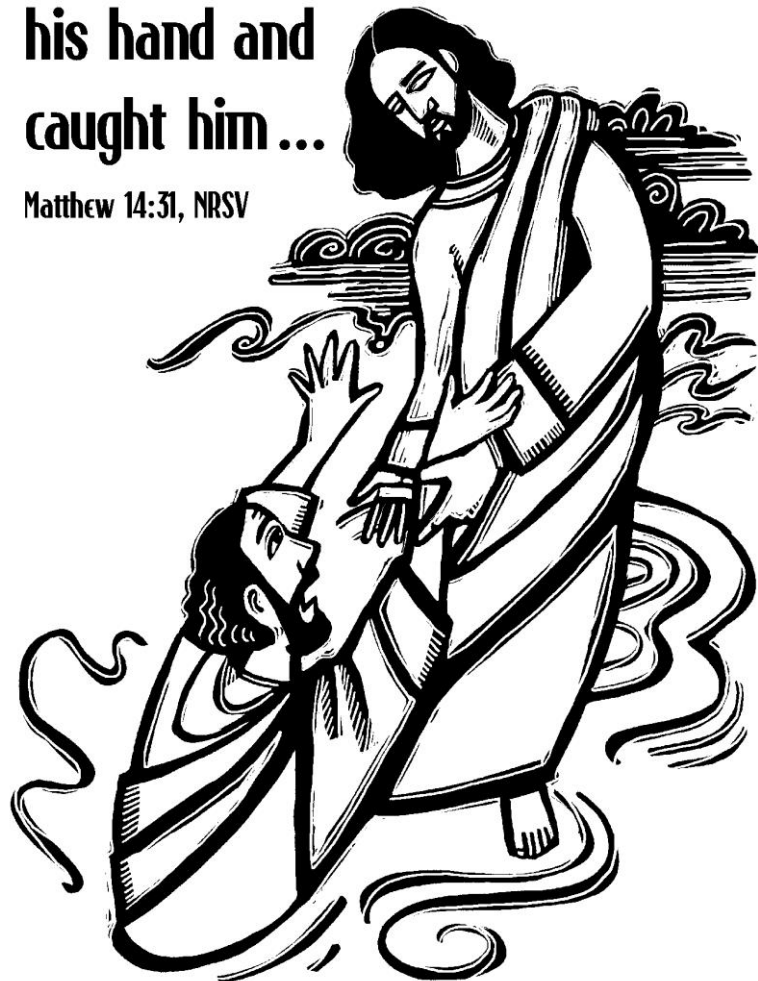


**Jesus immediately reached out
his hand and
caught him ...**

Matthew 14:31, NRSV



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 UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

August 13, 2017 ~ 10:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting

Bobbi Monroe, 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

Call to Worship (*Psalms 105*)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

**People: Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**People: Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.**

**All: Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered,
O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

*Hymn # 82 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*Prayer of Confession

**O Lord our God, we confess that we do not reflect your glory. In
fear, we conspire against those whose dreams might threaten
ours. In fear, we fail to recognize the very one who comes to
save us. Forgive us; restore and reorder our lives by the grace of
the Lord Jesus Christ, so that we do not sink back into fear, but
walk boldly in faith, to the glory of your holy name.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson	Romans 10:5-15 (pg. 160 of NT)
Special Music	Adam Loucks
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 14:22-33 (pg. 16 of NT)
Sermon	Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith *(The Second Helvetic Confession)*

Christian faith is not an opinion or human conviction, but a most firm trust and a clear and steadfast assent of the mind, and then a most certain apprehension of the truth of God presented in the Scriptures and in the Apostles' Creed, and thus also of God himself, the greatest good, and especially of God's promise and of Christ who is the fulfillment of all promises.

But this faith is a pure gift of God which God alone of his grace gives to his elect according to his measure when, to whom and to the degree he wills. And he does this by the Holy Spirit by means of the preaching of the Gospel and steadfast prayer.

*Hymn # 569 *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

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

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

Adam Loucks

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 56 *"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"*

*Benediction

*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, Bobbi Monroe; Acolyte, Olivia Eckenroad; Special Music, Adam Loucks; Ushers, Terry & Barb Brown and Brent & Tammy Ritchie; Projector, Shakira McKinney; Audio, Jaison McKinney; 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 Jeff and Rose Lewis.

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GRANNIES will meet Monday, August 14th in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

A WYOTECH LUNCHEON is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15th at 11:00 a.m. The luncheons are an outreach ministry of the Mission Committee and friends.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Tuesday, August 15th 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 them.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, August 15th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING will be held in Fellowship Hall Thursday, August 17th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The training will cover church-specific scenarios. This 3 hour workshop will provide the required training in a format that will make sense to your situation as a church Elder, Deacon, VBS volunteer, Sunday School teacher/helper, staff or Pastor. All those in the congregation who hold these titles, currently serving or not, are encouraged to attend. Please register with Jill at 724-459-7991 or upchurch@r-church.com.

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.

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. Date and times are August 16 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.

A CHOIR PICNIC will be held Sunday, August 27th beginning with swimming and fellowship at **3:00 p.m.** followed at 5:00 p.m. with the picnic meal. All those interested in the choir and their families are invited to join Cindy, choir members and their families at the Borbonus Farm. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share. For more information, see Cindy or contact the church office. Choir rehearsals will begin Wednesday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m.

GUEST MUSICIANS are scheduled to share their musical talent during worship. If you or someone you know would be willing to share with us, please see Cindy Borbonus or contact the church office.
Special Musicians Schedule

Today.....Adam Loucks
August 20 Organ & Piano Duet
August 27 Rachel Henigan

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in Clarksburg will host our guests from Rwanda September 12, 2017 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Rev. Celestin Nsengimana and Rose Marie Ibyashaka will be the guest speakers. Dinner will be served immediately following. If you would like to attend, please register by calling the church office 724-459-7991 or the presbytery office 724-783-7196 by Friday, September 1st.



Sunday School Annual Kickoff Breakfast

"You are God's Masterpiece!" Ephesians 2:10

Sunday, September 10th 9:45 AM

Join us as we begin our Sunday School year with our annual Kickoff Breakfast. Everyone is invited...come enjoy fellowship with us and learn about the different classes that are available to you. Sunday School classes will begin Sunday, September 17th at 9:45 a.m.

SUMMER WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	11:00 a.m.	WyoTech Luncheon
	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee Meeting
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Mandated Reporter Training
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship