

# POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**March 21, 2021**

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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

March 21, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

Come, all who desire to know God.

**Come, all who yearn to see Jesus.**

Come, all who thirst for the Spirit.

**God is in our midst this day.**

So let us praise God's holy name.

**We will worship God with heart, mind, strength and soul, and declare  
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

"My Savior's Love"

*See Insert*

Call to Confession

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

**Jesus, our friend and Savior,**

**As we ponder your sacrifice, we recognize the self-centered ways in  
which we lead our lives. You entrust us with the task of sharing your  
love in this world, yet we often fall short. We get lost in our own  
plans and worries and neglect to show love, even to those right beside  
us.**

**We find some people too difficult to care for. We think some people  
unworthy of your love and ours. Our own needs seem insurmountable  
and we cannot reach out to someone else.**

**Forgive us, Lord Jesus. Renew a right spirit within us, so that we find  
the courage to go on and the compassion to reach out in your name.  
Amen.**

*Silence is observed*

## Assurance of God's Pardon (Source- *Adapted from Matthew 11:28*)

Jesus said, come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Friends, trust that peace and forgiveness are God's gifts to you this day. Be renewed by the power of the Spirit that moves with you into each new day.

**Amen!**

## Anthem

## Prayer for Illumination

## Scripture

## Psalm 51

(*Common English Bible*)

For the music leader. A psalm of David, when the prophet Nathan came to him just after he had been with Bathsheba.

**1** Have mercy on me, God, according to your faithful love! Wipe away my wrongdoings according to your great compassion! **2** Wash me completely clean of my guilt; purify me from my sin! **3** Because I know my wrongdoings, my sin is always right in front of me. **4** I've sinned against you—you alone. I've committed evil in your sight. That's why you are justified when you render your verdict, completely correct when you issue your judgment. **5** Yes, I was born in guilt, in sin, from the moment my mother conceived me. **6** And yes, you want truth in the most hidden places; you teach me wisdom in the most secret space. **7** Purify me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me and I will be whiter than snow. **8** Let me hear joy and celebration again; let the bones you crushed rejoice once more. **9** Hide your face from my sins; wipe away all my guilty deeds! **10** Create a clean heart for me, God; put a new, faithful spirit deep inside me! **11** Please don't throw me out of your presence; please don't take your holy spirit away from me. **12** Return the joy of your salvation to me and sustain me with a willing spirit. **13** Then I will teach wrongdoers your ways, and sinners will come back to you. **14** Deliver me from violence, God, God of my salvation, so that my tongue can sing of your righteousness. **15** Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will proclaim your praise. **16** You don't want sacrifices. If I gave an entirely burned offering, you wouldn't be pleased. **17** A broken spirit is my sacrifice, God. You won't despise a heart, God, that is broken and crushed. **18** Do good things for Zion by your favor. Rebuild Jerusalem's walls. **19** Then you will again want sacrifices of righteousness— entirely burned offerings and complete offerings. Then bulls will again be sacrificed on your altar.

## The Confession of 1967 9.50

The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. In that response, it commits itself afresh to its mission, experiences a deepening of faith and obedience, and bears open testimony to the gospel. Adoration of God is acknowledgment of the Creator by the creation. Confession of sin is admission of all men's guilt before God and of their need for his forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God's goodness to all men and in giving for the needs of others. Petitions and intercessions are addressed to God for the continuation of his goodness, the healing of men's ills, and their deliverance from every form of oppression. The arts, especially music and architecture, contribute to the praise and prayer of a Christian congregation when they help men to look beyond themselves to God and to the world which is the object of his love.

## Sermon

*"The Equipment of the Church"*

~ 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

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

*See Insert*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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

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**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

*Jeremiah 31:31-34 and Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33*

**Daily Readings for March 21 – 27 use the following web link:**

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

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**Holy Week Services at Pollocksville Presbyterian Church**

Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – 11 am – Palm Sunday Worship Service

Monday – Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> – 7 am –

Morning Prayer services at PPC

Maundy Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup> – 7 pm – Service & Communion

Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – 11 am – Sunday Service at PPC

with Flowering the Cross prior to worship service

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***Prayer List Additions as of 3/21/2021***

*Rev. Dr. Steve Booth and Shepherd's Staff Ministry (Pastor T. Wes), Megan Ervin (Kay Bender),*

*Louis & Carol Foy, The Family of Sybil Harriett, John Hewett (Coeymans), Bob & Gera Howe,*

*The Family of Richard Hudson (Coeymans), Jen Miller and Family, Carl Smith (Coeymans),*

*Rev. Dr. Dorothee Tripodi and Union Presbyterian Seminary (Pastor T. Wes), Distribution of Vaccines*

