

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

1st Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

February 21, 2021

Prelude “Herzlich tut mich verlangen” *J.S. Bach*

Welcome and Announcements

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

We begin our journey through Lent.

We will seek awareness of God’s presence with us on the way.

We come to find light in the shadows and strength in our weakness.

We will join in praise as we remember God’s faithfulness.

We seek God’s mercy and truth step by step, day by day.

We will trust in God’s steadfast love. So let us worship God with grateful hearts!

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 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” *See Insert*

Call to Confession

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

O God, you made a covenant with us in faithfulness, but we confess we are not always so faithful to you. We grow tired and restless when things don’t go our way. We lose patience with others. We lack compassion for our neighbors in need, and even forget to express our love for those closest to us.

Forgive us, gracious God. Lead us in the way we should go. Make us prisms of your love, making rainbows of your light, creating beauty and deepening hope wherever we go, for the sake of Christ, our Lord.

Silence is observed

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsive)* (Source- *Mark 1:15*)

Trust the good news. Jesus proclaimed that the kingdom of God has come near. Trust in his forgiving love for you and forgive one another in his name.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

Medley of Hymns

Shirley Bryan, dulcimer - Jeremy LeRay, guitar - Jennifer Miller, violin

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

1 Peter 3:18-22 *(Common English Bible)*

18 Christ himself suffered on account of sins, once for all, the righteous one on behalf of the unrighteous. He did this in order to bring you into the presence of God. Christ was put to death as a human, but made alive by the Spirit. **19** And it was by the Spirit that he went to preach to the spirits in prison. **20** In the past, these spirits were disobedient—when God patiently waited during the time of Noah. Noah built an ark in which a few (that is, eight) lives were rescued through water. **21** Baptism is like that. It saves you now—not because it removes dirt from your body but because it is the mark of a good conscience toward God. Your salvation comes through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, **22** who is at God's right side. Now that he has gone into heaven, he rules over all angels, authorities, and powers.

The Confession of 1967 9.08

In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them he took upon himself the judgment under which all men stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all men.

Sermon

"The Grace of Jesus Christ" ~ *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

“Grace Greater than Our Sin”

See Insert

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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

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Sunday, March 7th ~ Session Meeting at 5 pm

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For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Genesis 9:8-17 and Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 19:9-15

Daily Readings for February 21 – 27 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 2/21/2021

*Cheryl & Mike Coeyman, Summer & Zeb Hough,
Bob and Gera Howe, Karl and Bonnie Zimmermann*

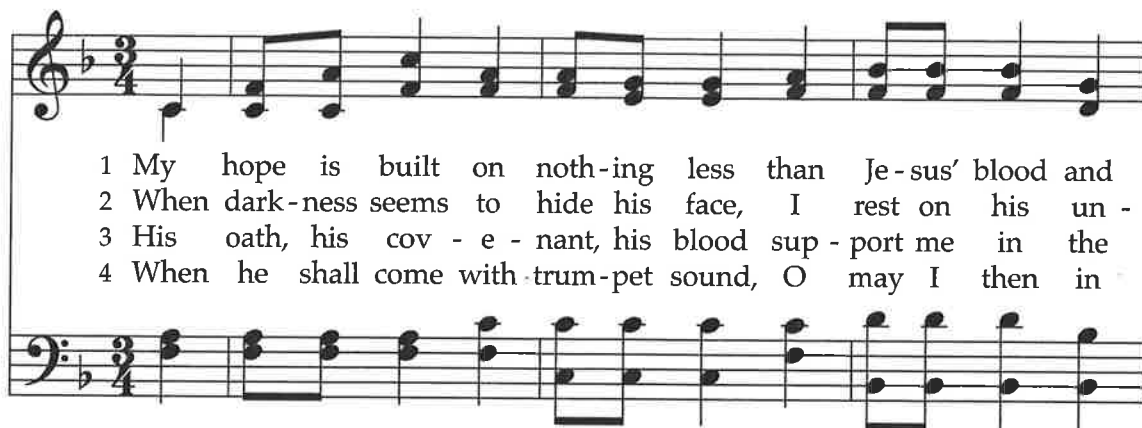
Please keep in your prayers those struggling to cope due to this pandemic.

Please pray for the schools - Remember the administration, teachers, students and parents during this difficult time.

