

Poland Presbyterian Church



Worship for the Lord's Day

4th Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

The beginning of the Prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

Meditation Before Worship

A loving heart is the truest wisdom. Charles Dickens

Prelude	“Prière à Notre Dame”	Léon Boëllmann
Welcome and Announcements		
Introit (10:30)	“Interlude”	Phillip Keveren
* Call to Worship (Responsive) Wherever we turn our eyes We see God's glory Wherever we lend our ears We hear God's truth Wherever we open our hearts We feel God's love There is never an instance when God is not part of our lives Let us worship God		
* Hymn 39	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”	<i>FAITHFULNESS</i>
* Prayer of Confession and Silent Confession (unison) Eternal God, we confess that sometimes we have been unwilling to pay the costs of what we truly value. Forgive us for seeking security without commitment, rewards without labor, happiness without sacrifice, and faith without discipline. Help us to make the right choices in life and provide the courage for us to deal with the wrong choices we sometimes make. Help us to live by Christ's example, in Your name we pray...		
* The Good News of God's Grace Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.		
* The Gloria Patri		
* Greetings in Christian Friendship		
Children's Message		Erika Carcelli
Anthem (10:30)	“Lift Your Light”	Mary McDonald

Prayer of Illumination (10:30-Liturgist)

O God, may Your Word be a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading Psalm 23 (10:30-Liturgist)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; cup overflows Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Offering

Offertory

“Préambule”

Louis Vierne

* Prayer of Dedication and Doxology

Sharing Concerns (8:30)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)

Sermon Text Ephesians 2:13-18 (Liturgist)

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

The Word Proclaimed

“Together In Christ”

Dr. Paul W. Anderson

The Great Thanksgiving (8:30)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise...

Communion (8:30)

* Affirmation of Faith – 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 at 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.

* Closing Hymn 377

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

HOUSTON

* Benediction

Postlude

“Sortie No. 6”

Clement Loret

* Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers gracing the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of
Dixon and Nancy Foster (Nan's parents) for their 100th birthday's in March
by Nan and Frank Bennett.*

In Our Prayers...

David Donachie

Linda Crish

Jared Carcelli

Jeanette VanBrocklin (Woodlands)

Sandy Nittinger (Park Vista)

Doris Rice (Hampton Wood Rehab)

Fred Viehe

Lucy Stanley

Brandon Todd Aldan (Rehab)

Phyllis Benton (Home)

Barbara Moore

Irene Weaver (Maplecrest, Rehab)

Children's Easter Egg Hunt - Please return your filled eggs by noon Friday, March 31st.

Men's Thomas Group meets every Thursday, 7:30 a.m. at TJ's Restaurant, Holiday Inn Boardman. They are reading "The Weight of Glory" by C. S. Lewis. Please purchase the book on your own. All men of the church are invited.

Gentle Yoga Mat Class with Coco Miller will be every Tuesday from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Fee is \$15.00. Please call 330-402-1533 for registration and more information.

PPC Dry Pantry Regular items needed are bars of soap, deodorant (men's and women's), dish soap, feminine products, laundry detergent, liquid hand soap, paper towels, razors, shampoo (children and adult), shaving cream, toilet paper, toothpaste (children and adult). You may put your donations in the box marked Dry Pantry on the second floor of the Christian Education building or leave them on the front porch.

Lenten Book Study continues thru March on the topic of forgiveness. Dr. Anderson, Rev. Maynard, and Erika Carcelli are facilitating this 6:00 Monday evening class using *The Book of Forgiving* by Desmond Tutu. If you are interested in joining us, please order the book and start reading. Hope to see you there!

The Poland Interfaith Food Pantry will distribute food on Tuesday, March 28th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, March 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The distribution will be inside on both days the Poland United Methodist church. If you would like more information, please call Dave Scott, at 330-559-4942.

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun at the **Youth Group's 1st Karaoke Night** on April 23rd at 5:00. We would love to have you hang out with us and get to know the youth better. The cost of admission is a snack to share. Hope to see you there!

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Paul W. Anderson, Pastor/Head of Staff

Rev. Stacie Maynard, Parish Associate

Erika Carcelli, Christian Education Director

Patti Morris, Dir. of Office Services

Tammy Creighton, Media Specialist

Justin Addicott, Choir Director

Kristy Addicott, Organist

Chancel Choir

Carly Carcelli, Director of Nursery

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Lewis Schaft, Audio Visual Technician

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* Youth Elder/Deacons

** Moderators

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John Braden-Kaneski

Jared Carcelli

Diane Gesacion

Randy Nord

Calendar for the week of March 19, 2023

Sunday, March 19th – 4th Sunday in Lent

8:30-Worship Service, Chapel
9:20-Administration Comm., Pastor's Office
10:30-Confirmation Class
10:30-Sunday School
10:30-Worship Service, Sanctuary
5:00-Sr. High Youth Group

Monday, March 20th

11:30-WIT Luncheon, Longhorn Steakhouse
6:00-Dry Pantry Distribution
6:00-Lenten Book Group, Lib.
6:00-Cub Scouts, YH
7:30-Scouts, YH

Tuesday, March 21st

5:30-Deacons Meeting, FH
6:30-Gentle Yoga Class, Room 24
8:00-Tuesday Evening Group, CR

Wednesday, March 22nd

9:00-Staff Meeting Zoom
10:00-Weekday Preschool, FH
12:00-Lenten Luncheon, Holy Family
4:30-6:00-Wonderful Wednesday
6:45-Session Meeting, CR

Thursday, March 23rd

7:30-Thomas Group, TJ's Restaurant
12:30-PPC Zoom Lunch
6:00-Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 24th

Saturday, March 25th

Sunday, March 26th – 5th Sunday in Lent

8:30-Worship Service, Chapel
9:20-Worship & Music Committee, Lib.
10:30-Confirmation Class
No Sunday School
10:30-Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:30-Sr. High Youth Group

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(inserts to follow)

Easter Flowers 2023



Spring flowers may be ordered through the church office in or Honor of loved ones to grace the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 9th.

Flower orders must be into the church office no later than Sunday, March 26th and must be PAID for when the order is placed. Checks are to be made payable to Poland Presbyterian Church and marked "Easter Flowers" on the memo line. Please use this form to order.

Flowers	QTY.	Price \$	Total
LILIES		8.00	
TULIPS		8.00	
TOTALS			

In lieu of flowers a contribution is made to the following charitable organization:

Meals on Wheels \$ _____

Protestant Family Service \$ _____

In Memory or Honor of (please circle in memory or honor of)

Given by: _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Nomination for Church Officer

This form is to help the Nominating Committee prepare a Slate of Officers to serve on the Session and the Board of Deacons. If you would like to nominate someone, please list his or her name below. You may write down your own name if you would like to serve. Please ask the person if he or she is willing to serve before you suggest the name of that person. Please note that this recommendation does not guarantee that person's nomination.

ELDER – Ruling elders... are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Ruling elders, together with ministers of the Word and Sacrament, exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation. When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session (Book of Order G-2.0301).

I suggest _____ as an Elder

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(youth who is a current high school church member)

DEACON – The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry. (Book of Order G-2.0201).

I suggest _____ as a Deacon

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(youth who is a current high school church member)

Name of person making nomination _____

Please submit your nominations by March 26, 2023. Please place your nominations in the offering plate or drop off at the church office. You may also contact any member of the nominating committee with a recommendation for either the Session or the Board of Deacons.

Thank you very much.
Ted Gough, Elder
Randy Nord, Deacon

Holly Kollar, Member at Large
Dave Scott, Member at Large
Fred Sutton, Member at Large
John Yerian, Member at Large