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

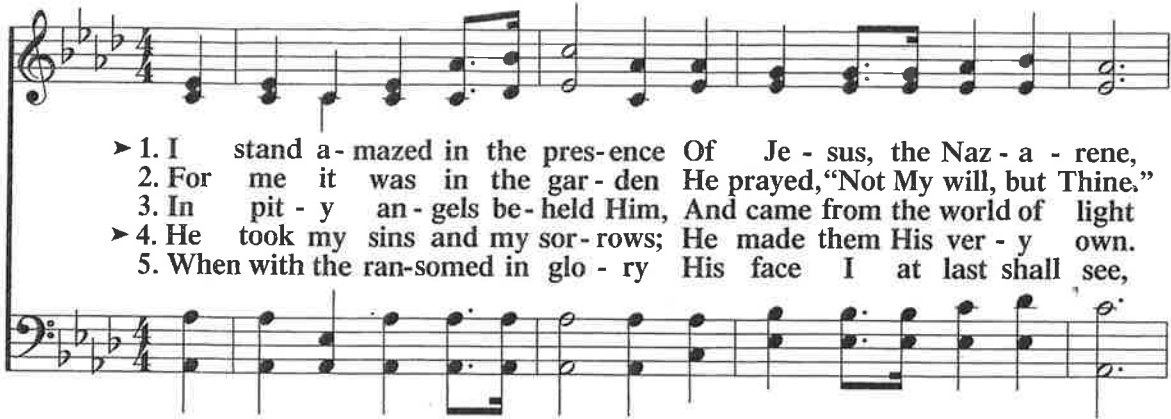
*Please pray for the schools - Remember the administration, teachers, students and parents during this difficult time.*

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

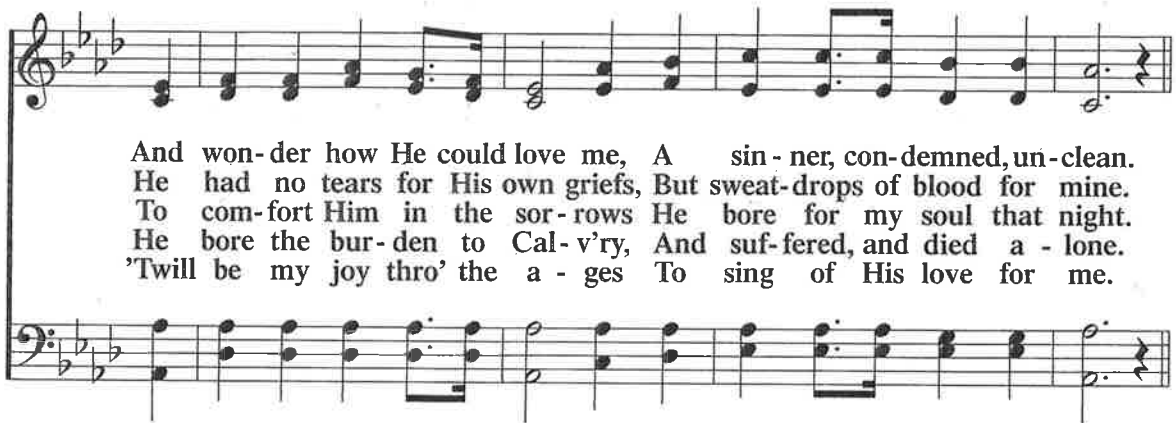
**Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress. These names will remain on this list for 3 weeks.**

## My Savior's Love

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*His sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. Luke 22:44*


> 1. I stand a-mazed in the pres-ence Of Je - sus, the Naz - a - rene,  
 2. For me it was in the gar - den He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine."  
 3. In pit - y an - gels be - held Him, And came from the world of light  
 > 4. He took my sins and my sor - rows; He made them His ver - y own.  
 5. When with the ran-somed in glo - ry His face I at last shall see,



And won-der how He could love me, A sin - ner, con-demned, un-clean.  
 He had no tears for His own griefs, But sweat-drops of blood for mine.  
 To com-fort Him in the sor-rows He bore for my soul that night.  
 He bore the bur-den to Cal - v'ry, And suf-fered, and died a - lone.  
 'Twill be my joy thro' the a - ges To sing of His love for me.

