communion</i>	Rev. Jerrod Lowry