

# POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**Sunday, June 11, 2023**

**Leader in Worship: The Reverend Marie C. Cone**  
**Music Accompanist: Jennifer Miller**

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church  
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

June 11, 2023

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

*Leader:* Who are we?

*People:* **We are children of God.**

*Leader:* What does it mean to be children of God?

*People:* **That we belong to God, who loves us.**

*Leader:* Come, let us worship our loving God!

Prayer of Invocation

~ Liturgist

\*The Peace of Christ

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

\*Opening Hymn

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

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*Sing to the Lord Hymnal*

Call to Confession\*

~ Rev. Cone

Beloved children of God, to open our hearts to God is to risk vulnerability, judgment, and condemnation. But throughout the scriptures, we learn that God is merciful and just, slow to anger, and eager to forgive. Let us then risk our confession, as we pray together.

Prayer of Confession\* *(Unison)*

**God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.**

*Silent Time of Reflection*

Assurance of God's Pardon

~ Rev. Cone

Scripture assures us that God is faithful and that his mercies are new every morning. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!

Anthem

"I Must Tell Jesus"

Elisha Hoffman

~ Choral Ensemble

Prayer for Illumination

~ Rev. Cone

Scriptures

John 3:1-8 (NRSV)

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup> What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Ezekiel 36:24-29 (NRSV)

<sup>24</sup> I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup> I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup> A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you, and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> I will put my spirit within you and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. <sup>28</sup> Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. <sup>29</sup> I will save you from all your uncleannesses, and I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.

Sermon

"Born of the Spirit"

~ Rev. Marie Cone

\*Hymn of Response

"Give Thanks"

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Sing to the Lord 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

~ Rev. Cone

Nurtured by your tender care and secure in your redeeming love, we approach you in confidence, O God, with our gifts and offerings. May they be used to bring refuge to the lost, deliverance to the captives, and protection to all who call on your name. For we bring them in the name of Christ, our source of salvation. AMEN

\*Closing Hymn

"Heaven Came Down"  
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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

\*Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'. Used with permission.

*Welcome!*

**to everyone who is worshipping with us today.**

*Thank You!*

**to Rev. Marie Cone for filling the pulpit this morning!**

**Next Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Ken Yearick will fill PPC's pulpit**



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

**Hosea 5:15-6:6 and Psalm 50:7-15; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

**Daily Readings for June 11 – 17 use the following web link:**

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/lectionary/>



**Prayer List Additions since 6-4-2023**

*Please keep Miller Mabe in your prayers as he recovers from hernia surgery. He is only several months old. He is the grandson of Mary & Lewis White of Pollocksville. Please keep Miller's mom, Allie, in your prayers as well (Janet Purvis); Ed Edmondson came home the day of his procedure. He's recovering, and he is on the mend. Please keep Ed and Thelma in your prayers (Jean Bender); Veronica Purvis, is doing much better. Meds seem to be working (Janet Purvis); This is the one-year anniversary of the death of their grand baby. Prayers for the parents, Tony & Vivian, and family (Chery Coeyman); Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church; PPC Childcare and Staff*

**Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.**

**HAPPY  
Father's  
Day**

**A Message from the Congregational Care Committee  
June 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Covered Dish Pot-Luck Luncheon**

**Following Sunday Morning Worship Service**

**Please plan to attend – Bring a covered dish of your choosing to share.**



**Ushers**

**June: Ed & Noreen Jekel**

**July: Diane McCaffity & Rebecca Long**





## Announcements & Reminders

**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**



**6 pm Choir Practice**

**Wednesdays**

**Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> 7 pm Presbyterian Women’s Circle Meeting in Sanctuary Annex**  
**– Cathy Campbell, Study Leader – Eileen Griswold, Hostess**

**Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> Father’s Day**  
**– Covered Dish Lunch for Father’s Day following the Worship Service**

**Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 8 am Men’s Breakfast – Team 2 – cook**  
**Building Fund Sunday**

**Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> NO Session Meeting planned for July**

**Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day – Office and Childcare Closed**

**Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> 7 pm Presbyterian Women’s Circle Meeting in Sanctuary Annex**

**Sunday, July 16 Finance Committee Meeting**



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*[fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org](mailto:fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org)*

*Please indicate what week you wish it to be included. Also, if you have any joys or concerns that need to be announced, please contact the church office.*

**Announcements for the bulletin need to be given to the secretary by Wednesday of each week. Articles or announcements for the PollyPress need to be to the Secretary by first thing Monday morning.**

### ***2023 Guest Speakers for Pollocksville Presbyterian Church***

<b><i>June 18</i></b>	<b><i>Kenneth Yearick</i></b>
<b><i>June 25</i></b>	<b><i>Rev. Andy Konigsmark</i></b>
<b><i>July 2</i></b>	<b><i>Jay Bender</i></b>
<b><i>July 9</i></b>	<b><i>Rev. Barbara Hager</i></b>
<b><i>July 16</i></b>	<b><i>Kenneth Yearick</i></b>
<b><i>July 23</i></b>	<b><i>Steve Mabie</i></b>
<b><i>July 30</i></b>	<b><i>Rev. Barbara Hager</i></b>