JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME YESTERDAY AND TODAY AND FOREVER. HEBREWS 13:8

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

"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 UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE September 1, 2019 ~ 10:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Mary Anzelone, 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

Call to Worship

Leader: Let those who know Your name put their trust in You,

O Lord, for You do not forsake those who seek You.

People: We put our trust in You, O Lord,

for you have made Yourself known to us.

Leader: Let those who know Your name recount all Your praises.

O Lord, let us rejoice in Your deliverance.

All: We praise You, O Lord!

*Hymn # 443

"Trust and Obey"

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our God, the author and giver of all good things, we thank You for all Your mercies, and for Your loving care over all Your creatures. We bless You for the gift of life, for Your protection round about us, for Your guiding hand upon us and for the tokens of Your love within us. Most of all we thank You for the saving knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, for the living presence of Your Spirit, the Comforter, and for Your Church, the Body of Christ. Amen.

^{*}Assurance of Pardon

^{*}Gloria Patri

^{*}Sharing of the Peace

^{*}Time with the Younger Saints

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (pg. 227 of NT)

Special Music

Gospel Lesson Luke 12:49-50 (pg. 75 of NT)

Sermon "Are You Fired Up for Jesus?"

Rev. Ron Libengood

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith (Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1)

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

*Hymn # 466 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

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 # 486 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord!"

*Benediction

*Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

SUMMER WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Rev. Ron Libengood
Monday		Labor Day – Office Closed
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons meet in Fellowship
		Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Historical Society Meeting
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group meets in the parlor
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Mandated Reporter Training at the
		Homer City Church

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Kick-Off Activities

11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion

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.

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Mary Anzelone; Ushers, Elaine Jellison, Judy Trimble, Pat & Janeen Swope; Projector, Blake Tonkin; Audio, Elizabeth Bruner; 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 Olaf Marx by Mary Anzelone.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in 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 STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, September 5th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group gathers to work on personal projects and to fellowship. All are welcome.

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 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.



Kick up your heels and get ready... for fall learning!

Join us for a scrumptious light breakfast and an enjoyable morning getting to know your church family and finding out about...

- -The Present Word
- -Homebuilders
- -Feasting on the Word
- -Wednesday Bible Study

Special rewards for those who get a "kick" out of learning about God!

Join us for the 2019 "Kick-Off" Sunday School Breakfast @ 9:45 AM September 8 in Fellowship Hall



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 OFFICE will be closed Monday, September 2nd for the Labor Day holiday.

NEW ACOLYTE TRAINING will be held in September when Sunday School classes resume.

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.

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th, we will celebrate with Rev. Dr. Roger Petersen the 60th anniversary of his ordination. You will have opportunity to share written thoughts, memories and/or best wishes to be included in a Memory Book. Please look for the Memory Book at the back of the sanctuary or send your written thoughts to the church office. Following worship on September 29th, we will celebrate with a light reception in Fellowship Hall. The Memory Book will be presented to Dr. Petersen as a gift from his friends at the Blairsville Church. We hope you will plan to share this special day with us and our Pastor Emeritus, the Rev. Dr. Roger Petersen!

THE LADIES AUXILIARY of the Blairsville Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a Multiphasic Blood Testing on September 7, 2019 at the Blairsville Medical Park (Excela Health) from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. A variety of tests are available for a low cost of \$55 and results are sent to you and your doctor. Walk-ins are welcome. A 12-hour fast is required. Call 1-877-771-1234 to set up an appointment or come that morning. This is a fundraiser to provide a scholarship to a Blairsville senior student. Thank you.

TODAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY OF OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE Worship at 10:00 a.m.

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