

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

1st Sunday of Christmas

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

December 26, 2021

Prelude "O Come All Ye Faithful" *arr. Gordon Young*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

Leader: The Lord God made us and all things so that we could serve Him with joy.

People: **We are ready, O Lord, for You to send Jesus to rule over Your world. Come quickly to save us, so that violence and crying shall end, and Your children shall live in peace.**

Leader: We praise God that He leads us in His paths to honor Him as we show Justice and love to one another.

All: **We enter to worship with joy as we come through Jesus Christ, who lives in power with You, and with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

#41

Presbyterian Hymnal

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.

Silence is observed

Assurance of Pardon *(Responsive)*

God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace; we might have the hope of eternal life. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Anthem “In the Bleak Midwinter” ~ Christina Rossetti / Gustav Holst
Jennifer Miller, alto

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture John1:14

All hymns from the *Presbyterian Hymnal*

Luke 2:1-7

Hymn “What Child Is This” #53 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “O Little Town of Bethlehem” #44 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “Away in a Manger” #25 vs 1 & 2

Luke 2:8-14

Hymn “Once in Royal David's City” #49 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “The First Nowell” #56 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” #38 vs 1 & 2

Luke 2:15-20

Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High” #23 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing” #31 vs 1 & 2

Hymn “Joy to the World” #40 vs 1 & 2

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.

Offertory "Burgundian Carol" *arr. Larson* *Jen Miller, violin*

*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*)

Father, we offer these gifts to You. Everything we have comes from You, *the giver of every good and perfect gift*. We return to You this portion as an offering from thankful hearts. Guide its use that these offerings may be used to glorify Your name; to proclaim Christ; and to meet the needs of others. In Christ's name we ask this. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #29
Presbyterian Hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" ~ *Gordon Young*

*Please rise in body or spirit **Bold:** Congregation Speaks
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~ ***Next Sunday, January 2nd*** ~

Jeff Mizell will fill PPC's pulpit for the morning worship service

~ ***Sunday, January 9th*** ~

**11 am During Morning Worship – Ordination & Installation of Officers
and Communion**

December Ushers: Bob & Carol Mattocks

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"The poinsettias in the sanctuary this morning were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John D. and Virginia Jenkins by Carol and Bob Mattocks."

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For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 52:7-10 and Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12); John 1:1-14

Daily Readings for December 26 – January 1 use the following web link:

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

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**The Annual Christmas Joy Offering was received Sunday, December 19th
\$245 has been received.**

If you still wish to give, please place your gift in the offering plate. Designate for Joy offering.

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Prayer List Additions as of 12/19/2021

*Craig Daniels passed away (Sheron Bender); Ron Munyon passed away (Sheron Bender);
The Family of Elizabeth Jones Waters - Frances Waters' sister in law (Shirley Bryan)
The family of Catherine Brinson Bender (Carol Mattocks)*

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

For Joys and Concerns Please contact the church secretary by email

*fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org or call 252-224-8181 with any joys, prayer requests or updates.
Please include the name, the person requesting and the reason prayer is needed (if you wish this to be included). Please do the same for any joy. It cannot be stressed enough that without your help in this, someone may get overlooked. Do not assume that we know if someone is in need of prayer.*

Sunday School will resume on Sunday, January 9th at 9:45 am. Feasting on the Word Sunday School lesson sheets are available under the mail boxes in the Education Building. You will also receive this information by email each month. Call the church office if you have questions.

Announcements

Sunday Mornings: 11:00 a.m. – Worship in the Church Sanctuary & NOW Streaming Live on Facebook

No Bible study December – to resume January 2022

No Choir Rehearsal until Wednesday, January 5th at 6 pm - Please note time change

December 23rd – 31st PPC Childcare closed - to reopen Monday, January 3rd

Please call the church office for availability of the Secretary during the holidays

Sunday, January 9th 9:45 am Sunday School will resume

11 am Ordination & Installation Service

Communion

5 pm Session Meeting