

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

November 18, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Janet Smith, 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 Organ & Piano Duet

Lighting of the Candles

Introit #136 *“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Call to Worship (*Psalm 95:1-7*)

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Leader: For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.

**People: In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land,  
which his hands have formed.**

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

\*Hymn # 726 *“We Praise You, O God”*

\*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will.  
We have not lived with gratitude for the generous gift of your  
grace. We have not shared with others as you have poured  
yourself out for us. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to return  
to you, giving thanks and praise for all you have done; 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

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 107:1-22 (pg. 559 of OT)

Anthem *“Give Thanks to God”*

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson Luke 17:11-19 (pg. 80 of NT)

Thanksgiving – Through the Memories and Eyes of....

Gene Artman and Dennis Gould

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith (*Heidelberg Catechism Q. 86*)

Since we are redeemed from our sin and its wretched consequences  
by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why must we  
do good works?

**Because just as Christ has redeemed us with his blood he also  
renews us through his Holy Spirit according to his own image,  
so that with our whole life we may show ourselves grateful to  
God for his goodness and that he may be glorified through us;  
and further, so that we ourselves may be assured of our faith by  
its fruits and by our reverent behavior may win our neighbors  
to Christ.**

\*Hymn # 723 *“For the Fruit of All Creation”*

Remembering Members and Friends

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

Choral Amen

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn # 22 *“Let All Things Now Living”*

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response

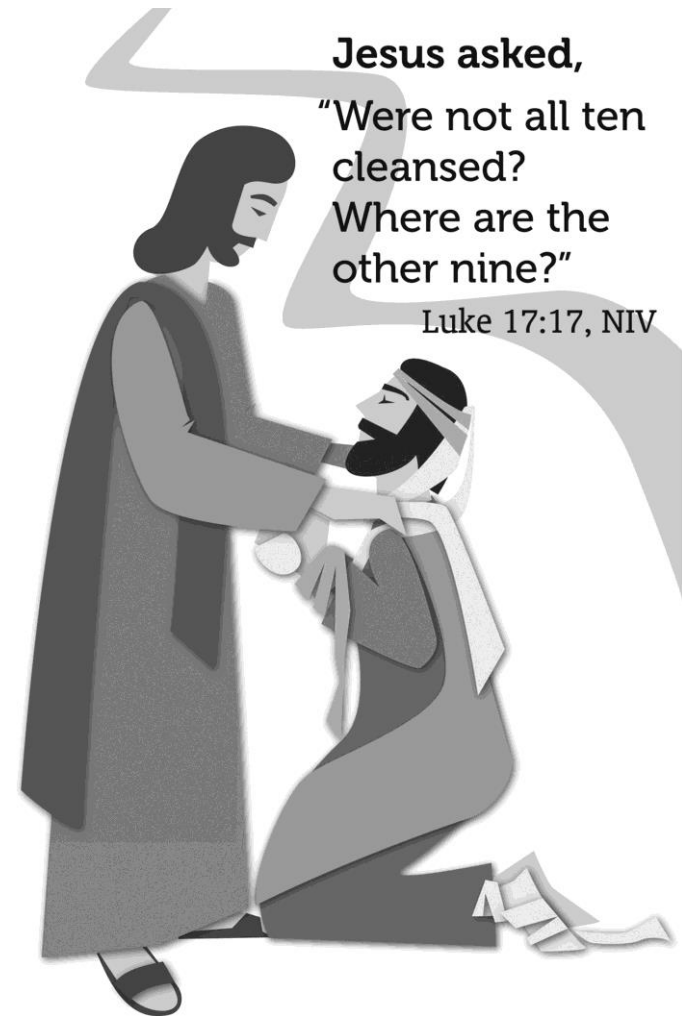
\*Postlude

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

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**REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS:**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:45 a.m. Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m. Worship
	12:00 p.m. Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner
	7:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Worship
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 p.m. Boys Scout Meeting
	7:00 p.m. Monday Music Club Rehearsal
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 p.m. Session Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed
<b>Friday</b>	Office Closed
<b>Sunday</b>	9:45 a.m. Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
	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, Janet Smith; Ushers, Jeff & Rose Lewis and Matt & Jen Borbonus; Projector, Kayla Moran; Audio, Olivia Eckenroad; 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 Terry and Barb Brown.

TODAY, we will gather around tables in Fellowship Hall following worship for our annual Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner. We hope you will join us.

A COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE will be held this evening at 7:00 p.m. Crossroads Community Church (formerly the Free Methodist Church) in Blairsville will be our host. Rev. Jim Kendall will share the message. This service of Thanksgiving is sponsored by the Blairsville Area Ministerium.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Packets for the meeting can be picked up in the parlor.

BIBLE STUDY will not be held this week. We will take a break for the Thanksgiving holiday and resume next Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please have any announcements for next Sunday's bulletin to the office by Monday. Thank you.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will not be held Wednesday. Rehearsals will resume Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room.

CHANCEL CHOIR & CANTATA rehearsal will not be held Wednesday. They will resume Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

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.

THE 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS DRIVE is now underway. Again this year we are receiving monetary donations for the purchase of specific size coats. Please mark your donation clearly for "Coats" and place it in the offering plate. If you know of a family with children who may need a winter coat, please contact Janet Smith.

CALLING ALL BAKERS! Anyone who enjoys baking cookies is invited to grab your apron and gather in the church kitchen Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m. We will be baking cookies and filling care packages for our college students. All the ingredients will be provided. We look forward to seeing you in the kitchen.

DURING the month of November the Deacons are collecting the following items for Pathway Shelter: pillows, washcloths, towels, and all types of cleaning supplies. You may leave the items in the box in the back of the sanctuary marked for Pathway.

CALLING ALL SINGERS! The Blairsville Monday Music Club is sponsoring its annual Community Christmas Program, Monday, December 10, 2018 at SS Simon and Jude Church in Blairsville at 7:00 p.m. We are welcoming anyone that enjoys singing to participate in the Community Choir. We have two Christmas selections to perform and the practices will be as follows:

Monday, November 19 7:00-8:30pm . Blairsville Presbyterian Church  
Monday, December 3.. 7:00-8:30pm ..... SS Simon & Jude Church

WE WILL be filling 25 Christmas stockings for male patients at Torrance State Hospital this holiday season. Our deacons are asking for your participation in providing donations of the following items:

- Greeting Cards (birthday, get well, thinking of you, or blank)
- Stationary, Word puzzles, Playing cards, Paperback books
- Card games (Uno, Skip-bo, and Phase 10 or children card games)
- Socks – white crew, Underwear (larger sizes – briefs)
- Soap-body wash, Shampoo
- Hair products for African Americans
- Deodorant (no spray cans), Lotion

There is a box at the back of the sanctuary to collect donations. Thank you for your generosity. If you have any questions, please see Susie Cotti.