

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



May 8, 2022

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

4th Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

May 8, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

Leader: Frayed and frazzled, our lives jangling with tension and anxiety,

People: **we gather to find that place of peace which God offers to us.**

Leader: Awash in worries and doubts, drowning in a sea of fears,

People: **we gather beside the still waters where Jesus offers us a cup of grace.**

Leader: Weakened by the burdens of life, wandering as if lost in a wilderness,

People: **we gather so the Spirit can restore our souls and show us the path to the kingdom.**

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

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

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The Presbyterian Hymnal

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

God who shepherds us, you must wonder how long we will continue to live the way we do. We snatch hope out of the grasp of those who need it most. Our acts of kindness are offered only to those we think to be deserving of our generosity. We gather around to watch endless reality shows, while those whose real lives are filled with struggle and loss are ignored. Yet you refuse to keep forgiveness a mystery, Gracious God, but offer it to us without any hesitation. You gather us in the green pastures of mercy, so we might find hope; you offer us a drink of the living waters so we might become still enough to listen to your heart; you send the Spirit to take us by the hand to lead us on the paths of justice; the goodness and mercy of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, follow us all the days as we seek to be faithful in our calling to serve him. Amen.

Silence is kept

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsive)*

Leader: Hear the good news: God will lead us into places of hope; God will give us the waters of life to strengthen us; God will be with us in every moment, in every place of our lives.

People: **Anointed with grace, fed with joy and wonder, we offer blessing and thanksgiving to the One who forgives us now and forever. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Anthem "Many Gifts, One Spirit" ~ *Pote* *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Acts 9: 36-43 (NIV)

³⁶ In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. ³⁷ About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. ³⁸ Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!" ³⁹ Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. ⁴⁰ Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. ⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

Sermon "Is Your Name Dorcas?" ~ *Jay Bender*

*Hymn of Response "Others" *see back cover*

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

~ Jay Bender

*Closing Hymn

"We're Marching to Zion"
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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

~ Our heartfelt thanks to Jay Bender for filling the pulpit this morning ~

Prayer List Additions as of 5/1/2022

*Annette Bell (at home - Hospice); Family of Ed Clayton (Vic Bryan);
Kimber Stone, Lauren Phillips, Trent McGee & Aileen Peacock – Members of the Greenville-Pitt
County Chamber of Commerce in head on collision (Jerry Burkot);
Our Military; PPC Childcare and Staff; Our Nation
Remember those who have any sickness or are shut-in for any reason.
Pray for those that have lost loved ones and are grieving.*

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

**~ Next Sunday, May 15th ~
Jeff Mizell will be filling the pulpit
during the morning worship service**



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Acts 9:36-43 and Psalm 23 or Isaiah 53:1-6 and Psalm 114;
Rev 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Daily Readings for May 8 – 14 use the following web link:

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

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*To all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Sisters and other
women in our lives that care for us and love us unconditionally,*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



***Congratulations to Joshua Beecher LeRay
Josh Graduated Saturday, May 7th from N.C. State University
with a Bachelor of Science in Forest Management***

He has accepted a position with Bartlett Tree Experts and will stay in the Raleigh area.

Address: 1300 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27604



**The
Gideons
International**

***The Gideons will be a part of the PPC Worship
Service Sunday morning, May 22nd. A Special Offering will be received.***

~ *Ushers for May: Thelma Edmondson & Eileen Griswold* ~

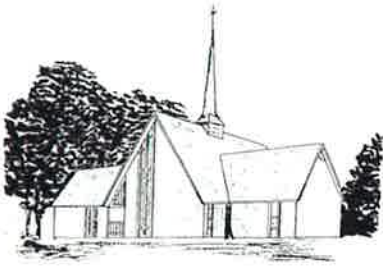
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Reminders & Announcements

**Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &
NOW Streaming Live on Facebook & Directly from Website
www.pollockvillepresbyterian.org**

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

Sundays	9:45 am	Sunday School – <i>Remember your Bibles!</i>
Wednesdays	6 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Monday, May 9th	7 pm	Presbyterian Women’s Circle Birthday Celebration
Sunday, May 22nd		Building Fund Sunday
		The Gideons will give a presentation during the morning worship service
Monday, May 30th		Childcare & Church Office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day
Sunday, June 5th	5 pm	Session Meeting



Guest Speakers for Pollockville Presbyterian Church

May 15		Jeff Mizell
May 22		Rev. Charles Elliott
May 29		Rev. Robbie Phillips
June 5	<i>Communion</i>	Rev. Jerrod Lowry
June 12		Rev. Clarence Page
June 19		-----
June 26		Rev. Gary Howell

Celebrating the Centennial of the Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women

The Offering originated in 1922 when Hallie Paxson Winsborough, superintendent of the Women's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. challenged every woman in the denomination to celebrate the Auxiliary's tenth anniversary by giving an offering to benefit a specific need identified by church leaders. Women were prompted to give "A penny for every year you have lived, and if that is a secret, bring a dollar!" That first year more than \$28,000 was raised for Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Kochi, Japan and to raise the entrance gate at Montreat, where the Auxiliary was originally organized.

Since then the PW Birthday Offering has awarded grants to over 200 projects, helping meet the PW's mission of spreading the Good News of Christ in the United States and beyond. Women's pennies and dollars have been used to build schools, hospitals, homes for children, shelters for victims of violence and for families needing housing. The Offering has also funded programs for teacher training, leadership development, hunger alleviation, and emergency relief.

As we celebrate this 100th year of the Birthday Offering, please give in honor of the women who generously gave in years past. Give in hope for the promise of generous Presbyterian Women (and men) who will continue to build this ministry for many years to come.

The Birthday Offering recipients for 2022 are:

Mission at the Eastward (MATE)
McCleary House Transitional Housing
Farmington, Maine
missionattheeastward.org

Iglesia Presbiteriana de Lares, Puerto Rico
Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand
Lares, Puerto Rico
facebook.com/iglesia.lares

[You're invited to our Birthday Celebration.](#)
[Monday May 9, 2022](#)
[7:00 p.m.](#)

Or give in the offering plate marking your check PW Birthday Offering. Offerings accepted through the end of the month.

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ELIZABETH MOE. SHIELDS.

1. Lord, help me live from day to day In such a self - for -
 2. Help me in all the work I do To ev - er be sin -
 3. Let "Self" be cru - ci - fied and slain And bur - ied deep: and
 4. And when my work on earth is done, And my new work in

get - ful way That e - ven when I kneel to pray My
 cere and true And know that all I'd do for you Must
 all in vain May ef - forts be to rise a - gain, Un -
 heav'n's be - gun, May I for - get the crown I've won, While

CHORUS.

pray'r shall be for— Oth - ers.
 needs be done for— Oth - ers.
 less to live for— Oth - ers.
 think - ing still of— Oth - ers. } Oth - ers, Lord, yes,

oth - ers, Let this my mot - to be, Help me to

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 live for oth - ers, That I may live like Thee.