

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



July 5, 2020

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

5th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

July 5, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come to our God, all who hunger for life:

People: **for it is God who nourishes us at the Table of Grace**

Leader: Come to our God, all who are worn out by life:

People: **for it is God who provides the rest we need.**

Leader: Come to our God, all who are weighed down:

People: **for it is our God who carries our burdens with 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

“America, the Beautiful”

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Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

Merciful God, we are so skilled at being in control, that we are not very good at resting. We spend our lives in a never-ending, never-fulfilled search for that which satisfies. All this does is make us fretful, agitated, and longing for more and more of this and that. We think we have to be constantly busy, so we have no time for you. We are trained to be extremely productive, and so create our harried, stress-filled lives.

Forgive us, Loving Father. Help us to let go of our distractions, our burdens of anger, our sin, and our hurt, so you can act in us. Calm our creaturely activity, so you can re-create us; help us to follow Jesus, not only into discipleship, but into our rest with you.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: It sounds so simple, we think it is too simple. But which is the burden you would choose: hate or love; anger or forgiveness; pain or peace? God invites us to receive the gifts which make it possible to have lives of faithful obedience.

People: **This is the good news: God forgives us and takes our burdens from us. We would let go of them and welcome hope, joy, grace into our lives. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Anthem

"America, Come Home!"

~ Jennifer Miller & Bob Howe

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Romans 7: 21-8:6; Matthew 11:25-30

7 ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature^[a] a slave to the law of sin.

8 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you^[b] free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh,^[c] God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.^[d] And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵ Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.

11 ²⁵⁻²⁶ ²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Sermon

"Happy Birthday Everybody"

~

Jay Bender

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.

*Affirmation of Faith

*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

“Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary”

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*Charge and Benediction

*Please rise in body or spirit
Bold: Congregation Speaks



Prayer List Additions as of 7/5/2020

Roxanna Atwood & The Rev. Jim Atwood Family, Frank T. Bender (recovery), Jean Bender (recovering from surgery), Jerry Burkot, Michael Coeyman, April and Johnny McKeel & family, Jane Sobotor & family, Karl & Bonnie Zimmermann.

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

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.

Names will remain on this list for 3 weeks - unless the church secretary is notified otherwise)



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17 or Song of Solomon 2:8-13;

Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Daily Readings for July 5 – 11 use the following web link:

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

America, the Beautiful

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Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. Psalm 33:12

1. O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain,
 2. O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress
 3. O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - at - ing strife,
 4. O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream That sees be - yond the years

For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!
 A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!
 Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than life!
 Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam Un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,

And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!
 Con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law!
 Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness And ev - 'ry gain di - vine!
 And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!

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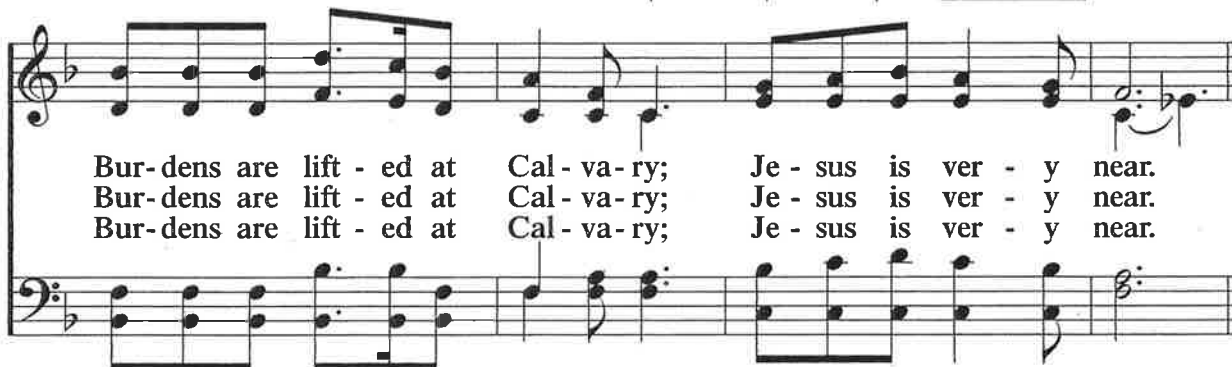
Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary

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Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11:28



1. Days are filled with sor-row and care; Hearts are lone - ly and drear.
2. Cast your care on Je - sus to - day; Leave your wor - ry and fear.
3. Trou - bled soul, the Sav - ior can see Ev - 'ry heart - ache and tear.

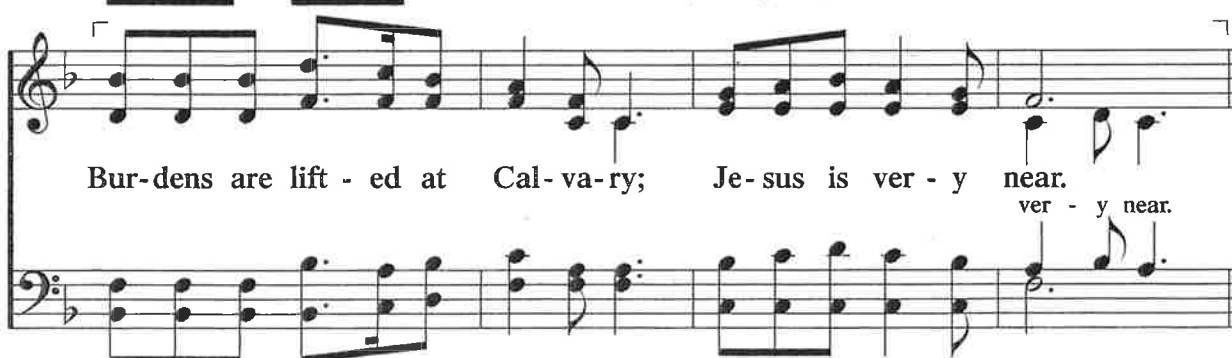


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