



my soul waits for
the LORD more than
those who watch
for the morning.

Psalm 130:6

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

*“a community of believers, called by God, led by the Holy Spirit
to know Christ and to make Christ known”*

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Bobbi Monroe, Liturgist

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Sharing of Opportunities, Joys and Concerns

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude Marilyn Neal, Organist

Lighting of the Candles Brylea Borbonus, Acolyte

Call to Worship (*Psalm 130*)

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

**People: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;**

Leader: my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning,

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People: O Israel, hope in the Lord!

**For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.**

*Hymn # 501

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

*Prayer of Confession

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. We follow the crowds around you but fail to grasp the good news you offer. We weep at the power of death but laugh at your promise of new life. Forgive us, God of grace. Heal us of all doubt and despair and give us the gift of faith by which you make us whole; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson	II Corinthians 8:7-15 (pg. 183 of NT)
Special Music	Matthew & Danielle Cyphert
Gospel Lesson	Mark 5:21-43 (pg. 39 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

(A Brief Statement of Faith)

*Favorites # 13

"He Touched Me"

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer (*"...debts...and debtors"*)

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

Matthew & Danielle Cyphert

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 638

"O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come"

*Benediction

*Postlude

*(*All who are able, please stand.)*

PLEASE JOIN us in the ritual of friendship by signing the attendance pads that are at one end of each of the pews. If you are here for the first time, we would appreciate it if you would give us your local telephone number. Please help yourself to a church brochure, a *Welcome Packet* or a copy of our newsletter, *Uplift*. These are available at the back of the church. We thank you for joining your voice to ours in sacred worship.

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Bobbi Monroe; Acolyte, Brylea Borbonus; Ushers, Tom Holby, Bobbi Monroe, Naomi Sigafoes, and Paul Soltesz; Projector, Mary Anzelone; Audio, Alex Baker; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in the sanctuary this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of Alvin and Eleanor Kitzmiller's 63rd wedding anniversary by Mary Anzelone.

A SPECIAL RECEPTION will be held today following worship to celebrate Marilyn Neal's 10 years of faithful service as organist. We hope you will stay and show your appreciation for the many ways she ministers to us with her gifts of music and love.

THE DEACONS will check blood pressures next Sunday following worship. Please see Kim McKinney or Beverly Lindsey to have your numbers checked.

THE NURSERY will be available today. Rose and Abby Lewis will be the attendants. Volunteers are needed on a rotating basis to stay with children during the worship hour. If you are interested in ministering in this area, please see Deb Lint. Training and child care clearances are necessary and will be provided.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE has been busy seeking a contractor to install carpeting in the sanctuary. After reviewing bids and checking references, an installer has been selected. The cost of the carpet and installation will be \$18,995. If you would like to contribute toward this cost, please mark your gift "Carpet Project." Thank you for your support.

AFTER MANY MONTHS OF CONSTRUCTION, our church website is finally up and running. If you have access to the internet, please take time to look us up at www.r-church.com. Your feedback is always welcome. There are a few minor adjustments still to be made but for the most part it is ready!

OUR SESSION has set up a meeting to learn more about The Fellowship Community. It is a new ministry whose aim is to bring together like-minded congregations who seek to be faithful to God's Word. The meeting will be held in Fellowship Hall Thursday, July 2 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Ralph Hawkins will be here to share information and answer questions. The gathering is open to anyone from the congregation who wants to learn more about this opportunity.

THE FOOD BANK is looking for a volunteer or two who would be willing to pick up bread donations. The donations are local and would need picked up and delivered to the church each Tuesday except distribution day. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Chery Artman.

THE SECRETARY will be out of the office from July 30th – August 7th. We are looking for individuals that are willing to sit in the office to answer the phone and greet visitors. If you are willing to volunteer for a few hours or a few days, please call and let Jill know, 724-459-7991. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

THE PENNSYLVANIA FAMILY SUPPORT ALLIANCE (PSFA) will provide a three-hour training that reviews the elements of child abuse, including the legal definitions of a child, perpetrator, and categories and indicators of abuse. The training provides an overview of mandated reporting including how to make a report, protections for those who report, and the liability for failing to report. The training will be held Wednesday, August 19th at the College Lodge, 226 Lodge Road, Indiana. There are two sessions to choose from: morning is 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and afternoon is 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. To register, email mseese@iccv.comcastbiz.net or call Melissa Seese at 724-471-7090. Please include your name, phone number, email and agency. Registration deadline is Monday, August 3rd.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will sponsor a vaccination clinic at the Blairsville Community Center. Several dates are planned: July 15, and August 19 from 9:45 – 11:30 a.m. You are eligible for vaccines at low or no cost if you are underinsured or uninsured. Please call the PA Dept. of Health at 724-357-2995 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

AN INDIANA COUNTY 4-H DAY CAMP will be held in Fellowship Hall July 14-16 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for kids ages 7-12 years. This year's camp is entitled, "Acres of Adventure." Exploring where our food comes from can be fun. Brochures for camp are available at the back of the sanctuary. Cost is \$40 per student and includes a t-shirt.

Mission Moment – *Active Life*

"If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." (Mark 5:28)

If God is infinite, then why does a sick woman in need of healing reach out to touch Jesus? When a girl needs healing, why does Jesus come to her bedside and hold her hand? For these people, Jesus' presence and gentle touch were transformational, both spiritually and physically. Today, he calls us also to seek physical and spiritual wellness for ourselves and others.

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) designated today as Active Life Sunday. How do we, like Jesus, glorify God in all we do? Do we heal the sick? Do we keep our own bodies healthy? Do we praise God through work and play as well as words? Do we welcome people with all types of bodies—all colors, shapes, sizes, and abilities? Do we worship God with heart, mind, soul, and strength—or just the first three? Are we as brave as the woman who came to Jesus in the crowd? The first question is this: "Do you want to be made well?" (John 5:6b)

Active Life Church, which supports Active Life Sunday, is an online community and resource center that helps congregations share Christ's good news and worship God more fully through physical activities and body-conscious theology.

—Rev. Alex Becker, pastor, Team Sweaty Sheep new worshipping community, Louisville, Kentucky

SUMMER WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	10:00 a.m. Worship
	11:00 a.m. Reception in honor of Marilyn Neal
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. Historical Society Meeting in Fellowship Hall
Thursday	3:00 p.m. Stitching Group in the parlor
	7:00 p.m. Informational Meeting regarding the Fellowship Community
Saturday	<i>Independence Day!</i>
Sunday	10:00 a.m. Worship
	11:00 a.m. Blood Pressure checks

GUEST MUSICIANS are being invited to come and share their talents with us during worship. If you or someone you know would like to share musical gifts, please contact Cindy Borbonus with your suggestions or for more information. The schedule to date is listed.

Today.....	Matthew & Danielle Cyphert
July 5	Betsy Holby
July 12	tba
July 19	tba
July 26	Sarah Noone
August 2	The Kukula Family
August 9	Angela Lyons
August 16	Jessica Clayton
August 23	Adam Loucks
August 30	Nightengals