



Sunday, September 7, 2025

Leader in Worship: Pastor Kenneth Yearick

Organist/Choir Director: Debbie L. Fitzgerald

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

13th Sunday After Pentecost

1:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

September 7, 2025

Prelude "Minuet in C" by John S. Dixon ~ Debbie Fitzgerald

Opening Remarks ~ Pastor Yearick

Welcome and Announcements ~ Liturgist

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) (*inspired by 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8*)

Leader: Sisters and brothers, you're coming here is not in vain!

People: **Though our faith is ignored and rejected by others, with courage, we worship God!**

Leader: Do not come with deceit or impure motives.

People: **With God as our witness, we come to worship God!**

Leader: So deeply do you care for each other that you come to share the Gospel again and again.

People: **God calls us to be gentle witness as apostles of Christ.**

ALL: **Therefore, let us worship God!**

Prayer of Invocation ~ Liturgist

*Opening Hymn "We're Marching to Zion" #389
Sing to the Lord Hymnal

Call to Reconciliation ~ Cheryl Coeyman

God does forgive! By the grace and blood of Christ, the Lord has given us the opportunity to be reconciled with our Brother, Jesus. Join me in the Litany and act of forgiveness printed in the insert of your bulletin, as we read and confess responsively...

Litany of the Blood of Jesus and Confessional ~ See Insert

Silence is Kept

Assurance of God's Pardon (*Responsively*) ~ Pastor Yearick

Pastor: In this place we find God's word, God's way, God's love, God's forgiveness. What more do we need to sustain us as we continue as pilgrims along the Way?

People: **In every wilderness, on every road; in every moment, in every life; in every journey, in every heart, we receive the daily bread we need— God’s hope, God's mercy, God's joy.**

ALL: **Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. 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.

A Time With God’s Children “Count the Cost” ~ *Pastor Yearick*

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: ...The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Anthem “All I Need” *by C.P.Jones and Cameron Pollock (arr. by John Purifoy)* ~ *Choir*

Prayer for Illumination ~ *Cheryl Coeyman*

The Scripture

Old Testament Reading Exodus 12:21-28 (NIV) ~ *Cheryl Coeyman*

²¹ Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. ²² Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. ²³ When the LORD goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down. ²⁴ “Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. ²⁵ When you enter the land that the LORD will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. ²⁶ And when your children ask you, ‘What does this ceremony mean to you?’ ²⁷ then tell them, ‘It is the Passover sacrifice to the LORD, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.’” Then the people bowed down and worshiped. ²⁸ The Israelites did just what the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron.

The Gospel Reading Luke 14:25-33 (NIV) ~ *Pastor Yearick*

²⁵ Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: ²⁶ “If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? ²⁹ For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, ³⁰ saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.' ³¹ "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. ³³ In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Message

"What's In It For Me?"

~ Pastor Yearick

*Hymn of Response

"Nothing But the Blood"

#453

Sing to the Lord Hymnal

*The 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.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

~ Pastor Yearick

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.

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory "Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee" by Cindy Berry ~ Debbie Fitzgerald

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

~ Pastor Yearick

*Closing Hymn

"There Is Power in the Blood"

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Sing to the Lord Hymnal

*The Charge and Benediction

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

"Preludio Divertimento"

by John S. Dixon

~ Debbie Fitzgerald

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

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Welcome!

to everyone who is worshiping with us today.

If you are looking for a church home, please feel free to join us.

Our membership is open to all. Please see the Pastor if you wish to join our Church Family. Welcome to all!



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and Psalm 1; Philemon 1:1-21; Luke 14:25-31

Daily Readings for September 7 – 13 use the following web link:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily-readings/>

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Prayer List (Additions as of 8-31-2025)

Millie Belfort – prayers for the children killed and others injured at the

Minneapolis school shooting; Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church



Ushers:

September - Eileen Griswold & Barbara Smith

October - Joan Knight & Jerry Burkot

November - Bob & Carol Mattocks

December - Vic Bryan & Kay Bender

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday Mornings 11:00 am – Worship in the Church Sanctuary &
Streaming Live on Facebook, YouTube & on PPC Website**

Sundays at 9:45 am Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!

Children's Sunday School at 9:45 am

Thursdays

6 pm Choir Practice - Note new Day!!!