*Refrain*

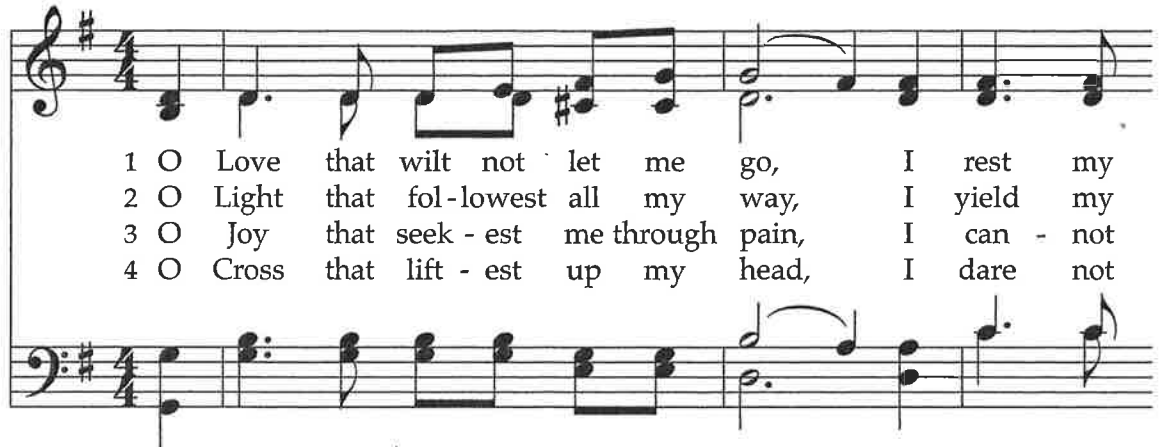


How mar-vel-ous, How won-der-ful! And my song shall ev-er be:  
 O how mar - vel - ous, O how won - der - ful!

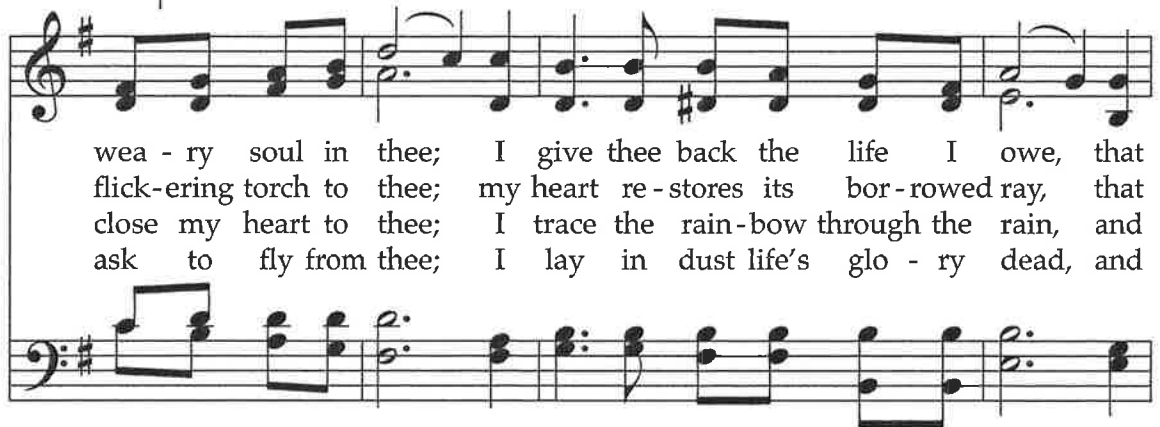


How mar-vel-ous, How won-der-ful! Is my Sav-ior's love for me!  
 O how mar - vel - ous, O how won - der - ful!

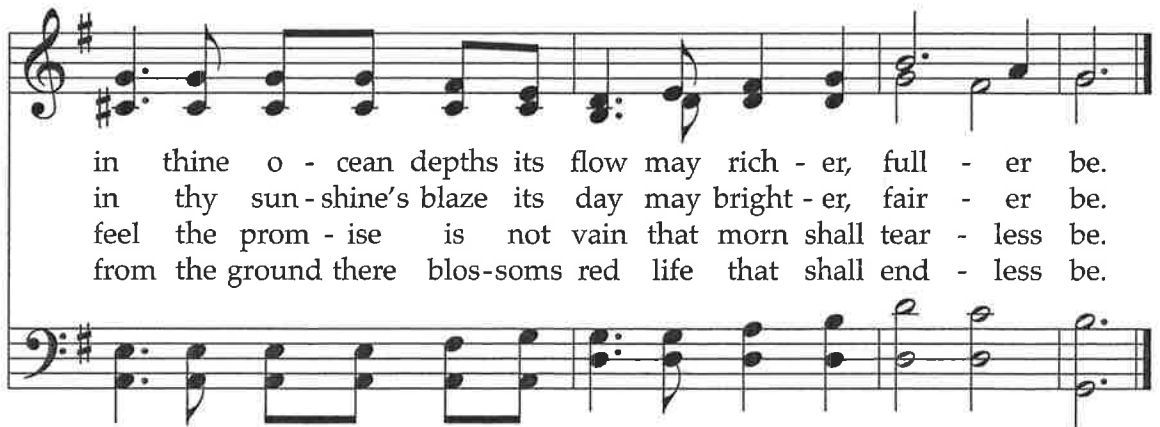
# O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833



1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my  
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my  
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not  
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that  
flick - ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that  
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and  
ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.  
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.  
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.