

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

September 2, 2018 ~ 10:00 AM

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

Words of Greeting Mary Anzelone, 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 "O for a Thousand Tongues"

Organ & Piano Duet

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship

Leader: Let those who know Your name put their trust in You,  
O Lord, for You do not forsake those who seek You.

**People: We put our trust in You, O Lord,  
for you have made yourself known to us.**

Leader: Let those who know Your name recount all Your praises.  
O Lord, let us rejoice in Your deliverance.

**People: We praise You, O Lord.  
You are the one for whom even the wind and sea obey.**

\*Hymn # 72 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

\*Prayer of Confession

**O Lord, our God, the author and giver of all good things, we thank you for all your mercies, and for Your loving care over all Your creatures. We bless You for the gift of life, for Your protection round about us, for Your guiding hand upon us and for the tokens of Your love within us. Most of all we thank You for the saving knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, for the living presence of Your Spirit, the Comforter, and for Your Church, the Body of Christ. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

\*Time with the Younger Saints

**DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 121:1-3, 7-8 (pg. 571 of OT)

Special Music "Bound for the Promised Land"

New Testament Lesson Mark 4:35-47 (pg. 39 of NT)

Sermon "Jesus Is In the Boat"

Rev. Ron Libengood

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD**

\*Affirmation of Faith (Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1)

What is your only comfort, in life and death?

**That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready, from now on, to live for Him.**

\*Hymn # 80 "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

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

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory "Blessed Assurance"

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn # 495 "Stand By Me"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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

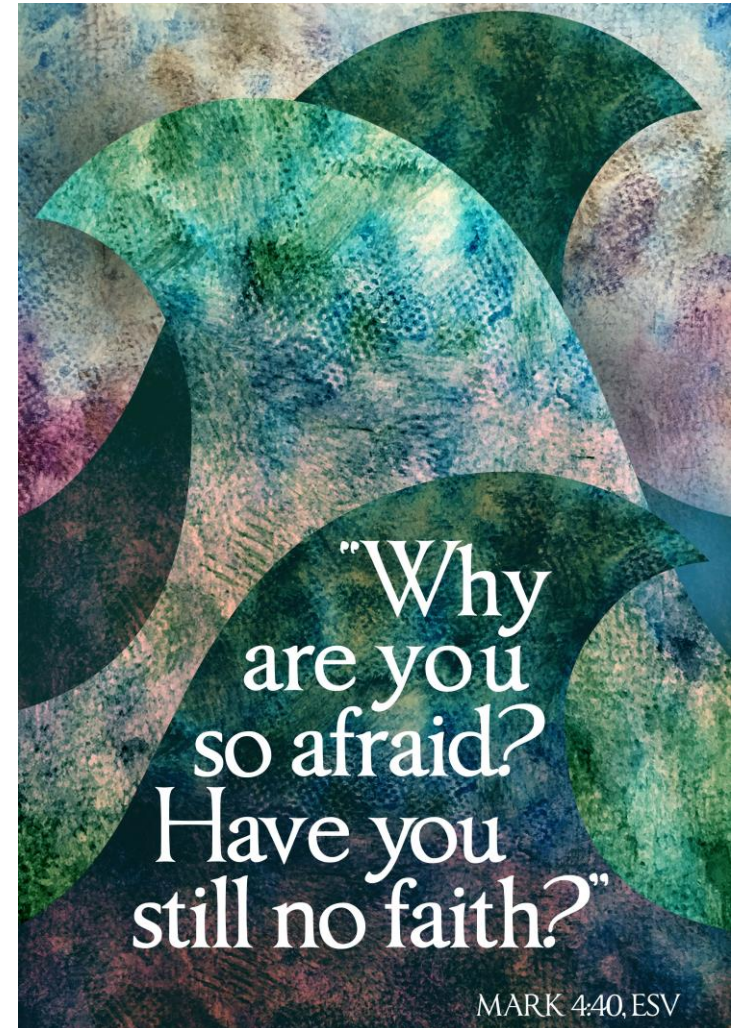
PLEASE JOIN us in the ritual of friendship by signing the attendance pads that are at one end of each of the pews. If you are here for the first time, we would appreciate it if you would give us your local telephone number. Please help yourself to a church brochure, a *Welcome Packet* or a copy of our newsletter, *Uplift*. These are available at the back of the church. We thank you for joining your voice to ours in sacred worship.

**SUMMER SCHEDULE ENDS:**

**Today** 10:00 a.m. Worship with Rev. Ron Libengood  
**Monday** Labor Day – Office Closed  
**Tuesday** 6:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting  
**Wednesday** 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsals begin  
7:00 p.m. Historical Society Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsals begin  
**Thursday** 3:00 p.m. Stitching Group

**REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS**

**Sunday** 9:45 a.m. “Radical Welcome Breakfast” in  
Fellowship Hall  
11:00 a.m. Worship & Communion



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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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THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Mary Anzelone; Ushers, Elaine Jellison, Bill & Deb Lint and Judy Trimble; Projector, Blake Tonkin; Audio, Elizabeth Bruner; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus. We thank Ron Libengood for leading us in worship today. Ron is a retired Methodist minister and a member of our congregation. Please be sure to greet him and his wife, Joy this morning.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Nancy Campbell.

THE OFFICE will be closed Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> in recognition of the Labor Day holiday.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This will be our first meeting after the summer break.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will begin Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room. If you are interested in more information about this choir, please see Vicky Westley.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS will begin Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in singing in the choir, please see Cindy Borbonus.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will meet in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers for fellowship and to work on personal projects. Anyone interested is welcome.

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.

**OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE will begin next Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.** Our worship service will return to 11:00 a.m. and we will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. A "Radical Welcome Breakfast" will kick-off our Sunday School year at 9:45 a.m. We hope you will join us.

WE WILL CELEBRATE the sacrament of Holy Communion next Sunday during worship. Please take time this week to prepare to receive and share the sacrament.

A "RADICAL WELCOME BREAKFAST aka The Cool Breakfast" will be held in Fellowship Hall Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m. to kick-off our Sunday School year. If you've never been to Sunday School but you would like to try it, or you look forward to classes every year, you are invited! We have something different planned for this breakfast. Plan to come and see what Sunday School is all about. Breakfast is compliments of the Christian Ed Committee.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for a volunteer who would be willing to coordinate the schedule of audio and visual techs. We're also looking for someone interested in operating the sound system once a month during worship. If you are interested in either position, please see Elaine Jellison or call the church office.

THE 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WALK FOR A WONDERFUL LIFE will be held Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Mack Park Fairgrounds Track. Registration opens at 1:00 p.m. and the walk begins at 2:00 p.m. Registration is a voluntary donation.