

# POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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# Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

### Order of Worship

May 9, 2021

Prelude

“Bouree”

~ J. S. Bach

“The Quiet Garden”

~ Gilbert Martin

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Responsive*) (Source- Thom Shuman)

We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos,

**our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.**

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice,

**we bring the songs which have echoed in our hearts all week long.**

We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

**Lift the new, new songs of faith.**

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

“Make a Joyful Noise to God!”

*See Insert*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) (Source- *The United Church of Christ Book of Worship*)

**Gracious God,**

**Our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

*Silence is observed*

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsive)* (Source- *John 3:5; 2 Cor. 5:17*)

Hear the good news!

As people born of water and the Spirit we have died to the old life and a new life has begun. God's grace is poured out upon us day by day.

Come to the water and remember your baptism. Be thankful and live as one who has been raised to new life!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Amen.**

Anthem "Sing Alleluia To the Lord" ~ *Linda Stassen*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture 1 John 5:1-12 (Common English Bible)

**5** Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born from God. Whoever loves someone who is a parent loves the child born to the parent. **2** This is how we know that we love the children of God: when we love God and keep God's commandments. **3** This is the love of God: we keep God's commandments. God's commandments are not difficult, **4** because everyone who is born from God defeats the world. And this is the victory that has defeated the world: our faith. **5** Who defeats the world? Isn't it the one who believes that Jesus is God's Son? **6** This is the one who came by water and blood: Jesus Christ. Not by water only but by water and blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. **7** The three are testifying— **8** the Spirit, the water, and the blood—and the three are united in agreement. **9** If we receive human testimony, God's testimony is greater, because this is what God testified: he has testified about his Son. **10** The one who believes in God's Son has the testimony within; the one who doesn't believe God has made God a liar, because that one has not believed the testimony that God gave about his Son. **11** And this is the testimony: God gave eternal life to us, and this life is in his Son. **12** The one who has the Son has life. The one who doesn't have God's Son does not have life.

Sermon "Life" ~ *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

“Go to the World!”

*See Insert*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

~ *John Rutter*

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

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**For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:**

Acts 10:44-48 and Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

**Daily Readings for May 9 – 15 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 5/9/2021***

*The Family of Karl Zimmermann,  
Pollocksville Presbyterian Church Childcare, Richard Goins (Jerry Burkot),  
Family of Larry Knapp (Noreen Jekel), Family Friend (Pastor T. Wes),  
Josh Potter (Jerry Burkot), Sharon Watts (Jerry Burkot)*

*Pray for those that have lost loved ones and are grieving.*

*Pray for those affected by the Natural Disasters & Human Tragedies throughout our country and around the world. Please pray for our world and the violence that is in it.*

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




*To all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Sisters and other women in our lives that care for us and love us unconditionally,*


**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

# Make a Joyful Noise to God! 54


(Psalm 66)



1 Make a joy - ful noise to God! All cre - a - tion sings your praise!  
 2 Come and see what God has done, great the bless - ings to the just:  
 3 Bless the Lord, our ref - uge sure; let our songs of praise be heard!



Great your won - ders here dis - played, un - ex - celled through - out our days.  
 walked the cho - sen through the sea, brought their en - e - mies to dust.  
 By whose jus - tice, we are tried; by whose grace, our guilt de - ferred.



Glo - rious is your sa - cred name, a - ges old, yet still the same.  
 Let us lift a thank - ful voice for God's mer - cies, and re - joice!  
 When our life's sure end shall come, bring us to your heav - en - ly home.

This paraphrase of Psalm 66 maintains a corporate tone more suitable for congregational singing than does the original psalm, which moves to a personal narrative in its latter part. The reference to "all creation" is strengthened by the associations of the tune (see no. 14).

## Go to the World!

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1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.  
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;  
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.  
 for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.  
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

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