

# THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

May 3, 2020 ~ 11:00 AM

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

### WORDS OF GREETING

### PRELUDE

Marilyn Neal, Organist

### CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 23*)

Bobbi Monroe, Liturgist

**The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.**

### HYMN # 73

*"The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well"*

The Lord my Shepherd guards me well, and all my wants are fed:  
Amid green pastures made to lie, beside still waters led.  
My careworn soul grows strong and whole when God's true path I tread.

Though I should walk in darkest ways through valleys like the grave,  
No evil shall I ever fear; your presence makes me brave.  
On my behalf your rod and staff assure me you will save.

For me a table has been spread where all my foes can see;  
You bathe my head with fragrant oil to soothe and honor me.  
My heart and cup are both filled up with joyful ecstasy.

Your steadfast love will follow me to shield me all my days  
And bring me to your holy house, redeemed from error's ways,  
My whole life long to join the song of those who sing God's praise.

"The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well" words by Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-); para. Psalm 23  
and music by James L. Bain (1840-1925); arr. Gordon Jacob (1895-1984)

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### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Living God, we confess that we look for the living among the dead. You lead us toward green pastures but we wander in dark valleys. You call us by name but we pretend not to hear. Forgive us; give us new life! Return us to your flock and fold that we may have abundant life, the life that death cannot destroy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND GLORIA PATRI

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

## DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Peter 2:19-25

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10

SERMON

Rev. Timothy Monroe

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*(The Apostles' Creed)*

**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.**

HYMN # 440

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

Savior, like a Shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;  
In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare:  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are;  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, do thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray:  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray;  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free:  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee;  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee.

Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill:  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still;  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still.

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* words by Attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779-1847);  
*Hymns for the Young*, 1836 and music by William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)  
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER *(debt...and debtors...)*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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