



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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February 5, 2017 ~ 11:00 AM

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

Willow Weimer, Acolyte

Introit # 17

"Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"

Praise the Lord! O heavens, adore him;

praise him angels in the height;

sun and moon, bow down before him;

praise him, shining stars of light.

Praise the Lord, for he hath spoken;

Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;

Laws which never shall be broken

for their guidance he has made.

Call to Worship (*Psalm 112*)

Leader: Happy are those who fear the Lord,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**People: Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Leader: Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

**People: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

Leader: For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.

**People: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

*Hymn # 71 *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

*Prayer of Confession

God of glory, we confess that we have not sought your face. We ignore the needs of the poor and turn away from our own kin. We allow the gospel to go stale, and hide the light you have given. Forgive us; give us grace. By the renewing gifts of your Spirit inspire and empower us again to show the wonder of your love in 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	Isaiah 58:1-9 (pg. 688 of OT)
Anthem	<i>“The Gift of Love”</i>
	Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 5:13-20 (pg. 4 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

- *Affirmation of Faith (Romans 8:4-6)
- So that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.**
- *Hymn # 670 *“O Word of God Incarnate”*
- Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer *(debt...and debtors...)*
- Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word
- Offertory
- *Doxology
- *Prayer of Dedication
- *Hymn # 541 *“Church of God, Elect and Glorious”*
- *Benediction
- *Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Mary Anzelone; Acolyte, Willow Weimer; Projector, Shakira McKinney; Audio, Jaison McKinney; Organist, Marilyn Neal and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday, February 7th from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Those signing up for the first time should bring proof of residence.

A DEACON MEETING will be held Tuesday, February 7th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet Wednesday, February 8th at 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, February 8th at 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in more information, please see Vicky Westley, director.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, February 8th at 7:00 p.m. There is always room in the choir for one more voice. For more information, contact Cindy Borbonus, director.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, February 9th 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 the group.

THE BLAIRSVILLE AREA MINISTERIUM will meet Friday, February 10th at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude's Marion Hall.

A PRESBYTERY MEETING is scheduled for Saturday, February 11th at 10:00 a.m. at Concord Dayton Church. Ron Hood will attend as commissioner with Pastor Tim.

SEVERAL DATES are still available on the 2017 flower chart. If you would like to order flowers for Sunday worship, please use the chart to sign-up for your choice of date. Flowers are \$20/Sunday and checks can be made payable to the Board of Deacons.

DURING the months of February and March the Deacons will be collecting the following items for Torrance State Hospital patients: liquid and bar soap, shampoo, new or used music CD's, puzzles and greeting cards. You may leave the items in the box in the back of the sanctuary marked for Torrance State Hospital.

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.

IF YOU have son or daughter who is a student in college and would like them to be included in the Deacon's mailing list, please give their name and address to Bobbi Monroe or leave the information with the church office.

THE SESSION COMMITTEES FOR 2017

Each year the committees of session seek to have volunteers become active participants. Please review the committees and their responsibilities and consider serving. If you would like more information or have questions, please see Pastor Monroe or an elder.

Worship – Elaine Jellison, chair - Worship services, sacraments, music, funerals, weddings

Mission – Gene Artman, chair - Benevolences, special offerings, global & local missions and missionaries

Christian Education – Nancy Hartmann & Kim McKinney, co-chairs – Sunday school programs, curriculum, adult education, youth work, leadership education

Finance – Rick Shoemaker, chair - Finances, special funds, and annual budget

Stewardship – Rick Shoemaker, chair - Stewardship education and programs, challenges the congregation in its faithful use of the many different resources entrusted to our care

Property & Maintenance – Bob Cosharek, chair - Construction, maintenance, repairs, housekeeping, safety, security, yard work, inventory

Congregational Fellowship – Nancy Hartmann & Elaine Jellison, co-chairs - Suppers, Dinner Theater, picnics, outings, trips, camping

Evangelism – Gene Artman, chair - New member recruitment and assimilation, outreach, publicity

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS

February 8, 8:45 am – 12:15 pm.....PA Careerlink Bldg
March 8, 5:45 pm – 8:30 pm.....ICCAP
The cost is free. To register, contact Family Promise at 724-464-5220.

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. Dates and times are February 15, March 15, and April 19 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.

REGULAR WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Souper Bowl Offering received
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries
	6:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	5:30 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Choir rehearsal
Thursday	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group meets in the parlor
	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Unit Meeting
Friday	11:00 a.m.	Ministerium Meeting
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
		Scout Sunday
		Firemen's Fundraiser Dinner in Fellowship Hall