THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE May 5, 2019 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Dennis Gould, 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 Marilyn Neal, Organist

Lighting of the Candles

Introit # 56 vs. 4 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God the praise and glory.

Let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story.

Cast every idol from its throne; the Lord is God, and he alone:

to God all praise and glory!

Call to Worship (*Psalm 30*)

Leader: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,

and you have healed me.

People: O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,

restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,

and give thanks to his holy name.

People: For his anger is but for a moment;

his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Leader: You have turned my mourning into dancing;

you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

People: So that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

*Hymn # 293 "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

*Prayer of Confession

God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways of death. We fail to love and feed the sheep that you have given us to tend. We stand by while some are threatened and even participate in persecution. Forgive us, God of grace. Change the path we are on, show us the light of your way, and send us forth to serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

Sacrament of Baptism

*Sharing of the Peace

*Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson Revelation 5:11-14 (pg. 248 of NT)

Anthem "They're Our Little Ones"

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

New Testament Lesson Acts 9:1-20 (pg. 127 of NT)
Sermon Rev. Timothy R. Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith (Heidelberg Catechism, Q.88-91)
How many parts are there to the true repentance or conversion of man?

Two: the dying of the old self and the birth of the new.

What is the dying of the old self?

Sincere sorrow over our sins and more and more to hate them and to flee from them.

What is the birth of the new self?

Complete joy in God through Christ and a strong desire to live

according to the will of God in all good works.

But what are good works?

Only those which are done out of true faith, in accordance with

the Law of God, and for his glory, and not those based on our own opinion or on the traditions of men.

*Hymn # 422 "Amazing Grace!"

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 # 428

"When Peace Like a River"

- *Benediction
- *Choral Response
- *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.

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Dennis Gould; Ushers, Kristi & Hannah Eckenroad; 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 Bill and Deb Lint.

THE DEACONS will check blood pressures following worship today. Please see Susie Cotti to have your numbers checked.

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

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, May 7^{th} at 6:00 p.m. A picnic will be shared with the elders followed by the meeting.

BIBLE STUDY will be held Wednesday, May 8th at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Monroe is leading our study of Ephesians.

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.



"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and... honor and glory and praise!"

Revelation 5:12, NIV

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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

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BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, May 8th 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.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be held Wednesday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in singing in the chancel choir, please see Cindy Borbonus.

PARENTS OF GRADUATES, please notify the office or see Joan Moran about your student's pending graduation from high school or college so that we may show your son or daughter how much we care. Graduate recognition will be Sunday, June 2nd during the morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. If your graduate would like to share a talent during the recognition service, please let Joan know or contact the church office.

THE BLANKET OFFERING will be received next Sunday, May 12th during worship. All gifts are sent to Church World Service to supply blankets to those in need. Last year thousands of CWS blankets were distributed throughout the U.S. to families in need. Please see the bulletin insert for more information.

REGULAR SCHEDULE BEGINS:

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
·	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Baptism
	12:00 p.m.	Blood Pressure Checks
	12:00-2:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	2:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Monday		Fellowship Hall reserved
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting/Picnic with the Elders
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Friday	11:00 a.m.	Ministerium Meeting
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship with Clark Bruner
		Blanket Offering - Mother's Day