Sunday, September 7th

5 pm Session Meeting

Sunday, September 14th

**Congregational Meeting following Morning Worship
– See details below**

Stewardship Lunch

Monday, September 15th

7 pm Presbyterian Women Meeting

Hostess: Sheron Bender / Study Leader: Cathy Campbell – Lesson 1

Sunday, September 28th

8 am Men's Breakfast

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

**Congregational Meeting following Morning Worship
– See details below**

5 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Pledge Packets Go Out



*The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for
Sunday, September 14, 2025*

at the conclusion of the Morning Worship Hour for the following purposes:

- 1- To elect four (4) at-large members to the Congregational Nominating Committee*
- 2- To receive suggestions from the congregation for nominees for the office of Ruling Elder, Class of 2028*
- 3- To act on the Session's recommendation that the current PNC be dismissed – at its request – and that the Nominating Committee bring forward nominees for a new PNC so that the search for an installed pastor might continue.*

Sunday, September 28th – *to receive the report from the Nominating Committee, and if the way be clear, to proceed to the election of three (3) Ruling Elders to the Class of 2028.*

❖ Please see the Member List enclosed in today's bulletin – those eligible for election as ruling elders – please review list for nominations.



Please visit PPC website: www.pollocksvillepresbyterian.org

Please keep the church secretary updated with any phone number, address or email changes.

Also, prayer requests and changes to the prayer list are needed as soon as possible.



The church secretary, Frances Waters, will be in and out of the office in the future. Please call the office at 252-224-8181 to make sure she is in the office and available. Sorry for any inconvenience.



Pastor Ken Yearick will be in the office from 10 – 2 on *Fridays*.



Please place any extra or unwanted bulletins in the white wastepaper bin at the rear of the Sanctuary for recycling. There are also wastepaper bins located in the library and the Ed Building Fellowship Hall.



***Congratulations Pollocksville Presbyterian Church
Scholarship Recipients
Academic Year 2025-2026***

***Nadalee Hein is the daughter of Elizabeth Kuzma
And granddaughter of Ken and Sandy Yearick.***

***Kate Ladner is the daughter of Scott and Holly Ladner
And granddaughter of Allen and Jean Bender.***

***Christopher Meadows is the son of Chris and Beth Meadows
And grandson of Jimmy and Hilda Bender.***



Sunday, September 14th – Stewardship Lunch and Program
Lunch will be provided - Followed by Questions & Answers on the Budget



Homecoming will be Sunday, October 12, 2025.

Everyone is invited. Please make sure the church secretary has your correct mailing address. You do not want to miss your invitation. Send contact information to fwaters@pollocksvillepresbyterian.org.



The Session & Committee Chairs for 2025

Clerk of Session: Jay Bender	(252-224-6201)	jaybender@ec.rr.com	
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Presbyterian Men's Moderator - Jerry Burkot (252-633-2348)

Litany of the Blood of Jesus

Black – Leader / Red - Congregation

Lord, have mercy on us. **Christ, have mercy on us.**

Lord, have mercy on us. **Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.**

God the Father of Heaven, **Have mercy on us.**

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **Have mercy on us.**

God the Holy Spirit, **Have mercy on us.**

Holy Trinity, One God, **Have mercy on us.**

Blood of Christ, only-begotten Son of the Eternal Father, save us.

Blood of Christ, Incarnate Word of God, save us.

Blood of Christ, of the new and Eternal Testament, save us.

Blood of Christ, flowing forth in the Crowning with Thorns, save us.

Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross, save us.

Blood of Christ, Price of our salvation, save us.

Blood of Christ, without which there is no forgiveness, save us.

Blood of Christ, river of mercy, save us.

Blood of Christ, Victor over demons, save us.

Blood of Christ, Courage of martyrs, save us.

Blood of Christ, Help of those in peril, save us.

Blood of Christ, Relief of the burdened, save us.

Blood of Christ, Comforter in sorrow, bless us.

Blood of Christ, Hope of the penitent, forgive us.

Blood of Christ, consolation of the dying, be present in our midst.

Blood of Christ, Peace and Tenderness of hearts bring us relief.

Blood of Christ, Pledge of Eternal Life, **Provide us with assurance.**

Blood of Christ, most worthy of all glory and honor,

May we praise Your Name.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, **Spare us, O Lord.**

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, **Hear us, O Lord.**

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, **Have mercy on us.**

Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, in Thy blood,

And made of us a kingdom for our God.

Let Us Pray together: *(in unison)*

Almighty and Eternal God, You have appointed Your only-begotten Son, the Redeemer of the world, and allowed His Blood to bring us salvation by Your Holy Spirit. Grant that we may worthily receive Your blessing, and through Your power be safeguarded from all evils of this present life, so that we may enjoy the fruits of the Spirit forever in Heaven, in the name of Jesus, we offer this confession-and prayer, Amen.

