

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE
August 25, 2019 ~ 10:00 AM
THE ORDER OF SERVICE

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
The Blairsville Brass Ensemble

Words of Greeting Bobbi Monroe, 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 *“I Have Decided”*
Lighting of the Candles
Call to Worship (*Psalms 71*)
Leader: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.
**People: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress,
to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.**
Leader: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.
**People: For you, O Lord, are my hope,
my trust, O Lord, from my youth.**
Leader: Upon you I have leaned from my birth;
**People: It was you who took me from my mother’s womb.
My praise is continually of you.**

*Hymn # 507 *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

*Prayer of Confession

**Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away
from sin. We dismiss the prophets you send and ignore your
call to service. We waste your gift of Sabbath and reject your
offer of healing. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us approach
you again with reverence and with awe, giving thanks for
your saving love; 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 Jeremiah 1:4-10 (pg. 698 of OT)
Special Music *“To God Be the Glory”*
Gospel Lesson Luke 13:10-17 (pg. 76 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 Insert *“He Touched Me”*
Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer (*debt...and debtors...*)
Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word
Offertory *“I Am a Poor Wayfaring Stranger”*
*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 496 *“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”*

*Benediction

*Postlude *“Rondeau”*

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

SUMMER WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Session meets in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Children and Youth Sunday School Teachers Curriculum Review
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	WIC meets in Fellowship Hall
	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group meets in the parlor
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Rev. Ron Libengood
Monday		Labor Day Holiday – Office Closed

OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE COMES TO AN END
Sunday, September 1st
Worship at 10:00 a.m.

BEGINNING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH
Sunday School Activities will be held at 9:45 a.m.
followed by
Worship & Communion at 11:00 a.m.



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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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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, Bobbi Monroe; Ushers, Terry & Barb Brown and Jaison & Jamie McKinney; Projector, Kayla Moran; Audio, Olivia Eckenroad; Special Music, The Blairsville Brass Ensemble; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.

TODAY we welcome the Blairsville Brass Ensemble to share their musical talents with us. The group includes Jody Adkins, Bob Cosharek and Joe Profeta on trumpet; Tom Fitzpatrick on French horn; Karen Kerin on trombone; and Isaac Kott on bass.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Rick and Willa Shoemaker.

GRANNIES will meet Monday, August 26th from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to join us. There are tasks for all skill levels.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, August 27th in Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. Packets for the meeting are available to pick up in the parlor.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CURRICULUM used by our young people this Fall will follow the lectionary. All students will be studying the same texts. While the lessons will be appropriate for the different age groups, there are common themes for teachers to consider. We are asking teachers to attend a general review of those themes on Wednesday, August 28th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Monroe will offer a general overview, highlighting more important points of the lesson.

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.

ON WEDNESDAY, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. we will begin our Fall Bible Study. We will turn to the Old Testament book of Daniel. We hope you will attend—Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, August 29th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers to work on personal projects and to fellowship. All are welcome.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will resume meeting monthly beginning in September. A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS will begin Wednesday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m. We are still in need of two ringers. If you are interested, please see Vicky Westley.

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS will begin Wednesday, September 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. New and familiar voices are always welcomed! Please see Cindy Borbonus for more information.

THE 5th 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.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for youth or adults interested in operating the sound or projector during worship. The equipment is located in the balcony. Audio and projection techs are scheduled on a rotating basis. Those interested would be scheduled approximately once a month. If you would like more information, please see Elaine Jellison or contact the church office.

OUR POLICY for those working with children requires that copies of the Child Abuse History Clearance and the PA State Police Criminal Record Check for Volunteers be on file in the church office. These documents are kept in a secure area. Clearances are free for volunteers every 5 years. For more information on clearances or to obtain your clearances, please visit keepkidssafe.pa.gov. If you have any questions, please see Joan Moran or contact the church office.

SAVE THE DATE, Sunday, September 8th at 9:45 a.m. A kick off for our Sunday School year is in the planning stages. If you've never been to Sunday School class or it's been a while since you attended, plan now to give it a try. There is no prerequisite class needed. We welcome all those who join us. Classes are available for all ages.

MISSION MOMENT - *Young Adult Volunteer Commissioning Sunday*

Today, several congregations close to Stony Point Center, many from the Hudson River Presbytery, will host the 2019–20 YAV class for Commissioning Sunday. This day acts as a reminder to both the Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) and our Church that we do not go alone in God's mission. YAVs, ranging in age from 19–30, have gathered these past few days for a week of orientation before embarking on their year of service. Representatives from local congregations commit to transporting a group of YAVs to and from Stony Point, hosting the group for worship, commissioning the volunteers during the service and providing a meal for good community and conversation. This acts as a nice retreat for the YAVs following an intense week of training. It also is a beautiful example of hospitality — something YAVs will continue to experience throughout their year at over 15 different sites in the United States and around the world. Each congregation gains unique insight into a young adult's call to service and the amazing opportunities available during a YAV year. This past Thursday, a representative from each church was also invited to attend worship with the entire YAV class during their nightly vespers. The Young Adult Volunteer program is encouraged by each faith community's willingness to honor our Church's commitment to baptism by walking alongside these young adults through their entire faith journey.

Blake A. Collins, Former Associate for Recruitment & Relationships, Young Adult Volunteers, Presbyterian Mission Agency