

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

ACTS 2:3. 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 May 20, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting

Connie Bruner, 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

Lighting of the Candles

Introit # 48

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Call to Worship (Psalm 104)

L: O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

P: When you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

L: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

P: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

L: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works-

P: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

All: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

*Hymn # 50

"Great Is the Lord"

*Prayer of Confession

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You send your Word to enliven us, yet we remain dry bones. You send your Spirit to empower us, yet we fail to dream new dreams. Forgive us, God of grace. Lead us according to your way, guide us into your truth, and deliver us from death to life; 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 John 15:26-27, 16:4-15 (pg. 110 of NT) Anthem "Till You Come Again"

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson Acts 2:1-22 (pg. 119 of NT)
Sermon Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

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.

(Apostles' Creed)

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 492 "Spirit of the Living God"

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 # 461

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

- *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, Connie Bruner; Ushers, Rick & Willa Shoemaker, Nancy Campbell and Tom Smith; Projector, Shakira McKinney; Audio, Jaison McKinney; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

GRANNIES will meet in Fellowship Hall Monday, May 21^{st} from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

BELL CHOIR rehearsal will be held Wednesday, May 23rd at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room. We need ringers! If you are interested in more information or have questions on ringing, please see Vicky Westley.

THE CHOIR will be taking a break for the summer months. Beginning in June, we will host guest musicians during worship. If you or someone you know would like to share a musical talent during worship, please see Cindy Borbonus or contact the church office.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, May 24th at 3:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers for fellowship and to work on personal projects. Anyone interested is welcome.

THE OFFICE will be closed Monday, May 28^{th} in recognition of the Memorial Day holiday.

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.

THE CHRISTIAN ED COMMITTEE is looking for the names of upcoming graduates from high school or schools of higher learning. We will recognize the accomplishments of our young people during worship Sunday, June 10th at 10:00 a.m. Please submit names of graduates to the church office or see Kim McKinney.

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 27TH is the last day of our Regular Schedule. Our Summer Schedule begins Sunday, June 3rd. Worship will move to 10:00 a.m. Sunday School and Chancel Choir will be in recess for the summer and will resume after Labor Day.

DURING the month of May the Deacons are collecting the following items for Torrance State Hospital patients: gently used or new suitcases, body wash and men's & women's deodorant. You may leave the items in the box in the back of the sanctuary marked for Torrance State Hospital.

REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Last day of Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion
		Teacher Appreciation
Monday	9:00-12:00 p.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boys Scout Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship with Clark Bruner
		Last day of the Regular Schedule



Vacation Bible School

June 11 - 15, 2018

Program is held 6:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Optional light dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Ages 3 years (potty trained) - 5th grade this year

Each day in VBS we will learn many new things! We will hear Bible stories, sing songs, play fun games, create cool crafts and more.

Please use the bulletin insert to register your child/ren.

For more information, please see Cindy Borbonus or Kim McKinney or call the church office.

A VBS Program will be presented during worship Sunday, June 17th at 10:00 a.m.