

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

September 9, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Barb Brown, 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 # 423 *“Surely It Is God Who Saves Me”*

Surely it is God who saves me; I shall trust and have no fear.

For the Lord defends and shields me and his saving help is near,

So rejoice as you draw water from salvation’s living spring;

In the day of your deliv’rance thank the Lord, his mercies sing.

Call to Worship (*Psalms 125*)

Leader: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

**People: As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the Lord surrounds his people,
from this time on and for evermore.**

Leader: Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts.

**People: But those who turn aside to their own cooked ways
the Lord will lead away with evildoers.
Peace be upon Israel!**

*Hymn # 435 *“Like a River Glorious”*

*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we
forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our
offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in
you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.
Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 (pg. 604 of OT)

Anthem *“Communion Hymn”*

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

New Testament Lesson James 2:1-17 (pg. 229 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 # 695 *“As We Gather at Your Table”*

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 # 603 *“In Christ There Is No East or West”*

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	A “Radical Welcome Breakfast” to kick-off our Sunday School year
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boys Scout Meeting
Tuesday	12:00-1:00 p.m.	Food Bank distributes groceries
	7:00 p.m.	Presbytery Meeting at Gilgal Church
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	5:30 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	3:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Unit Meeting
Friday	11:00 a.m.	Ministerium Meeting
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School classes begin
	10:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m.	Worship



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Psalm 125:1, ESV

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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.

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Barb Brown; Ushers, Becky Bence, Andrea Clayton, Rick & Willa Shoemaker; 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 Tom and Janet Smith.

GRANNIES will meet in Fellowship Hall Monday, September 10th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall between 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Those signing up for the first time should bring proof of residence.

A PRESBYTERY MEETING will be held Tuesday, September 11th at the Gilgal Church. Dennis Gould will be our commissioner and attend with Rev. Monroe.

A WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING will be held Wednesday, September 12th at 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, September 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room. If you are interested in more information about the bell choir, please see Vicky Westley.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in singing in the chancel choir, please see Cindy Borbonus.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, September 13th 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.

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 or call the church office.

CARE & SHARE DAY will be held Saturday, September 29th. This year is the 31st annual food drive. The church will be open from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for you to drop off your donations.

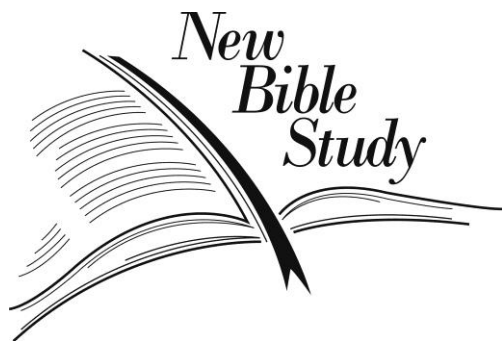
YOU ARE INVITED Saturday, September 29th to the Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. for a light dinner followed by the showing of the Sight & Sound Production of "Sampson." This will be a fun evening spending time together as a church family! Everyone is welcome. Dinner and a movie is provided in cooperation by the Congregational Fellowship and Christian Ed Committees.

THE CHEVY CHASE COMMUNITY CENTER hosts a Soup Kitchen in Blairsville from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the 2nd Baptist Church, 241 E. Campbell Street. The dates are listed: September 11 & 18, October 9 & 23, November 20, and December 18. Volunteers are always needed to help support the program. If you would like to help, please contact the center Monday, Tuesday or Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

AN USHER SIGN-UP SHEET is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to participate in worship as an usher/greeter, please sign-up. There are still dates available. Our deacons thank you.

CHURCH PARKING is available in front of the building on Walnut Street, in the ally along the side of the building and in the parking lot across the street. Those able to walk are asked to please park across the street in the lot so those with difficulty walking can park closer to the building. Please refrain from parking in the Episcopal Church spaces.

THE BLAIRSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will sponsor a “Twisted Bazaar” Saturday, September 29th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Community Center. The bazaar will include: a basket raffle, flea market, silent auction and food. There is no admission charge. Everyone is invited.



Interested in a Bible Study?

We are investigating:

- a day of the week
- convenient time
- mornings or afternoons
- how many are interested

This study will be open to both men and women. Pastor Monroe will be teaching along with some others. If you are interested, please fill out the attached form with your preferences and place it in the offering plate or call the church office.

I'm interested in a daytime Bible Study

Name(s) _____

Day of the week _____

Convenient time _____