

Poland Presbyterian Church



WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 21, 2023

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

Meditation Before Worship

Lord Jesus, as we prepare for the coming of our Lord, make our ears ready to hear, our eyes ready to see, our hands ready to serve, our hearts ready to give, and our voices ready to praise You. This we ask for Your own love's sake. Amen

Prelude

“Belief”

Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome and Announcements

Introit (10:30)

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

arr. Greg Howlett

* Call to Worship (Responsive)

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has set apart.

We will rejoice and keep it holy.

This is the day that the Lord has Blessed.

We will rejoice and gain strength from it.

* Hymn 687

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

* Prayer of Confession and Silent Confession (unison)

We confess, O God, that we have not wanted to hear Your call, preferring to do and serve as we want, not You. Serving You means sometimes swimming against the stream, fighting for the right, speaking out the unpopular word. We confess our being too often hesitant in our witness, tentative, compromising, not taking our calling seriously. You supply the strength we need, yet we look instead to our own inabilities for reason to decline to serve. Forgive us, and forgive also our narrowness, our willful misunderstanding of Your calling, our unproductive use of opportunities and of the energy You give. [In Christ's name...]

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* The Gloria Patri

* Greetings in Christian Friendship

Anthem (10:30)

“Nearer, Still Nearer”

Benjamin Kniedler

Prayer of Illumination (10:30-Liturgist)

Dear God, as we read scripture, may Your Word penetrate our souls and move our hearts to loving and serving others in Your name. Amen

Scripture Reading Psalm 21:1-7 (Liturgist to read)

In your strength the king rejoices, O LORD, and in your help how greatly he exults! You have given him his heart's desire and have not withheld the request of his lips. For you meet him with rich blessings; you set a crown of fine gold on his head. He asked you for life; you gave it to him— length of days forever and ever. His glory is great through your help;

splendor and majesty you bestow on him. You bestow on him blessings forever; you make him glad with the joy of your presence. For the king trusts in the LORD, and through the steadfast love of the Most High he shall not be moved.

Offering

Offertory

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Joel Raney

*Prayer of Dedication and Doxology

Sharing Concerns (8:30)

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

Sermon Text –1 Peter 5:6-11 Liturgist to read)

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever.

The Word Proclaimed

“How to Live the Christian Life” 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.

* Affirmation of Faith (10:30)

* Closing Hymn 321

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA

* Benediction

* Postlude

“Tocatta in F Major”

Pachelbel

* Please stand if you are able.

The flowers gracing the sanctuary are given to the glory of God, by the Poland Presbyterian Church family in honor of Patti Morris for her 32.5 years of dedicated service to our church. We all wish her much happiness and health in her retirement.

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In Our Prayers...

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Doris Rice (Wickshire)

Phyllis Benton (Home)

Irene Weaver (Maplecrest, Rehab)

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Megan Zimmers

Men's Thomas Group meets every Thursday, 7:30 a.m. at TJ's Restaurant, Holiday Inn Boardman. They are reading "Under God's Wings" by Cornelius Plantinga. 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.

Retirement Celebration After 32.5 years Patti Morris has retired as our Director of Office Services. Please join us for a celebration luncheon in honor of Patti after the 10:30 service. We appreciate all that Patti has done in service to PPC and we wish her all the best in her new adventure.

Officers of the Poland Presbyterian Church

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Calendar for the week of May 21, 2023

Sunday, May 21st

8:30 Worship Service w/communion
10:30-Last Sunday School
11:30-Retirement Luncheon for Patti, FH
1:00-Last Senior High Youth Group

Monday, May 22nd

6:00-Cub Scouts, YH
7:30-Scouts, YH

Tuesday, May 23rd

10:00-VBS Volunteer Meeting, Library
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6:30-Gentle Yoga Class, Room 24
8:00-Tuesday Evening Group, CR

Wednesday, May 24th

9:00-Staff Meeting Zoom
6:45-Session Meeting w/New officers elect-CR

Thursday, May 25th

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

Friday, May 26th

Saturday, May 27th

Sunday, May 28th

8:30-Worship Service w/communion
9:20-Worship & Music Meeting
10:30-Worship Service-with Ordination/Installation of New Officers