

GOD
also highly exalted
HIM
and gave him
THE NAME
that is above every name ...

Philippians 2:9, NRSV



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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September 27, 2020 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting

Rev. Timothy Monroe

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Sharing of Opportunities, Joys and Concerns

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

“Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen/All Day, All Night”

Spiritual Medley

Call to Worship (*Psalms 78*)

Terry Brown, Liturgist

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;

incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will utter dark sayings from of old,

Leader: Things that we have heard and known,

that our ancestors have told us.

People: We will not hide them from their children;

we will tell to the coming generation

the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,

and the wonders that he has done.

*Hymn # 82 “Praise My Soul the King of Heaven”

*Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, as the Christ, you showed us that love looks not to its own interests, but to the interests of others. We lament how little we resemble you in your humility, dedication, and love. We are driven too often by ambition and conceit. We defend our views, arguing without understanding. We speak of love, but resist the sacrifices love requires. Gracious God, you are at work in us. Fill

us and shape us with your spirit, that we may will and work for your pleasure, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 21:23-32

Special Music

“It Is Well with My Soul”

By Philip P. Bliss

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(The Confession of 1967)

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all men stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all men.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer *(debt...and debtors...)*

*Hymn # 486

“Have Thine Own Way Lord”

*Benediction

*Postlude

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

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Special Music, Dave Hiltabidle, saxophone; Liturgist, Terry Brown; Ushers, Pat and Janeen Swope; Organist, Marilyn Neal; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Equipment Techs, Jonathan & Doug Clayton and Dennis Gould.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of mother, Bea Smith by Ed and Becky Bence.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today following worship for the purpose of electing our new classes of elders and deacons and for action on the 2021 Pastoral Terms of Call. The meeting will be available online to those members watching. Questions during the meeting can be called into 724-840-9771.

GRANNIES will meet Monday, September 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to join us. There are tasks for all skill levels.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet September 30th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be physically spread out and masks will be worn. Pastor Monroe will be using the sound system so as to be heard clearly.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will gather Wednesday, September 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Safety guidelines will be followed throughout the rehearsal.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, October 1st in the parlor from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. This group gathers to work on knitting, crocheting or other needlework. Bring your personal projects and come for a time of fellowship.

VOLUNTEERS continue to be needed for training on the new worship equipment. There are projection needs, sound needs and computer needs. Please contact the church office to be a part of this new venture.

SEVERAL DATES are available on the 2020 flower chart. If you would like to order flowers for Sunday worship, please call the church office. Flowers are \$20/Sunday and checks can be made payable to the Board of Deacons.

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.

THE MINISTRY OF GIVING will take place as you enter or depart the sanctuary. Plates are located at the back of the sanctuary. We thank you for your faithful support of the church.

WE WILL CELEBRATE the sacrament of Holy Communion next Sunday, October 4th during worship. Those who wish to receive will be asked to come forward to receive the elements from gloved elders and deacons. Those who wish to remain in their pew will be served where they are. Those at home are invited to participate by having a cup of juice and a piece of bread or cracker available. Please take time this week to prepare to receive and share the sacrament.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	9:45 a.m.	Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	In-House and Online Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Meets
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	In-House and Online Worship
		Worldwide Communion