THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE May 19, 2019 ~ 11:00 AM THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Leader: The Lord be with you. Jean Heberling, Liturgist

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

Introit # 17 vs. 2 "Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"

Praise the Lord, for he is gracious; never shall his promise fail; God has made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail. Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, his power proclaim; Heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his name.

Call to Worship (Psalm 148)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

People: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

People: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

People: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

- Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.
- People: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. **Praise the Lord!**

*Hymn # 23 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

*Prayer of Confession

God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways of death. You show your love for us in Jesus, but we fail to love one another. You give us freedom in the Spirit, but we deny the freedom of others. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to learn and keep your new commandment of love so that all will know we are yours; 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

Gospel Lesson John 13:31-35 (pg. 108 of NT) Anthem "The Upper Room" Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director New Testament Lesson Acts 11:1-18 (pg. 130 of NT) Sermon Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith What do you believe concerning "the Holy Catholic Church"?

(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 54-55)

I believe that, from the beginning to the end of the world, and from among the whole human race, the Son of God, by his Spirit and his Word, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself, in the unity of the true faith, a congregation chosen for eternal life. Moreover, I believe that I am and forever will remain a living member of it.

What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

First, that believers one and all, as partakers of the Lord Christ, and all his treasures and gifts, shall share in one fellowship. Second, that each one ought to know that he is obliged to use his gifts freely and with joy for the benefit and welfare of other members.

"In Christ There Is No East or West" *Hymn # 603

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 # 358 *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"* *Benediction *Choral Response *Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS:

Today	9:45 a.m.	Last day of Sunday School Classes
1	0:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
1	1:00 a.m.	Worship – Teacher Recognition
12:00-2:00 p.m.		Confirmation Class
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday		Primary Election-voting in Fellowship
		Hall
Wednesday 1	0:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Blairsville High School Baccalaureate
		Service in the Sanctuary
		Reception following in Fellowship Hall
Thursday 9:00-3:00 p.m.		WIC meets in Fellowship Hall
	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Sunday 1	1:00 a.m.	Worship
		Last day of our Regular Worship
		Schedule
Monday		Memorial Day – Office Closed



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"a community of believers, called by God, led by the Holy Spirit to know Christ and to make Christ known" Rev. Timothy R. Monroe 137 N. Walnut Street - Blairsville, PA 15717-1349 Church office 724-459-7991 e-mail: upchurch@r-church.com; website: www.r-church.com Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Dr. Roger D. Petersen 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, Jean Heberling; Ushers, Susie Cotti, Emily Harkleroad, Linda George and Elaine Jellison; 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 Barb Kocsis.

CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet today following worship from 12:00 until about 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served.

BIBLE STUDY will be held Wednesday, May 22nd at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Monroe is leading our study of Ephesians.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room. We are looking for two ringers. No experience is necessary just a willingness to learn. If you are interested in more information about the bell choir, please see Vicky Westley.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will be in worship through the end of May and then will be on recess until fall. During the summer months, special music is scheduled for worship. If you or someone you know would like to share music talent during worship, please see Cindy.

THE BLAIRSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL Baccalaureate Service will be held Wednesday, May 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. Family and friends are invited to attend this cap and gown event led by the Class of 2019. The Deacons and Congregational Fellowship Committee would like your help in providing cookies for a reception following the service. Please see Erica Ash, Joan Moran or Elaine Jellison if you are willing to provide cookies. 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.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION will be Sunday, June 2nd during the morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. Parents, if your graduate would like to share a talent during the recognition service, please contact the church office. We care about our graduates and would like to present them with a gift to encourage them on their journey. Please contact Joan Moran or the church office with information on your upcoming graduation.

OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE will begin **Sunday**, **June** 2nd. Our **worship hour will begin at 10:00 a.m.** throughout the summer months. Our choirs and Sunday School will be in recess. Following Labor Day, our Regular Schedule will resume with the worship hour, Sunday School classes will start and our choirs will begin rehearsals.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will hold a Meatloaf Dinner fundraiser Wednesday, June 26th in Fellowship Hall. The first seating will be from 4:00-5:30 p.m. and the second seating will be from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$10 each and children under 10 years are \$7.50 each. The dinner is for ticket holders only, no walk-ins please. Tickets for takeout will be served between 4:00-6:00 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be here soon. There are a few items we are looking for to help make the week a success. Some of the items will be returned and others will not. Please take note.

- 6 cinder blocks will be returned
- Mexican print blankets will be returned
- Column pedestals will be returned
- Old sheets (white/beige/taupe/brown) size Q or K not returned
- Small jars with lids (pickle, olive, garlic) not returned
- Small peanut butter jars with lids not returned
- Shoe boxes not returned

Donations can be placed at the back of the sanctuary or dropped off at the church office during office hours. Thank you.



In just a few weeks, we're taking a journey back to ancient Athens, where the Apostle Paul stayed! You'll get to talk to Paul to find out what happened on his dangerous journey to share the truth about God.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019

June 17 – 21, 2019 5:30 pm – Light Dinner...6:00 pm - Program 8:15 pm – Closing Students 3 years (potty trained) through 5th grade (just finished)

Use the bulletin insert to register for the fun! For more information, see Cindy Borbonus or call the office.