

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

April 21, 2019 ~ 8:30 AM

Easter Day

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Sharing of Opportunities, Joys and Concerns

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Marilyn Neal, Organist

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship (*Psalms 118*)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

**People: The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.**

Leader: I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

**People: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**People: Christ the Lord is risen today.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*Hymn # 288 *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"*

*Prayer of Confession

**God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways
of death. You have announced your new creation, but we put our
hope in former things. You have opened the door of the tomb,
but we close our hearts to our neighbors. Forgive us, God of
grace. Make us people of the resurrection, proclaiming the
destruction of death and the gift of glorious new life in you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 65:17-25 (pg. 696 of OT)

Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:1-12 (pg. 90 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)

*Hymn # 294

"Christ Arose!"

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

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 298

"The Day of Resurrection"

*Benediction

*Postlude

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

The Easter Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory and honor of loved ones by many in the congregation. A dedication list is included in your bulletin. We thank the Board of Deacons for providing the opportunity to have the beauty of the flowers in worship. A special thank you goes to Jen Borbonus and John & Mary Hileman for their extra efforts.

The worship assistants for this morning's service are Ushers, Judy Trimble and Ken Doak; Organist, Marilyn Neal; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

Vacation Bible School plans have started and the Christian Ed Committee is looking for workers in all areas. The program is scheduled for the week of June 17-21. If you are interested in volunteering to help, please call the church office.

All are invited to gather in Fellowship Hall and share breakfast together as we continue our fellowship this Resurrection Day!



Alleluia!

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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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