My Grade is sufficient for thee: for my **Strength** is made perfect in Weak Ness.

2 Corinthians 12:9

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

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July 5, 2015 ~ 10:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Sharing of Opportunities, Joys and Concerns

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude Lighting of the Candles Marilyn Neal, Organist Willow Weimer, Acolyte

Call to Worship (Psalm 48)

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

People: We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

Leader: Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

People: Your right hand is filled with victory. Our God will be our guide forever.

*Hymn # 50

"Great Is the Lord"

*Prayer of Confession

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You sent prophets to teach us, but we have not listened to them. You sent your Son to save us, but we ignore your living Word. Forgive us, God of grace. By your power at work within us remove our faithlessness and restore our faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

Dennis Gould, Liturgist

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson	II Corinthians 12:2-10 (pg. 185 of NT)
Special Music	Rachel Henigan
Gospel Lesson	Mark 6:1-13 (pg. 40 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

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 # 480 "Open My Eyes, that I May See"

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer ("...debts...and debtors")

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #727

*Benediction

*Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

"America, the Beautiful"

SUMMER WORSHIP CALENDAR

Today	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Blood Pressure checks
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Rev. Dr. Roger Petersen

GUEST MUSICIANS are being invited to come and share their talents with us during worship. If you or someone you know would like to share musical gifts, please contact Cindy Borbonus with your suggestions or for more information. The schedule to date is listed.

Today	Rachel Henigan
July 12	Betsy Holby
July 19	tba
July 26	Sarah Noone
August 2	The Kukula Family
August 9	Angela Lyons
August 16	Jessica Clayton
August 23	Adam Loucks
August 30	Nightengals
September 6	0 0



"JONAH'S BIG ADVENTURE"

Saturday, July 18 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Hear the story of Jonah and learn how God gave him a second chance and how he will give you one too.

Make a craft, play some games, have a cool snack, be with your Sunday school friends for an afternoon.

For more information see: Deb Lint, Jen Borbonus or contact the office. 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 & Diane Hanna and Jim & Mary Piper; Projector, Kayla Moran; Audio, Tyler Moran; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in the sanctuary this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Patrick and Janeen Swope.

THE DEACONS will check blood pressures today following worship. Please see Kim McKinney or Beverly Lindsey to have your numbers checked.

THE NURSERY will be available today. Becky Bence and Zack Hartmann will be the attendants. Volunteers are needed on a rotating basis to stay with children during the worship hour. If you are interested in ministering in this area, please see Deb Lint. Training and child care clearances are necessary and will be provided.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE has been busy seeking a contractor to install carpeting in the sanctuary. After reviewing bids and checking references, an installer has been selected. The cost of the carpet and installation will be \$18,995. If you would like to contribute toward this cost, please mark your gift "Carpet Project." Thank you for your support.

THE SECRETARY will be out of the office from July 30^{th} – August 7^{th} . We are looking for individuals that are willing to sit in the office to answer the phone and greet visitors. If you are willing to volunteer for a few hours or a few days, please call and let Jill know, 724-459-7991. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

AFTER MANY MONTHS OF CONSTRUCTION, our church website is finally up and running. If you have access to the internet, please take time to look us up at www.r-church.com. Your feedback is always welcome.

To my church family,

Thank you for the beautiful reception and time of fellowship last Sunday celebrating my music ministry. Thank you to everyone who left cards, gifts, and wonderful words of encouragement! It is a joy to be a part of this church family and I look forward to serving with you and to the Glory of God for many years to come. I pray daily for the church and I appreciate all your prayers for me! God bless us all, Marilyn

MARY ANZELONE will be out of town on July 5 and 12. There will be no projection these Sundays.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday, July 7^{th} from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. For those signing up for the first time, please bring proof of residence. If you have questions about the Food Bank, please see Chery Artman or Diane Hanna.

AN INDIANA COUNTY 4-H DAY CAMP will be held in Fellowship Hall July 14-16 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for kids ages 7-12 years. This year's camp is entitled, "Acres of Adventure." Exploring where our food comes from can be fun. Brochures for camp are available at the back of the sanctuary. Campers Cost is \$40 per student.

THE FOOD BANK is looking for a volunteer or two who would be willing to pick up bread donations. The donations are local and would need picked up and delivered to the church each Tuesday except distribution day. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Chery Artman.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will sponsor a vaccination clinic at the Blairsville Community Center. Several dates are planned: July 15, and August 19 from 9:45 – 11:30 a.m. You are eligible for vaccines at low or no cost if you are underinsured or uninsured. Please call the PA Dept. of Health at 724-357-2995 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

WALK WORKS is a new health initiative in Blairsville to get people out of their homes and walking. A kickoff event will be held Monday, July 6th at 6:00 p.m. at S&T Bank. There will be giveaways and more information available. Walk Works groups will be walking every Monday-Friday at 9:00 a.m. and at 6:00 p.m. beginning at S&T Bank and traveling through town. Plan to walk with one group or both for steps to a healthier you. Walk Works is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Blairsville Downtown Group. Like Blairsville Walk Works on facebook for updates. Brochures are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Mission Moment – Immigration Sunday

Keith Neill began his ministry in Portadown, Northern Ireland, playing in a Christian rock band and volunteering with the youth at his church. There, he felt the call to youth ministry, first part-time and then fulltime. All told, he guided the youth of Portadown and Lisburn for 23 years. In 2013 Keith and his wife, Jennifer, began to wonder if God was preparing them, again, for a new challenge. He interviewed at other churches but did not sense that they were the answer to the restlessness he felt. Upon returning from one such interview in London, he read an online ad for a youth worker position in Hutchinson, Kansas. It was uncanny, as Keith had been visiting Hutchinson for years, bringing youth from Ireland to participate in a Christian peacemaking project. In fact, on one such trip he brought his daughter, who met and eventually married a man from Hutchinson! Could this be the answer to the restlessness he had been feeling? Many calls, prayers, and a successful immigration petition later, it became clear that Keith was being sent out again, this time across the world to serve God as the director of youth, Christian education, and mission at First Presbyterian Church in Hutchinson. In today's Gospel reading from Mark, Jesus sends out his disciples to travel from village to village to teach and heal. How excited and anxious they must have felt to receive such a call. And how many lives were no doubt changed by their answering it. Our church is blessed that people still answer this call today.

-Teresa Waggener, coordinator, immigration issues, Office of the General Assembly