# THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE July 29, 2018 ~ 10:00 AM

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Five Bach Chorales
The Blairsville Brass Band

Words of Greeting

Dennis Gould, 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 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship (Psalm 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 judgments he has uttered.

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

\*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You are always faithful to us, yet we pursue our own desires. You are generous beyond measure, yet we jealously hoard your gifts. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to comprehend the height and depth and breadth of your great love for all; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson Ephesians 3:14-21 (pg. 193 of OT)

Special Music "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Gospel Lesson John 6:1-21 (pg. 97 of NT)
Sermon Rev. Timothy Monroe

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith

(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 27-28)

What do you understand by the providence of God?

The almighty and ever-present power of God whereby he still upholds, as it were by his own hand, heaven and earth together with all creatures, and rules in such a way that leaves and grass, rain and drought, fruitful and unfruitful years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, and everything else, come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

What advantage comes from acknowledging God's creation and providence?

We learn that we are to be patient in adversity, grateful in the midst of blessing, and to trust our faithful God and Father for the future, assured that no creature shall separate us from his love, since all creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they cannot even move.

\*Hymn #73 "The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well"

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

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory "Evening Prayer from Hansel and Gretel"

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

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

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "Will the Circle Be Unbroken"

(\*All who are able, please stand.)

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<sup>\*</sup>Assurance of Forgiveness

<sup>\*</sup>Gloria Patri

<sup>\*</sup>Sharing of the Peace

<sup>\*</sup>Time with the Younger Saints

## **SUMMER SCHEDULE:**

**Today** 10:00 a.m. Worship

**Tuesday** 6:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee

Meeting

**Wednesday** 6:00 p.m. Historical Society Picnic-Meeting

**Thursday** 3:00 p.m. Stitching Group

**Sunday** 10:00 a.m. Worship



## 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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e-mail: upchurch@r-church.com; website: www.r-church.com Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Dr. Roger D. Petersen 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; Ushers, Brent & Tammy Ritchie and Rick & Willa Shoemaker; Projector, Kayla Moran; Audio, Tyler Moran; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus. Special Music is provided by the Blairsville Brass Band. Members include: Jody Adkins, Bob Cosharek, Joe Profeta – trumpets; Tom Fitzpatrick – French horn; Brandon Luker – trombone; and Colton Finchum – bass.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Russ Harvey by Sue Harvey and family.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will discuss the upcoming Sunday School year and Christian Ed programming.

THE BLAIRSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will meet in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for a picnic followed by their monthly meeting.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers for fellowship and to work on personal projects. Anyone interested is welcome.

WE WILL HOST families in the Family Promise Program beginning Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are always needed to provide meals, fellowship, overnight stays at the church and transportation. If you are interested in taking part in this ministry, please see Gene Artman or Pastor Monroe.

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 SESSION is attempting to determine whether or not members of the congregation would like to have other ways of giving your offerings to the church. We would like to know if you would prefer being able to do direct deposit or debit withdrawals, in addition to your ability to give checks and cash. Please let us know by August 30<sup>th</sup> your if you would like these additional options. Contact the church office by email (secretary@r-church.com) or by dropping a note in the offering plate.

DATES ARE available on the Flower Chart located in the hallway outside the church office. Flower arrangements are \$20 each and checks can be made payable to: Board of Deacons.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for a volunteer who would be willing to coordinate the schedule of audio and visual techs. If you are interested, please see Elaine Jellison.

GUEST MUSICIANS are being 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. Guest Musicians Schedule:

Today	Blairsville Brass Group
	Adam Loucks
August 12	Dave Hiltabidle
•	Vicky Westley and friends
<u>e</u>	Danielle & Matthew Cyphert