

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE  
July 30, 2017 ~ 10:00 AM  
THE ORDER OF SERVICE



We know  
that all  
things work  
together  
for good for  
those who  
love God....

Romans 8:28

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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Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Dr. Roger D. Petersen

Words of Greeting Dennis Gould, 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 105*)  
Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.  
People: **Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wonderful works.**  
Leader: Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.  
People: **Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually.**  
Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered.  
People: **He is the Lord our God;  
his judgements are in all the earth.  
He is mindful of his covenant forever,  
of the word that he commanded,  
for a thousand generations.**

\*Hymn # 50 "Great Is the Lord"

\*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**O Lord our God, we confess that we do not reflect your glory.  
We devote ourselves to small things while you work for a greater  
purpose. We distract ourselves with grand designs while you  
surprise us with hidden wonders. Forgive us; restore and  
reorder our lives by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, so that  
we may know your will, seek your way, and share your work, to  
the glory of your holy name.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

- \*Gloria Patri
- \*Sharing of the Peace
- \*Time with the Younger Saints

### DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Lesson	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (pg. 14 of NT)
Special Music	Randy Doak
New Testament Lesson	Romans 8:26-39 (pg. 158 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy Monroe

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith *(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 52)*

What comfort does the return of Christ “to judge the living and the dead” give you?

**That in all affliction and persecution I may await with head held high the very Judge from heaven who has already submitted himself to the judgment of God for me and has removed all the curse from me; that he will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but he shall take me, together with all his elect, to himself into heavenly joy and glory.**

\*Hymn # 505 *“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”*

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer *(debt...and debtors...)*

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory Randy Doak

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn # 408 *“I Am Thine, O Lord”*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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

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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, Dennis Gould; Acolyte, Brylea Borbonus; Special Music, Randy Doak; Ushers, The Hartmann Family; Projector, Kayla Moran; Audio, Tyler Moran; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Russell Harvey by Sue Harvey and family.

WE WILL HOST families in the Family Promise Program beginning this afternoon through next Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. There are many tasks to be taken care of throughout the week. If you are interested in volunteering to help in this homeless ministry, please see Pastor Monroe or Gene Artman.

GRANNIES will meet Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Those signing up for the first time should bring proof of residence.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers for fellowship and to work on personal projects. Anyone interested is welcome to join them.

THE PRAYER CHAIN is coordinated by the Adult Sunday School Class. If you have a prayer request or know of someone’s need for prayer, please contact Nancy Campbell or the church office. Requests are kept in confidence.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Session packets are available to be picked up in the parlor.

VACCINATIONS are being offered by the Dept. of Health to those who are underinsured or uninsured. Shots are given by appointment only, at the Blairsville Community Center. Date and times are August 16 from 9:45 – 11:15 a.m. Please call the PA Dept. of Health at 724-357-2995 if you have questions or to schedule an appointment.

A CHOIR PICNIC will be held Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> beginning with swimming and fellowship at 3:00 p.m. followed at 5:00 p.m. with the picnic meal. All those interested in the choir and their families are invited to join Cindy, choir members and their families at the Borbonus Farm. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share. For more information, see Cindy or contact the church office. Choir rehearsals will begin Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. There is always room for you in the choir!

GUEST MUSICIANS are scheduled to share their musical talent during worship. If you or someone you know would be willing to share with us, please see Cindy Borbonus or contact the church office.

**Special Musicians Schedule**

Today.....Randy Doak  
August 6 .....Betsy Holby  
August 13 .....Adam Loucks

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING will be held in Fellowship Hall Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The training will cover church-specific scenarios. This 3 hour workshop will provide the required training in a format that will make sense to your situation as a church Elder, Deacon, VBS volunteer, Sunday School teacher/helper, staff or Pastor. Please register with Jill at 724-459-7991 or [upchurch@r-church.com](mailto:upchurch@r-church.com)

VOLUNTEERS are needed to assist residents of St. Andrew's Village. The third Monday of each month is shopping day at Walmart. Volunteers are needed to help push wheelchairs through the store as residents shop. If you are able and willing to help, please contact Nancy Campbell or the church office. Thank you.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in Clarksburg will host our guests from Rwanda September 12, 2017 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Rev. Celestin Nsengimana and Rose Marie Ibyashaka will be the guest speakers. The presentation is entitled, "The Rwanda Experience: Peace and Reconciliation in an Angry World." Dinner will be served immediately following. If you would like to attend, please register by calling the church office 724-459-7991 or the presbytery office 724-783-7196 by Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**SUMMER WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship Family Promise begins
<b>Monday</b>	9:00-12:00 p.m.	Grannies meet
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Court of Honor Family Promise
<b>Tuesday</b>	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank
	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting Family Promise
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Historical Society Family Promise
<b>Thursday</b>		Family Promise
<b>Friday</b>		Office Closed Family Promise
<b>Saturday</b>		Family Promise
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship Family Promise concludes