



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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World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2016 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

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

Willow Weimer, Acolyte

Introit # 549

"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

I love your kingdom, Lord,

The house of your abode,

The Church our blest Redeemer saved

With his own precious blood

Call to Worship

*Hymn # 362

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God: you love us, but we have not loved you; you call,
but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in
need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along
with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our Father,
help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us
in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Scripture Lesson

Psalms 78:1-19 (pg. 537 of OT)

Sermon

"The Table Is Set"

Dr. Petersen

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith *(Apostles' 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 on 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.

*Hymn # 353 *"Grace Greater than Our Sin"*

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory *"Light of the World"* The Children

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Anthem *"Christians, Come Gather at the Table"*
Chancel Choir, Cindy Borbonus, Director

Words of Institution

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

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

(Please hold the bread until all have received, we will partake together)

(Please hold the cup until all have received, we will partake together)

Prayer after Communion

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

And all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

And forget not all his benefits.

*Hymn # 569 vs. 1-2 *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

*Words of Commission

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Anyone who professes faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is invited to receive and share the sacrament.

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, Willow Weimer; Ushers, Bob & Vicky Doty and Ron & Kim McKinney; Projector, Blake Tonkin; Audio, Mitchell Tonkin; 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 loved ones by Kevin and Lori Smith.

IN CELEBRATION of World Communion Sunday, please notice the cloth and baskets on the communion table which are gifts from the Gitarama congregation our Rwanda partner church.

WE WILL receive the Peacemaking Offering this morning. These gifts supports Presbyterian ministries of peacemaking and witnessing to the peace of Christ.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS will begin Wednesday, October 5th at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room on the right side of the hallway in the Sunday School wing. If you are interested in the Bell Choir and would like more information, contact Vicky Westley.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00 p.m. Christmas cantata rehearsals will begin Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. Anyone wishing to participate in the special music is invited to attend rehearsals. The cantata will be presented Sunday, December 18th. For more information, contact Cindy Borbonus.

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 Shirley McLaughlin or the church office. Requests are kept in confidence.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE has begun to work on the 2017 budget. Committee chairs are asked to begin looking at your budget for next year and have your numbers submitted by Sunday, October 16th. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday, October 4th from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Those signing up for the first time are asked to bring proof of address.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for volunteers to be liturgists during morning worship. If you are interested in more information or to volunteer, please contact Elaine Jellison.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, October 4th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will meet in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00 p.m.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet in the parlor Thursday, October 6th at 3:00 p.m.

THE CHRISTIAN ED COMMITTEE will hold a meeting Thursday, October 6th at 6:00 p.m. All Sunday school teachers are asked to attend. Members of the session will also be in attendance.

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH has scheduled a Special Music Events Series. Today at 4:00 p.m. an "Organ Plus" concert will be held. David Billings, organ, Lucy Scandrett, harp, and Jack Scandrett, horn will perform a mainly French program featuring works of Franck, Grandjany and Hakim plus the premiere of "Christmas Carol Trilogy" for harp and organ. Admission is free and a reception will follow. Tickets are available at the door, www.PCCsing.org and 412-635-7654. More musical opportunities will be available in October and December.

"CONCERNED ABOUT ADDICTION: PICTURE YOUR COMMUNITY DRUG-FREE" is an event to talk about addiction, help and recovery. Speakers will include: US Attorney, David Hickton; Indiana County District Attorney, Patrick Dougherty; Family Services—Senior Manager of Outpatient Services, Kelley McNichols; and Certified Recovery Specialist Supervisor, Mike Krafick. The event will be held Wednesday, October 5th at the Rustic Lodge in Indiana from 6:00—8:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and is recommended for parents, loved ones, first responders, and concerned citizens.

THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN of Blairsville will hold a Harvest Festival Wednesday, October 12th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. A salad bar will be available for a donation of \$7.00. A bake sale, crafts and a flea market will also be available from 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door or contact the church office at 724-459-6155.

REGULAR WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion with Rev. Dr. Roger Petersen <i>Peacemaking Offering received</i>
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries
	6:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:45 p.m.	Cantata Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Historical Society Meeting
Thursday	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Christian Ed, Sunday School Teachers and Elders will meet
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship