

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

20th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

October 18, 2020

Prelude

"Alleluia"

~ Bach ~

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

~ Stewardship ~

John & Dana Bender

Call to Worship (*Responsive*) (Source- *Presbyterian Church in Canada*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God crowns the year with bounty;

Pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy.

Valleys deck themselves with grain;

they shout and sing together for joy.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord or declare all God's praise?

Let us praise God together for all God's goodness to us.

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

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

See Insert

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession (Source- *Presbyterian Church in Canada*)

Generous and loving God, we confess that in a world where many do not have enough, we enjoy more than we need. In a world where many live in fear, we take peace for granted.

In a world where many have lost hope, we become indifferent to despair and grumble about small things.

Forgive us, merciful God, and transform our lives to shine with the generosity, peace and hope you offer us in Christ Jesus.

Assurance of Pardon *(Responsive)* (Source- *Presbyterian Church in Canada*)

Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

32:1 The people saw that Moses was taking a long time to come down from the mountain. They gathered around Aaron and said to him, “Come on! Make us gods who can lead us. As for this man Moses who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we don’t have a clue what has happened to him.” **2** Aaron said to them, “All right, take out the gold rings from the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” **3** So all the people took out the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. **4** He collected them and tied them up in a cloth. Then he made a metal image of a bull calf, and the people declared, “These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” **5** When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf. Then Aaron announced, “Tomorrow will be a festival to the Lord!” **6** They got up early the next day and offered up entirely burned offerings and brought well-being sacrifices. The people sat down to eat and drink and then got up to celebrate. **7** The Lord spoke to Moses: “Hurry up and go down! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, are ruining everything! **8** They’ve already abandoned the path that I commanded. They have made a metal bull calf for themselves. They’ve bowed down to it and offered sacrifices to it and declared, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” **9** The Lord said to Moses, “I’ve been watching these people, and I’ve seen how stubborn they are. **10** Now leave me alone! Let my fury burn and devour them. Then I’ll make a great nation out of you.” **11** But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God, “Lord, why does your fury burn against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and amazing force? **12** Why should the Egyptians say, ‘He had an evil plan to take the people out and kill them in the mountains and so wipe them off the earth’? Calm down your fierce anger. Change your mind about doing terrible things to your own people. **13** Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, whom you yourself promised, ‘I’ll make your descendants as many as the stars in the sky. And I’ve promised to give your descendants this whole land to possess for all time.’” **14** Then the Lord changed his mind about the terrible things he said he would do to his people.

Sermon “Calm” ~ Rev. Thomas Wesley Moore, IV

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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.

*Closing Hymn

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

"Bourrée"

~ Handel ~

*Please rise in body or spirit

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For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

Daily Readings for October 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 10/18/2020

Dale Caveny (Requested by Steve Long) who lost his wife to complications from COVID-19, Eleanor Olsen Falls (requested by Jean Bender), Sandra Graham (Lyle Swanger), Rocky Grubb (fell from ladder), Bob and Gera Howe, Louisiana and the aftermath of Hurricane Delta, Rev. Brian Miles (COVID-19, requested by Jen Miller), Jackie Morris (Shirley Bryan), PPC Music Ministry during the transition, Zane Swanger (Lyle Swanger's brother), 2020 Election, Tyler & Polly Whitehead (requested by Kay Bender).

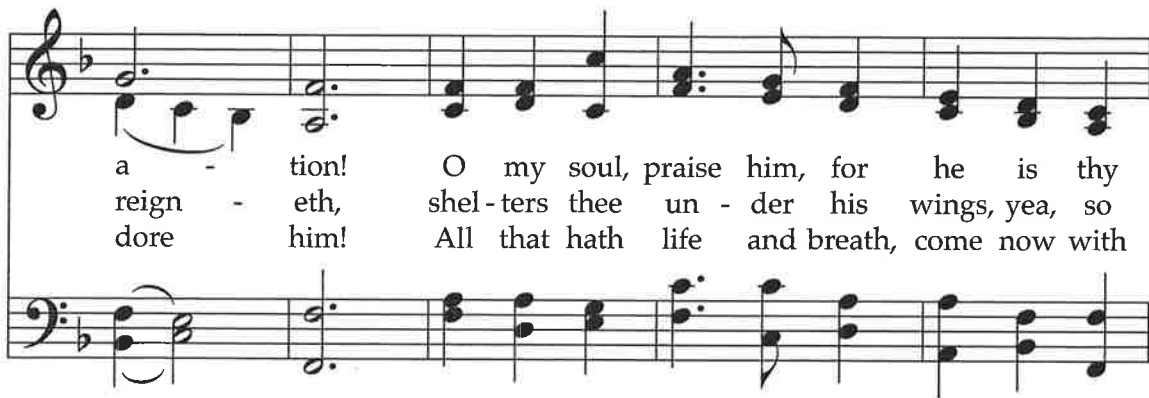
Please keep in your prayers those struggling to cope due to this pandemic. Continue to pray for the schools – Remember the administration, teachers, students, and parents during this difficult time. Continue praying for all our brothers and sisters all over the world!

