

Poland Presbyterian Church
Poland Presbyterian Church founded May 3, 1802
January 24, 2021

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

Meditation before Worship

We must show our Christian colors if we are to be true to Jesus Christ.
C. S. Lewis

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Beethoven

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Let us come before the Lord with open hearts.

People: Let us bring to God our sadness, our conflict, our grief.

Leader: God is a loving God and out of our sorrow will come a new gladness.

People: Let this time of worship be an opportunity for God to fill us again with thankful and joyful hearts.

Leader: Come let us worship God.

Musical interlude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Prayer of Confession and silent time of personal confession(unison)

Lord, forgive us if we are living only in the past, depressed about our current situation and living in fear of the future. Lord, forgive us if we are living only in the present, ignoring our heritage, and making no plans for tomorrow. Lord, forgive us if we are living only for tomorrow, forgetting where we came from and avoiding our current responsibilities. Grant us the wisdom to give the whole of our lives, past, present and future into the hands of our Savior, who is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. It is in His name that we pray...

The Good News of God's Grace

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

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Anthem "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" William Runyan

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Sermon Text Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (Liturgist to read)

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth... When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word Proclaimed

"Sooner or Later We Get It"

Dr. Paul Anderson

Affirmation of Faith – Apostle's 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 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.

Musical Interlude

"Bless Be the Tie That Binds"

Benediction

Postlude

"The Church's One Foundation"

Arr. Lani Smith

Music provided by Steve Pridon, Director of Music

In Our Prayers...

Paul Rice & Family

Mike Simington (The Inn at Poland Way)

Jeanette VanBrocklin (Hampton Woods)

Phyllis Benton (Home)

Paula Lidle (Home)

Sandy Nittinger (Park Vista)

Verda Byler (Beeghly)

Jan Harper (Home)

Cloy Stewart (Hampton Woods)

Brandon Todd Aldan (Rehab)

Art Bouwers (Home)

Kathleen Poorman Family (Kathy died, Jan. 16, 21)

Kitty Heineman & Family (Ted died Jan. 17, 21)

The Session of Poland Presbyterian Church call for its annual meeting of the congregation to be held February 7, 2021 @ 1:00 pm, via Zoom. The Purpose of this meeting will be to receive annual reports from organizations and the session (for information only), financial report for the preceding year, budget for the current year (for information only), changes in the terms of call for the pastor, electing members to serve on the nominating committee.

Emergency Contact – The office is collecting emergency contact numbers of members and friends of the church. This information will be for the use of the pastors/staff only. It can be an adult child, relative, neighbor or friend that we can contact in an event of an emergency. Visit our website and click on the “Emergency Contact” tab under Links/Forms or follow the link in MailChimp or on our Facebook page. If you do not have access to a computer, please phone Tammy at 330-719-8176 with your emergency contact information.

2021 Offering Envelopes – If you ordered 2021 Offering Envelopes you may pick them up on the front porch of the Parish House starting on Monday, January 25th. If you did not order them and would like some, please email the church office info@polandpresbyterian.org or call the church office (if no answer leave message on answering machine).

Wednesday Book Study - 6:30 p.m., on Zoom *Believe, Living the Story of the Bible to Become Like Jesus* Erika will lead a 31-session book study starting Wednesday, January 27th.

Grief Support Group—The Rev. Dr. Debra May Cerra is leading a Zoom Grief Support Group Thursday, February 4th at 4:00 p.m. The sign-in credentials to get into the Zoom room remains the same as the past grief meetings. Contact Tammy at 330-719-8176 if you no longer have the email or need assistance logging into Zoom.

Thomas Group- The men have chosen “*The Best American Essay of the Century*” by Joyce Carol Oates as their next book. The book can be purchased for \$15 from Amazon. All men of the church are invited to attend via Zoom on Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. Contact Dr. Anderson if interested in more information or class link.

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

Souper Bowl of Caring Donations of boxes of cereal for the Poland Interfaith Food Pantry can be left on the porch of the Parish House. Monetary donations can be mailed to our office with “Souper Bowl” indicated on the memo line of the check. All money collected will be used to purchase cereal for the Food Pantry.

Christian Connection “Fifth Sunday” Everyone is invited to PPC’s Zoom Cooking Class at 1:00 p.m. on January 31st. Soup is the theme of this session! Link information is available on our website and in MailChimp.

Calendar for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday, January 24th

10:00-Video Worship Service
1:00-Confirmation Zoom Meeting
5:00-Sr. High Youth Zoom Meeting

Mon., January 25th

Tues., January 26th

8:00-Tuesday Evening Group Zoom

Wed., January 27th

9:00-Zoom Staff Meeting
6:30-*Believe* Book Study Zoom Group

Thurs., January 28th

7:30-Thomas Group Zoom Meeting
12:00-Zoom Lunch

Fri., January 29th

Sat., January 30th

Sunday, January 31st

10:00-Video Worship Service
1:00-Fifth Sunday Christian Connection Zoom “Cooking Class”