

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, August 24, 2025

Leader in Worship: Pastor Kenneth Yearick

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

11th Sunday After Pentecost

Backpack Sunday

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

August 24, 2025

Prelude "A Summer Aire" by Lani Smith ~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

Welcome and Announcements ~ Liturgist

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Leader: Holy Mystery, we are your children.

People: **We turn to you in wonder and in need.**

Leader: Loving Christ, you lay your hands on our wounds.

People: **We come bent over, and rise in praise.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, you give us power to heal.

People: **Touch us; guide us through worship; change us; and then send us out as new people. Let us praise the Lord!**

Prayer of Invocation ~ Liturgist

*Opening Hymn "Rise Up, O Church of God" #724
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

Call to Reconciliation ~ Pastor Yearick

Our lives are full of mistakes and errors – places where we follow self-generated idols instead of the One True God. We are not alone in these mistakes – all of those who have come before us also were plagued with temptation and sin. Let us come before God, just as generations of believers have done, and pray for God's forgiveness and grace. Let us pray...

Unison Prayer of Confession

You have given us a world of beauty, and we have spoilt it. A world to feed us, and so many go hungry. A world of riches, and we are unwilling to share. A world to care for, and we think only of ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, every time your heart is saddened by our selfishness, every time we have no thought for others, no cares but ours. Enable us to see this world as a gift from you that can be shared, and those who live on it as our neighbors. We ask this that your name may be glorified, through the beauty of this world, and the service of our lives. Amen.

Silence is Kept

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

Pastor: In this place we find God's word, God's way, God's love, God's forgiveness.

People: **What more do we need to sustain us as we continue as pilgrims along the Way?**

Pastor: In every wilderness, on every road; in every moment, in every life; in every journey, in every heart,

People: **We receive the daily bread we need— God's hope, God's mercy, God's joy.**

All: Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. 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 God's Children **"Bending the Rules"** ~ *Pastor Yearick*

*Passing of the Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Anthem "Come, All Servants of the Lord" *by Stan Pethel* ~ *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination ~ *Pastor Yearick*

The Scripture Lesson Old Testament Psalms 71:1-6 *(responsively)* *(Common English Bible Translation)*

Pastor: I've taken refuge in you, Lord. Don't let me ever be put to shame!

People: **Deliver me and rescue me by your righteousness! Bend your ear toward me and save me!**

Pastor: Be my rock of refuge where I can always escape.

People: **You commanded that my life be saved because you are my rock and my fortress.**

Pastor: My God, rescue me from the power of the wicked; rescue me from the grip of the wrongdoer and the oppressor

People: **because you are my hope, Lord. You, Lord, are the one I've trusted since childhood.**

Pastor: I've depended on you from birth— you cut the cord when I came from my mother's womb.

ALL: **My praise is always about you. Praise the Lord!**

The Gospel Reading Luke 13:10-17 (NIV)

¹⁰ On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹ and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." ¹³ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. ¹⁴ Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, "There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath." ¹⁵ The Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶ Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Message

"BENT OUT OF SHAPE"

~ Pastor Yearick

*The Affirmation Of Faith - 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.

*Hymn of Response

"Praise Ye the Triune God"

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Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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 Gifts

Offertory

"March in C" by Joseph Haydn

~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

*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

Dedicating Our Gifts, Talents, Pledges, And Blessing Backpacks,
Children And Teachers for the School Year

*Closing Hymn

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

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Sing to the Lord Hymnal

*The Charge and Benediction

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

"Consecration" by Donald Lee Moore

~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

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

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Welcome!

to everyone who is worshiping with us today.

**If you are looking for a church home, please feel free to join us.
Our membership is open to all. Please see the Pastor if you wish to join our
Church Family. Welcome to all!**



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 58:9b-14 and Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17

Daily Readings for August 24 – 30 use the following web link:

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



Prayer List

Continue to remember those on our prayer list from past weeks

Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church



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

Thursdays

6 pm Choir Practice – *note the change*

Sunday, August 24th

Building Fund Sunday

5 pm Church Social – Dinner – *See notice above*

Tuesday, August 26th

6 pm CPR / AED Training

Sunday, August 31st

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

5 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, September 1st

Labor Day – Church Offices Closed

Sunday, September 7th

5 pm Session Meeting

Sunday, September 14th

**Congregational Meeting following Morning Worship
– watch for details**

Stewardship Lunch

Sunday, September 28th

8 am Men's Breakfast

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

**Congregational Meeting following Morning Worship
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5 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Pledge Packets Go Out



The church secretary, Frances Waters, will be in and out of the office in the future. Please call the office at 252-224-8181 to make sure she is in the office and available. Sorry for any inconvenience.



“Blessing of the Backpacks” during today’s service



Ushers:

August - Ron Pound & Sandy Yearick

September - Eileen Griswold & Barbara Smith

October - Joan Knight & Jerry Burkot

November - Bob & Carol Mattocks

December - Vic Bryan & Kay Bender



This afternoon, Sunday, August 24th

*The Congregational Care Committee will be hosting a social event at
5 pm on August 24th at the church. Hot Dogs with all the fixings,
Homemade Ice Cream for Dessert! Dinner & Social Time
Come enjoy some fellowship with us*

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Special Invitation from the Filling Station



Ribbon cutting for New Warehouse

***You are cordially invited to join us for the
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the New Warehouse
Project supporting the Food Pantry program***

Monday, September 8, 2025 at 11:00 AM

Please RSVP by email: fsdirector@fillingstation1075.com

Location: 221 Main Street Pollocksville (behind MAIN building)



Defibrillator and CPR Training

A reminder to those that have signed up! ~ 6 pm on Tuesday, August 26th.



Happy Birthday! The Children of Addie Ruth Collins will have a 100th birthday celebration for their mother on September 6th at Pollocksville Methodist Church between the hours of 2 - 4 pm. Everyone is invited to help celebrate.



Please place any extra or unwanted bulletins in the white wastepaper bin at the rear of the Sanctuary for recycling. There are also wastepaper bins located in the library and the Ed Building Fellowship Hall.



The Session & Committee Chairs for 2025

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