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

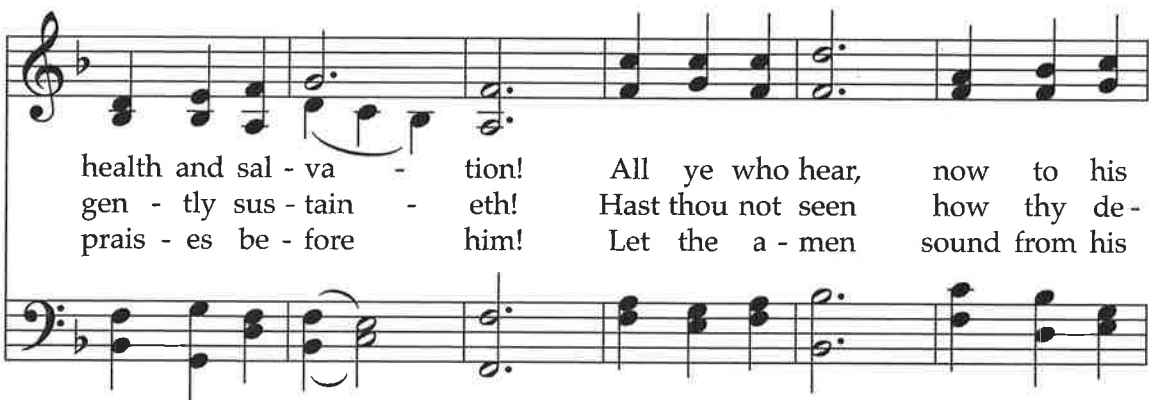
35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



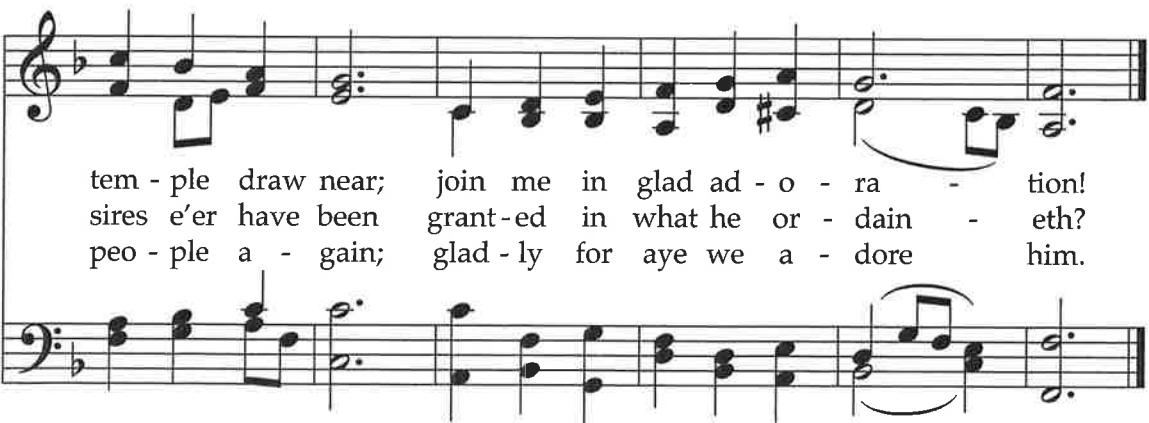
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

724 O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
 2 O let me feel thee near me! The world is ev - er near:
 3 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 4 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee

be thou for - ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 I see the sights that daz - zle; the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if thou art by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if thou wilt be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, draw thou near - er and shield my soul from sin.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Written to highlight the promises made by the author's daughter and two sons at their confirmation, this text equally well recalls the promises of discipleship made in Baptism and in the Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant. The tune was written for a text now unused.