

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

August 12, 2018 ~ 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

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship (*Psalms 130*)

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

**People: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!**

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

**People: My soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

**All: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.**

*Hymn # 356 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way.
You offer the joy of your Spirit, yet we waste away in sin and
grief. You offer the life of your Word, yet we turn away in doubt
and despair. Forgive us, God of grace. By the power of your
Spirit make us more tender and kind, living as your beloved
children; 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

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (pg. 194 of NT)

Special Music

Dave Hiltabidle

Gospel Lesson

John 6:35, 41-51 (pg. 98 of NT)

Sermon

Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith (*Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 75*)

How are you reminded and assured in the Holy Supper that you participate in the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross and in all his benefits?

In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat of this broken bread, and to drink of this cup in remembrance of him. He has thereby promised that his body was offered and broken on the cross for me, and his blood was shed for me, as surely as I see with my eyes that the bread of the Lord is broken for me, and that the cup is shared with me. Also, he has promised that he himself as certainly feeds and nourishes my soul to everlasting life with his crucified body and shed blood as I receive from the hand of the minister and actually taste the bread and the cup of the Lord which are given to me as sure signs of the body and blood of Christ.

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 699 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

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 # 501 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

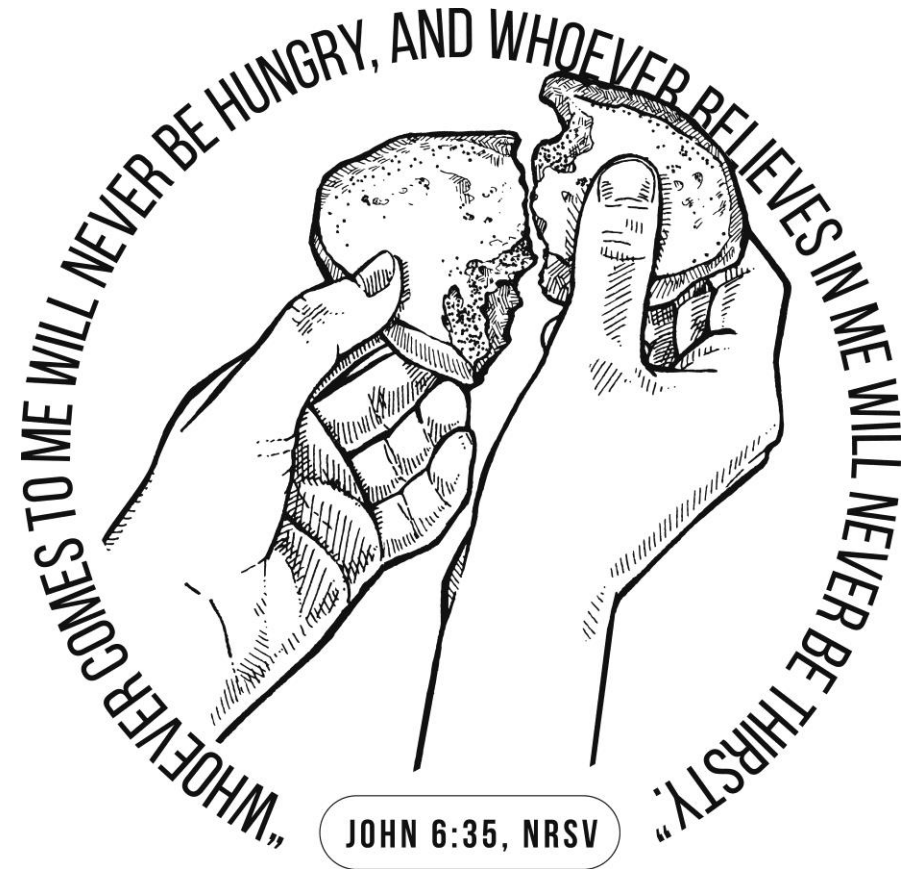
*Benediction

*Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

SUMMER SCHEDULE:

Today	10:00 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	12:00-4:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
	1:00 p.m.	Choir Picnic at the Borbonus Farm Family Promise begins
Monday	9:00-12:00 p.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall Family Promise
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries Family Promise
Wednesday		Family Promise
Thursday	9:00-3:00 p.m.	WIC meets in Fellowship Hall
	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group Family Promise
Friday		Family Promise
Saturday		Family Promise
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
		Family Promise concludes



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*"a community of believers, called by God, led by the Holy Spirit
to know Christ and to make Christ known"*

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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, Bobbi Monroe; Ushers, Mary Anzelone, Bonni Dunlap, Joan Moran and Judy Trimble; Projector, Shakira McKinney; Audio, Jaison McKinney; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus. Special Music is provided by Dave Hiltabidle.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our dear friends, Naomi Sigafos and Twila Wright by the Stitching Group.

GRANNIES will meet Monday, August 13th in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday, August 14th between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. The Food Bank is sponsored by ICCAP. Those signing up for the first time should provide proof of residence in the Blairsville borough.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, August 16th 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 today through Sunday, August 19th. 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 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 CHOIR PICNIC is scheduled for this afternoon at 1:00 p.m. at the Borbonus Farm. All choir members, their families and anyone interested in joining the choir is invited to attend. Please bring a dish to share. The pool is open so if you would like, come prepared to take a dip! For questions or more information, please contact Cindy Borbonus.

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 30th 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.

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 Dave Hiltabidle
August 19 Laurel Harmony Chorus
August 26 Danielle & Matthew Cyphert

THE WORK of the Nominating Committee is some of the most important in the life of the church. Those serving have the responsibility to bring before the congregation the names of those who will potentially serve as elders and deacons. Our Nominating Committee will begin this important task in the coming week. Please be in prayer for them as they discern God's will for our church's leadership.