



Jesus Visits Zacchaeus

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

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

Olivia Eckenroad, Acolyte

Introit # 663 vs. 3

"God's Holy Ways"

Tell once again his deeds of old, the story of our mighty God:

O praise him, alleluia! For all his glorious works and ways

We shall rejoice through endless days:

O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Call to Worship (*Psalms 119*)

Leader: You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgements are right.

**People: You have appointed your decrees in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.**

Leader: Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

**People: Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness,
and your law is the truth.**

Leader: Trouble and anguish have come upon me,
but your commandments are my delight.

**People: Your decrees are righteous forever;
give me understanding that I may live.**

*Hymn # 25

"Let All Creation Bless the Lord"

*Prayer of Confession

**Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from
sin. We follow the crowd around you but stand apart, keeping
our distance. We ask for your mercy and favor, but begrudge
your blessing to others. Forgive us, God of grace. Come to us
and save us, for without you, we are lost, but in you, our lives
are found; 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

Old Testament Lesson Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 (pg. 871 of OT)
Anthem *"O God of Truth and Justice"*
 Chancel Choir, Director, Cindy Borbonus
Gospel Lesson Luke 19:1-10 (pg. 82 of NT)
Sermon Rev. Timothy 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)

*Hymn # 68 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

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

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 408 *"I Am Thine, O Lord"*

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*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, Dennis Gould; Acolyte, Olivia Eckenroad; Ushers, Bob & Diane Hanna and Rick & Willa Shoemaker; 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 with fond memories of Marguerite, Janie, Bea and Marilyn given by Mary Anzelone.

THE FAMILY PROMISE PROGRAM will begin at our church today. This program is a ministry to homeless families. If you are interested in volunteering to help this week, please see Gene Artman or Pastor Monroe.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries Tuesday, November 1st from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Proof of residence is needed when signing up for the first time.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, November 1st at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

THE BLAIRSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will hold their annual holiday dinner in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, November 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, November 3rd at 3:00 p.m. in the parlor. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

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.

FREE FLU SHOTS are being offered today from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the Blairsville High School. Anyone 3 years old and up are eligible. Shots are free for everyone on a first come first serve basis. Sponsored by The Health and Human Services Subcommittee (HHSS) part of the Indiana County Disaster Planning Committee of the Emergency Management Agency (EMA). For more information call 724-463-8200 ext. 4213.

We would like to thank all those who have sent cards and called sharing your condolences. Your prayers and support are very much appreciated.

Bobbi and Pastor Tim

We thank William "Big Tree" Streams for donating four beautiful mums to the church. William is the son of Phyllis Streams.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will NOT be held Wednesday, November 2nd due to Family Promise. There are two open positions in the three octave choir. If you are interested in more information, please see Vicky Westley, director.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Christmas cantata rehearsals will be held Wednesdays 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 2ND ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS COAT DRIVE is now underway. This year we are receiving monetary donations for the purchase of specific size coats. If you would like to contribute to the coat drive, please mark your donation clearly for "Coats". If you know of a family with children who may need a winter coat, please contact Janet Smith.

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, we collect items for the Pathway Homeless Shelter in Black Lick based on their specific needs at that time. This shelter serves all of Indiana County. Throughout the month of October, we will be collecting: cleaning supplies, paper towels, disinfectant spray and dishwasher tabs. Items can be placed in the designated container in the vestibule.

CPR TRAINING is being coordinated by the Deacons. If you are interested in attending a training event, please call the church office at 724-459-7991 or see Susie Cotti. The date will be set according to the availability of attendees.

THE BLAIRSVILLE COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND, under the direction of Dave Brozeski and Lou Iezzi, will present its annual Veteran's Day performance at the Center for the Performing Arts located at Blairsville High School Thursday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free, but voluntary donations for the support of the band are appreciated.

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will host the Fox Chapel Area High School Choirs directed by Benjamin Murray. The choirs will present a Choral Concert today at 4:00 p.m. at the Fox Chapel Church. Tickets are available at the door. For more information contact the church at 412-963-8243.

THE SUICIDE TASK FORCE OF INDIANA COUNTY will host a free community wide training on QPR – Question, Persuade, Refer. QPR is 3 simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. People trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade and refer someone to help. Training is scheduled for Monday, November 7th at 5:30 p.m. at the Blairsville Middle School auditorium. For more information or to register, contact Brandy Rummel at 724-463-8200 ext. 4221.

STS. SIMON & JUDE PARISH will host a craft show Saturday, November 12th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. A variety of crafters will be set up along with good food, a bake sale and basket raffle.

THE ANGELS' WINGS Christmas Gift Program is underway. The Indiana Gazette and ICCAP have teamed up with the mission that no child should go without a Christmas present. Angel trees are located locally. If you choose to participate, the Angel tags have instructions to follow. For more information, call the church office.

REGULAR WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
		Family Promise begins
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall
		Family Promise
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries
	6:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting in Fellowship Hall
		Family Promise
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Historical Society Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:45 p.m.	Cantata Rehearsal
		Family Promise
Thursday	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
		Family Promise
Friday		Family Promise
Saturday		Family Promise
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
		Family Promise concludes
		<i>Set your clocks back – Daylight Saving Time ends</i>