

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, May 25, 2025

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Welcome and Announcements ~ *Liturgist*

If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and beloved God, you promise us your Spirit – a constant companion, a wise guide, a source of courage and peace. Yet we confess that we often close our hearts to your presence. We cling to control when you ask us to trust, and we choose comfort over calling. You lead us to those in need, but we hesitate to help. You open doors for justice, but we walk past them in awkward silence. You whisper truth, but we turn up the volume of living our lives. Forgive us, Spirit of Truth. Unclench our hands. Unblock our ears. Unbind our hearts. And wherever we are – wherever you send us – help us walk in your Way. Amen.

Silence is Kept

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

Pastor: Beloved of God, hear this Good News: The Spirit of Truth is not distant or demanding, but near, gentle, and steadfast.

People: **By the Spirit's grace, we are forgiven, renewed, and never alone. 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.

A Time With Children

"Remembrance Day"

~ Pastor Yearick

*Passing of the Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

*HYMN SING: All Hymns from The Sing to the Lord Hymnal (one verse only)

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save" #764

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" #757

"God of the Ages" #754

"America, The Beautiful" #759

The Scripture Reading Old Testament Joshua 4:1-7 (NIV)

¹ When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, ² “Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, ³ and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, from right where the priests are standing, and carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight.” ⁴ So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, ⁵ and said to them, “Go over before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, ⁶ to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, ‘What do these stones mean?’ ⁷ tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever.”

Epistle Lesson Philippians 3:7-14 (NIV)

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Message “Don’t Look Back....Something Might Be Gaining on You”

~ Pastor Yearick

*Hymn of Response “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory” (v. 1,4) #756
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

*A Litany For Memorial Day

The Book of Worship for United States Forces (1974) ~ Carol Mattocks

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

People: **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.**

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past
and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

People: **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.**

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave,
and in the worlds common ways have lived upright lives and
ministered to their fellows:

People: **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.**

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and
especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

People: **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.**

ALL: **Almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember
these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage
and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look
upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings
them memories of those they have lost awhile, may it also bring
your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are
alive now and forever in your living presence. Amen**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

~ *Pastor Yearick*

**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.**

Offering of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Ashokan Farewell" *Jay Unger*

*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

“Let There Be Peace of Earth”

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Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father
Brothers all are we,
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me,
Let this be the moment now;
With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment
and live each moment
in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

*Charge and Benediction

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

~ Mary Ann Jones

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

Welcome!

Welcome to everyone who is worshiping with us today.



Prayer List Additions as of 05/18/2025

Mary Ann LeRay – prayers for Ava Jane and her surgery this week; Jeremy LeRay – travel mercies for all that are traveling. Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church



Communion - Sunday, June 8, 2025 – Day of Pentecost



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Acts 16:9-15 and Psalm 67 or Deuteronomy 34:1-12 and Psalm 109:21-31

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

Daily Readings for May 25 – 31 use the following web link:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily-readings/>



The Presbyterian Women's Birthday Offering is an annual tradition began over a century ago. Grants from this offering have funded more than 200 major capital projects and today fruits from these projects continue to thrive in places like Peru, South Korea, Malawi, and across the U.S. Proceeds from the first Birthday Offering helped fund the construction of the beautiful entrance gate at the Montreat Conference Center here in Montreat, NC. This year's offering will address housing for Native Americans in South Dakota and disaster relief in the Mississippi Delta. To learn more about the Birthday Offering visit presbyterianwomen.org/birthday. It is not too late to give... If you wish to give, please place your offering in the offering plate and earmark for "PW Birthday Offering".



OUR PRAYER *Reaching Out ... Lifting up*



Each week we lift up those in our congregation to specifically pray for as part of our community of faith. We suggest you highlight them each day in your prayers for the guidance and direction God wishes for them. Pastor Ken will announce from the pulpit each week.

This Past Week:

Blair Purvis, Danielle & William Shaw, Billy Sobotor, and Steve Long



Ushers: *May - Sheron Bender & Barbara Smith
June - Noreen & Ed Jekel
July - Rebecca Long & Diane McCaffity
August - Ron Pound & Sandy Yearick
October - Joan Knight & Jerry Burkot
November - Bob & Carol Mattocks
December - Vic Bryan & Kay Bender*

September ushers needed.

Announcements

Sunday Mornings 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &

Streaming Live on Facebook, YouTube & on PPC Website

Sundays at 9:45 am Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!

Children's Sunday School at 9:45 am

Wednesdays

6 pm Choir Practice

Monday, May 26th

Memorial Day – Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 1st

5 pm Session Meeting

Sunday, June 8th

Day of Pentecost - Communion

Sunday, June 9th

7 pm Presbyterian Women Meeting

- Hostess: Hilda Bender

Sunday, June 15th

Father's Day - Lunch Following Morning Service

Sunday, June 22nd

8 am Men's Breakfast Team 4 to cook

Sunday, June 29th

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

Sunday, July 6th

NO Session Meeting



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