

POLLOCKSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, March 2, 2025

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Pollocksville Presbyterian Church
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

March 2, 2025

Prelude "Blessed Trinity" by Edward Elgar ~ Debbie L. Fitzgerald

Welcome and Announcements ~ Liturgist

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Leader: God of light, such lovely light, we see Your glorious light shining brightly.

People: **You shine in us with beauty and grace.**

Leader: Christ, light of the world, you shimmer in us all.

People: **All people are held in the glow of your grace; all people are radiant with your glory.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, flame of heaven, you gleam in us to enlighten the world.

People: **Shine in us, that we may bear the beams of your love to all the world, through Christ, the Light of the world. Bring your radiance to our worship today.**

Prayer of Invocation ~ Liturgist

*Opening Hymn "Resurrection Light" [Tune: "Joyful, Joyful"]

Wake us, Jesus from our dreams, to see you in a holy light:
Law and prophet, loving promise God has sent to guide us right.
As Elijah, call us Godward, speak the living truth to us.
As our Moses, lead us in our liberating exodus.

Wake us, Jesus, from our fear of pain and death, and from our sin.
Grant that we may live illumined by the world you usher in.
All things shine with light reflected from the dawn that fills our sight.
All of life is thus transfigured by your resurrection's light.

Wake us, Jesus from complacent dreaming on the mountain's height.
Teach us humble service: your departure is our guiding light.
Preach the gospel, feed the hungry, heal the broken, give them sight.
Give your life, then find it, shining bright with Resurrection light.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you have created us with light, with the radiance of love and the splendor of your presence. It shines in our faces and glows in our hearts. But we have veiled your light, and covered over your glory. We have dimmed your love and darkened your presence within us. Forgive us. Remove the coverings that hide your light in us. Warm us again by your Spirit, and rekindle the light of your grace within us, that we may shine with the image of Christ, your Beloved, and in Christ's power radiate your love as pillars of light.

Silence is Kept

Assurance of God's Pardon *(Responsively)*

~ Pastor Yearick

Leader: We no longer need to live as slaves to our sinful natures. Sin has no claim on us anymore, because through the power of the Holy Spirit, we have put to death our old ways of acting and thinking. We have been given new life as God's own children. So be at peace: know that your sins are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*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 For Children

"Mountaintop Experiences"

~ Pastor Yearick

The Anthem

"High Upon A Mountain" *by Lloyd Larsen & Trilby Jordan*

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Pastor Yearick

The Scripture Reading

The Gospel According to Luke 9:28-36 (NIV)

²⁸About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.

³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what he was saying.) ³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.” ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

“Are You A Pioneer or a Settler?”

Pastor Yearick

* The Apostles’ Creed *(In Unison)*

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.

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

~ *Debbie Fitzgerald*

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies” *by Johann G. Werner*

*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.

Offertory Prayer

~ *Pastor Yearick*

The Service of Holy Communion

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also, with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Prayer of Consecration 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 Words of Institution

The Prayer of Dedication and Blessing of the Elements

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Closing Hymn "Christ the Light" [Tune: "All Praise to Thee"]

In darkness see the Star arise.
Its glimmer lifts our weary eyes.
Its promise shines in deepest night:
The dawn is coming – Christ the Light!

Our God is Light, a living flame,
At night or dawn, always the same.
O what a truth awaits our sight!
What joy, what beauty: Christ the Light!

No death or darkness, grief or fear
Endures when God Himself is here.
Then love is full, and life is right,
And all is bathed in Christ the Light!

*Charge and Benediction

~ Pastor Yearick

*Postlude

~ Debbie Fitzgerald

“We Are Marching in the Light of God” by Siyahamba

*Please rise in body or spirit

Bold: Congregation Speaks

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Welcome!

Welcome to everyone who is worshipping with us today.



Prayer List Additions as of 02/23/2025

Prayers for the family and friends of Elizabeth Sorrell (Noreen's Aunt) who passed away (Noreen Jekel); David Waller has come down with Guillain-Barre syndrome and can't walk. His wife, Pam, is trying to care for him. Also, niece, Ginny Moody, is having major heart issues; she is wearing a heart vest to help (Mark Bender); Carol Jackson Nelson's ex-husband, Bruce Jackson, passed away on Friday. He had had several heart attacks and a stroke. Had been living in El Salvadore but Carol got him out of there and into Florida and was trying to get him up here. Their son, Christopher is on a ship in Bangkok but will be coming home by the end of the week (Diane McCaffity); Prayers for programs that will support special needs children and their families—if the Federal programs that currently support them are shut down (Sheron Bender); Continued prayers for Carol and Reid Nelson as they recover for the flu and Carol continues radiation treatment (Noreen Jekel); Please continue to keep Bentley Felkel (9 months old), nephew of Debbie who is in the hospital (Debbie Fitzgerald)

Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church

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



Ed Edmondson passed away on Tuesday, February 25th.

Please keep Ms. Thelma and the rest of the family in your thoughts and prayers.



For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Exodus 34:29-35 and Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

Daily Readings for March 2 – 8 use the following web link:

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



Ash Wednesday



*Wednesday, March 5th – 5:30 pm – Pancake Supper
Ash Wednesday Service to follow at 6:30 pm*



On Sunday, March 9th following morning worship service, Ed Jekel will be giving a talk on his Presbytery Work Trip to Puerto Rico. A light lunch will be served. Please plan to attend!



\$340 has been collected for CWS Blanket Sunday.

It's not too late to contribute.

Just pick up a special offering envelope from the table in the narthex or designate on your check, *CWS Blankets* & place in the offering or give to Ron Pound.

“Through the Blanket+ Program, emergency resources and long-term assistance is provided to help families around the world recover from disasters and build viable, sustainable lives and communities.”

Ushers & Greeters



*March - 2nd & 9th Steve Long
April - Blair Purvis & Vic Bryan
July - Rebecca Long & Diane McCaffity
October - Joan Knight & Jerry Burkot
November - Bob & Carol Mattocks
December - Vic Bryan*

*Needed for March, May, June, August, September and December
If you would be willing to serve as an usher, please contact Amber Swanger or Shirley Bryan. See sign-up sheet in the narthex.*



Nursery Volunteers are needed!

See sign-up sheet in the narthex.



Please note.... Pastor Ken Yearick is normally in the office on Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be a change this week.

He will be in the office on Monday, March 3rd and off on Friday, March 7th.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

Sunday, March 2nd

5 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday, March 5th

5:30 pm Pancake Super

6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday, March 9th

Daylight Saving Time Begins

Monday, March 10th

7 pm Women’s Circle Meeting at the Church

Hostess – Dianne Bell

Study Leader – Diane McCaffity – lesson 6

Sunday, March 16th

Celebration of Women

– The Women of the church will be in charge of the Service

Sunday, March 23rd

8 am Men’s Breakfast – Team 2 Cook

Building Fund Sunday

Sunday, March 30th

Hymn Sing during Morning Worship

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