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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

24th Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

November 15, 2020

Prelude

“Processional of Joy”

~ Hopson ~

Welcome and Announcements

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

God of all times and places, we gather to worship you.

We turn our eyes to you and rejoice in your presence.

God of all gifts and blessings, we gather to sing your praise.

We turn our eyes to you and marvel at your power and your promise.

God of all might and mercy, we gather to learn how to follow your Son.

We turn our eyes to you and seek the way you have set before us in Christ.

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 Day of Rest and Gladness”

See Insert

Call to Confession

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

Compassionate and loving God, we confess we have not always lived faithfully. We fill our days with things that do not matter. We seek simple answers to complex issues. We are weighed down by many tasks, yet we cannot sort out our priorities. We fail to hear your call on our lives. Hear our silent confession and forgive us, merciful God, in Jesus' name.

Silence is observed

Assurance of Pardon (*Responsive*)

(Source- *Romans 8:38-39 and the Presbyterian Church in Canada*)

Friends, remember the promise Paul declared: Neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Let us rejoice that, no matter what is happening around us, no matter what we have done, God's deep love will never let us go.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

~ arr. Ortega ~

~ Mary Ann LeRay & Amber Swanger

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Matthew 25:14-30

(Common English Bible)

25:14 “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who was leaving on a trip. He called his servants and handed his possessions over to them. **15** To one he gave five valuable coins, and to another he gave two, and to another he gave one. He gave to each servant according to that servant’s ability. Then he left on his journey. **16** “After the man left, the servant who had five valuable coins took them and went to work doing business with them. He gained five more. **17** In the same way, the one who had two valuable coins gained two more. **18** But the servant who had received the one valuable coin dug a hole in the ground and buried his master’s money. **19** “Now after a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. **20** The one who had received five valuable coins came forward with five additional coins. He said, ‘Master, you gave me five valuable coins. Look, I’ve gained five more.’ **21** “His master replied, ‘Excellent! You are a good and faithful servant! You’ve been faithful over a little. I’ll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.’ **22** “The second servant also came forward and said, ‘Master, you gave me two valuable coins. Look, I’ve gained two more.’ **23** “His master replied, ‘Well done! You are a good and faithful servant. You’ve been faithful over a little. I’ll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.’ **24** “Now the one who had received one valuable coin came and said, ‘Master, I knew that you are a hard man. You harvest grain where you haven’t sown. You gather crops where you haven’t spread seed. **25** So I was afraid. And I hid my valuable coin in the ground. Here, you have what’s yours.’ **26** “His master replied, ‘You evil and lazy servant! You knew that I harvest grain where I haven’t sown and that I gather crops where I haven’t spread seed? **27** In that case, you should have turned my money over to the bankers so that when I returned, you could give me what belonged to me with interest. **28** Therefore, take from him the valuable coin and give it to the one who has ten coins. **29** Those who have much will receive more, and they will have more than they need. But as for those who don’t have much, even the little bit they have will be taken away from them. **30** Now take the worthless servant and throw him out into the farthest darkness.’ “People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth.

Sermon

“Hidden Gifts”

~

Rev. Thomas Wesley Moore, IV

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.

*Closing Hymn

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

See Insert

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

“Joyful, Joyful”

~ *Beethoven* ~

*Please rise in body or spirit

Bold: Congregation Speaks



Annual Congregational Meeting after Worship Service

To include the vote on the recommendation on the sale of the Newsome Property



Sunday, November 29th – Communion during the Worship Service

For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

Daily Readings for November 15 – 21 use the following web link:

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


Prayer List Additions as of 11/15/2020

Mike Coeyman (recovering – back surgery), Joan Dupper (requested by Ed Valentine), Bob Howe, Our Country and the Election Process, The Family of Johnny Sampson (died of COVID – requested by the Mattocks'), Eric Vandiver & wife, Heather (COVID – Eric is Pastor T. Wes' brother)


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!


393 O Day of Rest and Gladness




1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion the light first had its birth;
3 On you, God's peo - ple, meet - ing, the Ho - ly Scrip- ture hear,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
on you, for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
Christ's liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through bread and wine made near.



on you, the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious sent Spir - it forth from heaven.
New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" to the great God tri - une.
And thus on you, most glo - rious, a tri - ple light was given.
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

In this text the first day of the week represents a threefold commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost—each an encounter with Trinitarian activity centered on one of the Three Persons. The tune name recalls the secular German song adapted for use with several hymns.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D)

(Bm)

(G)

F

Dm

B \flat



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D)

(Bm)

F

Dm



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G)

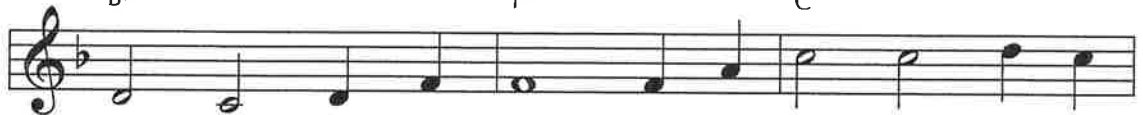
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F

C



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm)

(F \sharp m)

(Bm)

(G)

(A)

(D)

Dm

Am

Dm

B \flat

C

F



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm)

(G)

(D)

Dm

B \flat

F



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

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