



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

Mary Anzelone, 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

Introit # 96

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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My great Redeemer's praise,

The glories of my God and King,

The triumphs of his grace!

Call to Worship (*Psalm 66*)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

People: Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

Leader: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great power,

your enemies cringe before you.

**People: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name."**

Leader: Come and see what God has done:

He is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

People: Bless our God, O peoples,

let the sound of his praise be heard,

who has kept us among the living,

and has not let our feet slip.

*Hymn # 66

"To God Be the Glory"

*Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin.

You offer us your grace, but we fail to show our gratitude. You

heal us by your mercy, but we fail to give you glory. Forgive us,

God of grace. Strengthen us in faith, so that we may be made well

and live to praise your name; 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 Timothy 2:8-15 (pg. 212 of NT)
Anthem	<i>"Jesus Is All the World to Me"</i>
	Chancel Choir, Director, Cindy Borbonus
Gospel Lesson	Luke 17:11-19 (pg. 80 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

- *Affirmation of Faith *(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 86)*
Since we are redeemed from our sin and its wretched consequences by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why must we do good works? Because just as Christ has redeemed us with his blood he also renews us through his Holy Spirit according to his own image, so that with our whole life we may show ourselves grateful to God for his goodness and that he may be glorified through us; and further, so that we ourselves may be assured of our faith by its fruits and by our reverent behavior may win our neighbors to Christ.
- *Hymn # 726 *"We Praise You, O God"*
 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 # 60 *"I Will Sing of the Mercies of the 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, Mary Anzelone; Ushers, Doug & Andrea Clayton; Projector, Jonathan Clayton; Audio, Alex Baker; 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 Beverly and Irving Lindsey.

THE DEACONS will check blood pressures following worship today. Please see Susie Cotti if you would like to have your numbers checked.

GRANNIES will meet in Fellowship Hall Monday, October 10th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet Wednesday, October 12th at 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, October 12th 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 12th 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.

STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, October 13th 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 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 look at your budget for next year and have your numbers submitted by next Sunday, October 16th. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

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 BLAIRSVILLE AREA MINISTERIUM will meet Friday, October 14th at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude Catholic Church.

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	Dishwasher tabs

Items can be placed in the designated container in the vestibule. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to the "Board of Deacons." Also at any time, the shelter will take donations of any gently used or new household items. Anything that a person might need to set up a house from small appliances to furniture. Pathway stores these items and then when a family has the opportunity to move into housing, they are able to help furnish them with items. If you have any questions, please contact the Deacons.

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.

MISSION MOMENT- *Domestic Violence Awareness*

In 2008, Dorene Seidl, a beloved, long-term member of Briargate Presbyterian Church in Louisville, Kentucky, was killed by her husband when she was attempting to leave their relationship of over 40 years. That's when domestic violence visited our church. It was heartbreakingly real. Last October, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the family and the congregation committed to make something good come from their tragedy. We invited area congregations to a community-wide awareness program. We hoped that what had happened in our congregation wouldn't happen in theirs. Pam Scanlon, Dorene's daughter, courageously prepared to tell her family's story. Pam's husband worked with other men in the congregation to make a life-sized Silent Witness silhouette with a placard that gave a brief description of what happened. Silent Witness silhouettes are a project of Silent Witness International, which honors the lives of domestic violence victims. Although people killed by domestic violence no longer have a voice, the silhouettes "speak" for them. We used the expertise and the resources provided by the Presbyterians Against Domestic Violence Network, which is part of the Presbyterian Health, Education and Welfare Association; the video "Broken Vows"; and an exercise called "Janet's Story," which attempts to answer the question that is so often asked, "Why does she stay?" Perhaps a better question is "Why does he abuse?" We marked our effort as an excellent start and have been pleased that doors are opening to engagement in this difficult discussion. Unfortunately, too many people, including people worshipping with us, still live in the tragic world of abuse. As part of our ministry

- we have been invited to share our hard-won knowledge with other faith groups, making this an ecumenical outreach;
- we have identified other Presbyterians with personal experience and expertise to form a network with Mid-Kentucky Presbytery;
- our local community ministry has asked for training for its staff, with the possibility of future programming for its clients.

God's intention for all of us is abundant life!

REGULAR WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Blood pressure checks
Monday	9:00-12:00 p.m.	Grannies in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	5:30 p.m.	Daisy Troop in Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:45 p.m.	Cantata Rehearsal
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