

“Who is my neighbor?”

Luke 10:29



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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July 10, 2016 ~ 10:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting

Gene Artman, 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

Call to Worship (*Psalm 82*)

Leader: God has taken his place in the divine council;
in the midst of the gods he holds judgement:

**People: “How long will you judge unjustly
and show partiality to the wicked?”**

Leader: Give justice to the weak and the orphan;
maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.

**People: Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”**

**All: Rise up, O God, judge the earth;
for all the nations belong to you!**

*Hymn # 56

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

*Prayer of Confession

**We believe that God brings justice to the oppressed and gives
bread to the hungry. We believe that God frees the prisoner and
restores sight to the blind. We believe that God supports the
downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows,
and blocks the path of the ungodly.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson	Colossians 1:1-14 (pg. 199 of NT)
Anthem	The Bruner Family
Gospel Lesson	Luke 10:25-37 (pg. 71 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)

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 457 *"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"*

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer (*"...debts...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

*Hymn # 688 *"We Give Thee but Thine Own"*

*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, Gene Artman; Ushers, Willa & Rick Shoemaker, Peg Lockard and Mary Anzelone; Projector, Blake Tonkin; Audio, Mitchell Tonkin; Guest Musicians, the Bruner family; 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 grandparents and parents by Bonni Dunlap.

THE CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE would like you to save the dates...July 31st immediately following worship, we'll gather in Fellowship Hall and the church yard for a church picnic. The day will include baseball, hotdogs and an Apple Pie Contest. RSVP's are not necessary however we would like to know if you're participating in the pie contest. Please use the insert to let us know.

THEN ON August 20th, "Out of Sync," a fun night of singing and joyful noises will entertain us. You won't want to miss it...but you might if there is not enough interest. Please let us know if you plan to entertain or just attend for the fun of it by completing the bulletin insert.

GRANNIES will meet Monday, July 11th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in being a part of this group, stop by the Fellowship Hall. There are tasks for all skill levels and we would love to have you.

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. Requests are kept in confidence.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will provide vaccinations for those underinsured or uninsured from 9:45 – 11:15 a.m. at the Blairsville Community Center, July 20 and August 17. The vaccines are by appointment only. Please call 724-357-2995 to schedule an appointment.

“BE A FOOD DETECTIVE” is the theme of this year's Indiana County 4-H Day Camp sponsored by the Penn State Extension Office. The camp is for kids ages 7–12 and will be held in Fellowship Hall July 12-14th. Registration fee is \$40.00 per camper and each camper receives a T-shirt. For more information, call 724-465-3880.

THE OFFICIAL “Assembly in Brief” is in your bulletin this morning. Please take a look at the happenings at the 222nd General Assembly. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Monroe.

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will host an informational open house with our commissioners regarding the focus and results of the 222nd General Assembly Thursday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m. To receive feedback directly from our commissioners will be a true blessing. Please take advantage of this opportunity. Hope to see you there.

THE FOOD BANK workers are looking for grocery store plastic bags such as Walmart bags, Giant Eagle bags, etc. A container is located at the back of the sanctuary for your donations.

SUMMER MUSICIANS

July 10 The Bruner Family
 July 17 Randy Doak
 July 31 Danielle Cyphert
 August 7 Angela Lyons
 August 14 Henry Foder
 August 21 Betsy Holby
 August 28 Adam Loucks

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS are being offered through the Financial Literacy Collaboration. Do you run out of money before you run out of month? Attend an interactive and free workshop for help. Dates, times and place are listed.

July 13 12:45-3:30 pm PA Careerlink Bldg.
 August 10 5:45-8:30 pm ICCAP Office
 September 14 8:45-12:15 pm PA Careerlink Bldg.
 October 12 8:45-12:15 pm PA Careerlink Bldg.
 November 9 5:45-8:30 pm ICCAP Office
 December 14 12:45-3:30 pm PA Careerlink Bldg

CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP is sponsoring a 5 Day Club at Cornell Creamery July 11-15 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. for kids aged 5 – 12 years. It will be a fun-filled week of games, songs, stories, ice cream, and exciting Bible lessons. The staff is professionally trained and has up-to-date background clearances. For more information, call CEF at 724-463-1600.

SUMMER WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	10:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion Fellowship Hall reserved
Monday	9:00-12:00 p.m.	Grannies
Tuesday	9:00-3:00 p.m.	4-H Camp in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	9:00-3:00 p.m.	4-H Camp in Fellowship Hall
Thursday	9:00-3:00 p.m.	4-H Camp in Fellowship Hall
	5:30 p.m.	Sanctuary reserved
	7:00 p.m.	GA Informational Open House at Bethel Presbyterian Church
Friday		Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary reserved
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Clark Bruner

MISSION MOMENT- *San Francisco Theological Seminary*

When Joanne Martindale's phone rang one morning, she couldn't have imagined the reason for the call. At the time, she was a student at San Francisco Theological Seminary; a single mother of two boys, ages five and six; the director of chaplaincy at Ancora Psychiatric Hospital in Hammonton, New Jersey, and a chaplain in the New Jersey Army National Guard. She had been practicing ministry since 1988. The voice on the other end was her commanding officer, calling her into a job that would end up lasting for months, taking her to landscapes not covered on any maps. The date was September 11, 2001. Martindale, along with all the other chaplains and chaplain assistants from the New Jersey and New York National Guard, ministered in the devastation of ground zero and the nearby Fresh Kills landfill on Staten Island. "My expert areas in the military include loss support groups and reading body language," Martindale said. "Half the chaplains were told to report to ground zero for duty, and the other half were told to report at the landfill." Her job as chaplain was to study the behavior of workers responding to the deaths and devastation and to see when it was time for them to be pulled off the line. "Were they getting stressed? Were they overcome with grief? How much longer could they work? These were the questions I asked myself as I watched and assessed," Martindale said. She observed FEMA workers, firefighters, National Guard soldiers, and mortuary affairs personnel, to name a few. "I was given permission to pull them off the line if I thought their behavior was getting near the 'danger zone' of grief and burnout." Martindale recalled, "One afternoon I walked up to a man who was sawing off the top of a car. When he pulled off the top, he found a child seat and little girl's doll. When he saw the doll, he hit his limit and threw his saw with superhuman strength. He swore and said, 'What the hell is this world coming to when little girls are killed? I can't handle this s___!'" With that he walked away, swearing. We walked three miles around the landfill before he said anything. I noticed he was walking slower, the cussing had stopped and the anger subsided. He said, 'Last year my daughter died. My wife left me. Why is there so much pain in the world? I don't get it, Chaplain!'" Martindale didn't offer him platitudes or certainties, because for him that day, there were none. She provided a pastoral presence, a listening ear, a nonjudgmental attitude and care. Chaplain Martindale later became one of only three female Army Reserve chaplains in the United States to achieve the rank of colonel.

Judy Zimola, Communications Manager, San Francisco Theological Seminary