

# **POLLOCKSVILLE** PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**September 18, 2022**

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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

September 18, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

*Leader:* Our help is in the name of the lord, who made heaven and earth.

*People:* **Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name;  
deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake.**

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

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

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*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Creator of the universe, casualty of our sin, breath of life, we come trembling before you for we have hoarded and bartered what has never been ours in the hope of securing our future. We have yearned for wealth more than we have yearned for you. We have squandered your trust and grieved your heart with our betrayal. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake.**

*A Moment of Silent Confession*

Assurance of God's Pardon

*Leader:* Our loving God desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Hear the good news!  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Hear My Words” by Stephen Paulus

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Rev. Cynthia Williams

Scripture

Gospel Lesson Luke 16: 1-13 (NRSV)

16 <sup>1</sup> Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. <sup>2</sup> So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ <sup>3</sup> Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup> I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ <sup>5</sup> So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup> He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ <sup>7</sup> Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ <sup>8</sup> And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. <sup>9</sup> And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes. <sup>10</sup> “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup> If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup> No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Sermon

“Higher Math”

~ Rev. Cynthia Williams

\*Hymn of Response

“When We Are Living”  
The Presbyterian Hymnal

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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 *(Unison)*

**Gracious God, source of our daily bread and sabbath trust, you feed us with your love and equip us to share in your purpose. Receive the offerings of our wounded spirits, our guarded purses, our meager strength, and continue to expand our hearts, until we live with the boldness and joy of Easter morning; for we pray in the name of your son, Jesus, and by the power of your spirit. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn

**"We Give Thee but Thine Own"**  
*The Presbyterian Hymnal*

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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



**TODAY – Stewardship Luncheon – Lunch will be provided  
Followed by Questions & Answers on the Budget**

**Pledge packets go out September 28<sup>th</sup> / Packets due back by October 30<sup>th</sup>**



**The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
at the conclusion of the Morning Worship Hour for the following purpose:**

*to receive the report from the Nominating Committee, and if the way be clear, to proceed to  
the election of three (3) Ruling Elders to the Class of 2025.*

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**~ We welcome Rev. Cynthia Williams back to PPC this morning ~**

**~ Next Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> ~**

**Rev. Clarence Page will be filling the pulpit  
during the morning worship service**



**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

Amos 8:4-7 and Psalm 113; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

**Daily Readings for September 18 – 24 use the following web link:**

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

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**Prayer List** (Additions as of 9-11-2022)

*Charles and Ann Marie and family on sudden loss of their daughter Ciara Jekel (Noreen Jekel)*

*People of Great Britain after loss of the Queen (Noreen Jekel)*

*Those from 9-11 who passed, prayers for their families and friends (Noreen Jekel)*

*Eva Barwick and her family (Dianne Bell)*

**Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress. Please contact the church office with prayer concerns.**

***These names will remain on this list for 3 weeks.***



***Usher for October: Ron Pound***

***Please contact John Bender if you can help***



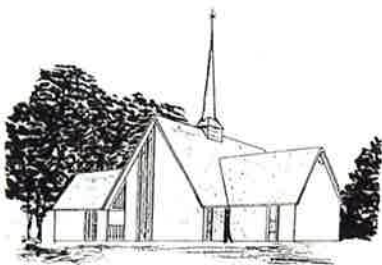
## **Reminders & Announcements**

**Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary & Streaming Live on Facebook & Directly from Website: [www.pollockvillepresbyterian.org](http://www.pollockvillepresbyterian.org)**

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

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>9:45 am Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!</b>
	<b>11 am Children’s Sunday School</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>6 pm Choir Practice</b>
<b>September 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stewardship Luncheon following Worship</b>
<b>September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8 am Men’s Breakfast - Team 1 cook</b>
	<b>Building Fund Sunday</b>
	<b>Congregational Meeting following Worship (see below)</b>
	<b>Crop Walk – Registration at 2 pm – Union Point</b>
<b>September 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6 pm Childcare Meeting</b>
<b>October 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Communion during Morning Worship</b>
	<b>5 pm Session Meeting</b>
<b>October 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>HOMECOMING at PPC</b>

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

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| <b>September 25</b>           | <b>Rev. Clarence Page</b>     |
| <b>October 2 (Communion)</b>  | <b>Rev. Dave Vanderbilt</b>   |
| <b>October 9 (Homecoming)</b> | <b>???</b>                    |
| <b>October 16</b>             | <b>Rev. Dr. Nancy Gladden</b> |
| <b>October 23</b>             | <b>Steve Mabie</b>            |
| <b>October 30</b>             | <b>Rev. Clarence Page</b>     |
| <b>November 6</b>             | <b>Rev. Bill James</b>        |
| <b>November 13</b>            | <b>Rev. Cynthia Williams</b>  |
| <b>November 20</b>            | <b>Rev. Marie Cone</b>        |





*The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) members are  
Jerry Burkot, Eileen Griswold, Adam Ross, Kay Bender,  
Hilda Bender and Blair Purvis.*

*Please keep them, and the important work they have ahead of them,  
in your prayers.*

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*The Church Secretary will be out of the office and unavailable  
Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>,  
Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.*



**8 am – Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> – Team 1 Cook**



**Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – World-wide Communion Sunday  
Communion during Morning Worship**



## **Pollocksville Presbyterian Church Homecoming**

**Sunday 2022 ~ October 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Sunday School will begin at 9:45. At 11:00, our Worship Service will be held in the sanctuary. A catered lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service. We plan to have tents set up on the lawn in front of the Education Building for a true “Dinner on the Grounds” (weather permitting). Please plan to come join us for worship and stay for lunch.*

**Please RSVP so we can have an accurate count for lunch.**



*You are invited to the GRAND Reopening & Open House  
Of the Eastern Carolina Center for Women's Ministries*

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*Please join us as we celebrate  
the Restoration of our Ministry after  
Hurricane Florence*

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Sunday, September 25, 2022

2 – 4 PM

209 Foy Street – Pollocksville, NC 28573

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**The Filling Station still needs your vote!**

The Filling Station is a recipient of the True Inspiration Award by Chick-Fil-A. They are the only organization in the State of North Carolina and 1 of 5 in the Atlantic Region. Part of the process is to ask that our supporters VOTE through the *Chick-Fil-A App*. Voting has begun and will go until September 24<sup>th</sup>.

*Here are the details:*

*VOTE for The Filling Station to receive \$30,000-\$200,000 True Inspiration Award.*

- 1. Download the Chick-Fil-A app**
- 2. Click on Rewards**
- 3. Go to Atlantic Region**
- 4. Click on Filling Station and cast your vote**