

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, August 3, 2025

Leader in Worship: Pastor Kenneth Yearick

Organist/Choir Director: Debbie L. Fitzgerald

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church
8th Sunday After Pentecost
Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

August 3, 2025

Prelude

~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

Welcome and Announcements

~ Liturgist

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) (*inspired by Psalm 107 and Colossians 3:1-11*)

Leader: If you wish to be raised up with Christ, then seek the high ground where Christ is found.

People: **O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!**

Leader: Let the redeemed all say so together, those who have been liberated and gathered in from many lands.

People: **From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south,**

Leader: We seek the high ground where Christ is found.

People: **O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!**

Unison: **Let us worship our wonderful God.**

Prayer of Invocation

~ Liturgist

*Opening Hymn

"To God Be the Glory"
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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Call to Reconciliation

~ Pastor Yearick

Where do you seek joy in your life? We all have people, activities, or things that bring us moments of happiness. Sitting on the floor in a pile of puppies, hearing a baby giggle, a cool breeze on a hot day, mashed potatoes and gravy, or a squeezing hug from a loved one. However, all of these are just moments of joy. Moments are temporary and can lead us to temptation to relive a moment. We can also get caught in the trap of trying to create even greater moments. Temporary joys followed by longer periods of unhappiness. Or what happens when our expectations for happiness are not met or even denied to us or stolen from us? The seeking of the moment becomes an idol. An idol helps us realize that we have been seeking happiness and joy in the wrong direction. God is the true source of unending joy. With hearts open and minds expanded, let us confess to God with our prayer of confession. Let us pray...

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have blessed us with the entirety of your creation and we have taken it all and tried to place it in a box that we can control rather than manage. When we go against your will we wonder why life does not work out for us. In our brokenness we seek happiness and joy in things and expectations. Then, outside of your hope, we are crushed by the world around us and our own inward thoughts. Holy Father, shine your light into the dark days and nights of our lives. Forgive us for falling from your love and blessings, and for the sake of Jesus, restore in us the joy that only comes through your Spirit living in us and through us. Amen.

Silence is Kept

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

Pastor: Through his unending mercy and grace, our heavenly Father offers his Son Jesus Christ in exchange for our brokenness.

People: **Jesus is the light the brings joy in the morning and leads us to eternity by grace through faith.**

Pastor: He has destroyed the grip of darkness that crushes the spirit and allows me to announce to you the good news: your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: **Thanks be to God. 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

"Treasures In Heaven"

~ *Pastor Yearick*

*Passing of the Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Prayer for Illumination

~ *Pastor Yearick*

The Scripture Readings

The Old Testament Psalm 107:1-22 (NIV)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. ²Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story — those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, ³those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south. ⁴Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle. ⁵They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. ⁶Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. ⁷He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle. ⁸Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, ⁹for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. ¹⁰Some sat in darkness, in utter darkness, prisoners suffering in iron chains, ¹¹because they rebelled against God's commands and despised the plans of the Most High. ¹²So he subjected them to bitter labor; they stumbled, and there was no one to help. ¹³Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. ¹⁴He brought them out of darkness, the utter darkness, and broke away their chains. ¹⁵Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, ¹⁶for he breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron. ¹⁷Some became fools through their rebellious ways and suffered affliction because of their iniquities. ¹⁸They loathed all food and drew near the gates of death. ¹⁹Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. ²⁰He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. ²¹Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind. ²²Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

The Gospel Lesson Luke 12:13-21 (NIV)

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" ¹⁵Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." ¹⁶And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' ¹⁸"Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'" ²⁰"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' ²¹"This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*Hymn of Response

“I Am Thine, O Lord”
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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*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.

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

~ 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

*Closing Hymn

“Father, I Adore You”
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

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*The Charge and Benediction

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23 and Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Daily Readings for August 3 – 9 use the following web link:

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

Welcome!

Welcome to everyone who is worshipping 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!***



***Communion By Intinction – Sunday Morning during Worship,
August 10, 2025***



Prayer List Additions (as of 7/27/2025)

Cheryl Coeyman – Prayers for Jerrod Lowry – the stated Clerk for the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina as he has recently been diagnosed with Colon Cancer. Laura Lupton will be assuming his duties and is the person to reach out to with any questions.

Cheryl Coeyman – Prayers for Michael as he is still very sick/cough and he will be undergoing a heart Cath on August 4th for evaluation of a heart blockage.

Debbie Fitzgerald – Prayers for her sister-in-law and please continue to pray for Drew as he has some very serious health issues.

Rebecca Long – Hayes' father William had his tonsils removed this past week

Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church



Ushers: September ushers needed

Please see Shirley Bryan or use sign-up sheet at the rear of the sanctuary.

August - Ron Pound & Sandy Yearick

October - Joan Knight & Jerry Burkot

November - Bob & Carol Mattocks

December - Vic Bryan & Kay Bender



The August meeting of the WOC will be a time of fellowship and sharing. All women of the church are invited. Bring a salad, finger food, or dessert to share. August 11th at 7 p.m. An introduction to the upcoming study will be given.



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***

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

Sunday, August 3rd

5 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday, August 6th

3 pm Personnel Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 6th

6 pm Choir Practice Resumes

Sunday, August 10th

Communion during the Morning Worship Service

Monday, August 11th

7 pm Presbyterian Women Annual Meeting

All women of the church are invited - Time of fellowship and sharing

Sunday, August 24th

8 am Men's Breakfast Team 2 to cook

Building Fund Sunday

5 pm Finance Committee Meeting

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

Sunday, August 31st

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

Monday, September 1st

Labor Day – Church Offices Closed



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.



Please visit PPC website: www.pollockvillepresbyterian.org

Please keep the church secretary updated with any phone number, address or email changes.

Also, prayer requests and changes to the prayer list are needed as soon as possible.



Phone 252-224-8181

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View our LIVE STREAMS on Sundays at 11 a.m.

Pollocksville Presbyterian Church streams the morning worship service on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/PollocksvillePresbyterian>) and YouTube

(<https://www.youtube.com/@pollockvillepreschurch>). No login is needed to view on YouTube.

Our website also shows the stream at the bottom of the homepage while it is LIVE.

Just a reminder that past PPC services are available online. Use the following link.

pollockvillepresbyterian.org/weekly-videos/



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