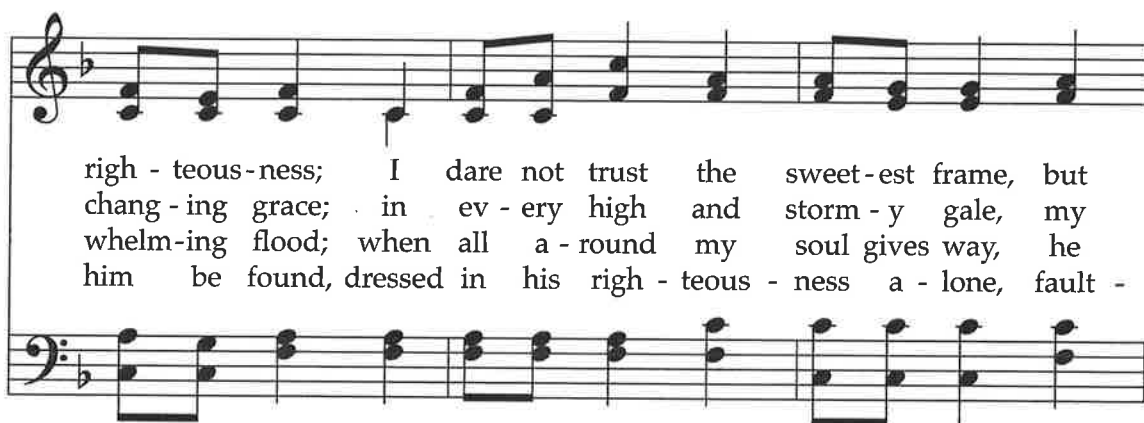
Continue praying for all our brothers and sisters all over the world!

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

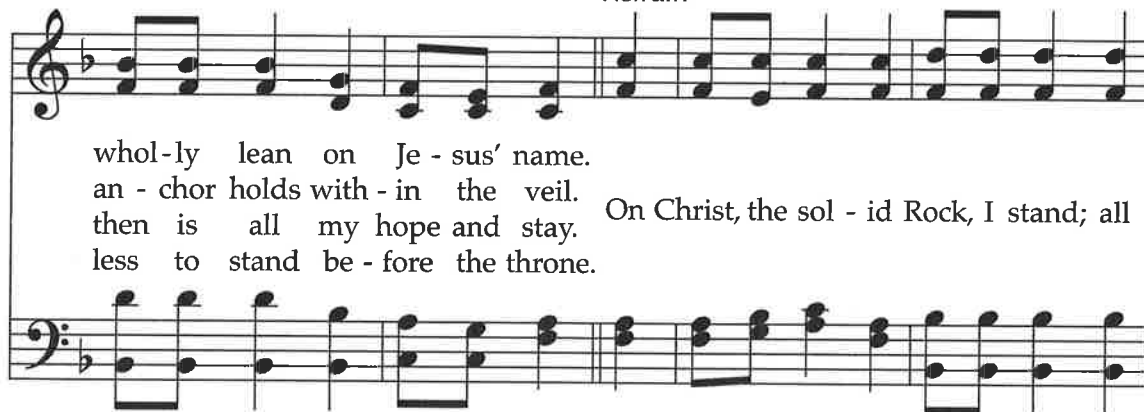
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353



1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4 When he shall come with -trum-pet sound, O may I then in



right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
 him be found, dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain


whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be - fore the throne.



oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24-27 / Luke 6:47-49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.

Grace Greater than Our Sin

1. Mar - vel - ous grace of our lov - ing Lord,
 2. Sin and de - spair, like the sea waves cold,
 3. Dark is the stain that we can - not hide.
 4. Mar - vel - ous, in - fi - nite, match - less grace,

grace that ex - ceeds our sin and our guilt!
 threat - en the soul with in - fi - nite loss;
 What can a - vail to wash it a - way?
 free - ly be - stowed on all who be - lieve!

Yon - der on Cal - va - ry's mount out - poured,
 grace that is great - er, yes, grace un - told,
 Look! There is flow - ing a crim - son tide,
 You that are long - ing to see his face,

there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
 points to the ref - uge, the might - y cross.
 bright - er than snow you may be to - day.
 will you this mo - ment his grace re - ceive?

Refrain

Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will par - don and

cleans with - in; grace, grace, God's grace,

grace that is great - er than all our sin!