



Welcome to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord,
for He is good;
His love endures forever.

Psalm 107:1

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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November 1, 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

“Love was When”

By Don Wyrzten

Call to Worship (*Psalms 107*)

Mary Anzelone, Liturgist

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: For his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

**People: Those he redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands.**

Leader: Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;

**People: Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted
within them.**

Leader: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress;

**People: He led them by a straight way,
until they reached an inhabited town.**

*Hymn # 501 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you deliver from distress those who cry to you in their trouble. We who are in trouble raise our voices to you. Deliver us, we pray, from the burden of sin: from wanting too much to impress others and needing to prove our worth; from inner confusion that has us say one thing, but do another –

foolishly pursuing what does not lead to life. Lord, deliver and redeem us. Gather us in from our wandering and lead us by your way, until we reach the place you prepare for those who follow you.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

I Thessalonians 2:9-13

Anthem

“In the Presence of Jehovah”

By Geron Davis

Chancel Choir, Director – Cindy Borbonus

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 23:1-12

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(Westminster Confession of Faith)

Good works are only such as God hath commanded in his holy Word, and not such as, without the warrant thereof, are devised by men out of blind zeal, or upon any pretense of good intention. These good works, done in obedience to God’s commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith: and by them believers manifest their thankfulness, strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren, adorn the profession of the gospel, stop the mouths of the adversaries, and glorify God, whose workmanship they are, created in Christ Jesus thereunto, that, having their fruit unto holiness, they may have the end, eternal life.

*Hymn # 486

“Have Thine Own Way Lord”

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

*Hymn # 580

“We Are Called to Be God’s People”

*Benediction

*Postlude

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Mary Anzelone; Ushers, Pat and Janeen Swope; Organist, Marilyn Neal; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Audio/Visual Equipment Techs, Jonathan & Doug Clayton and Dennis Gould.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of Clara Savage for her 95th birthday by her family.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday, November 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the kitchen half of Fellowship Hall. Deacons are asked to follow safety guidelines as we gather. Please call the church office with any questions or concerns.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet November 4th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be looking at Acts 10:9. Those attending are to follow the governmental guidelines in place for indoor gatherings. Pastor Monroe will be using the sound system so as to be heard clearly. For those who would like to participate from home, we are set up to offer Bible Study via Zoom. If you are interested, please call the church office for more details.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will gather Wednesday, November 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Safety guidelines will be followed throughout the rehearsal.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, November 5th 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.

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.

VOTING will be held in Fellowship Hall all day Tuesday, November 3rd.

THE MINISTERIUM has again decided to compile and publish a Community Lenten Devotional in 2021. There are several scriptures to choose from each day through Lent. Those who volunteer to submit a devotion will choose a day not taken, list the scripture lesson they have chosen, a devotional message of about 400 words, and a one or two sentence prayer. You can sign your name, or remain anonymous. All submissions will be gathered by Tuesday, January 26th and will be compiled into booklet form, duplicated, then distributed to area churches for use during the Lenten Season (which begins Ash Wednesday, February 17). Our congregation has been assigned 6 days. They are listed below:

MARCH 1 - Taken

MARCH 2 - Taken

MARCH 3 - Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45; Jeremiah 30:12-22;
John 12:36-43

MARCH 4 - Psalm 19; Exodus 19:1-9a; I Peter 2:4-10

MARCH 5 - Psalm 19; Exodus 19:9b-15; Acts 7:30-40

MARCH 6 - Psalm 19; Exodus 19:16-25; Mark 9:2-8

If you feel led to share with your brothers and sisters in Blairsville, please let Pastor Monroe know of your willingness as soon as possible.

THE 6th ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS DRIVE is being held again this year. We are receiving monetary donations for the purchase of specific size coats. Please mark your donation clearly for "Coat Drive" 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.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS for families in the community will be assembled by the deacons. We ask that you consider donating food items or giving a monetary contribution. Articles of food can include: canned fruit or vegetables, boxed baked goods, pie fillings, Jello, boxes of stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, just to name a few. A container will be available at the back of the church for the collection of food donations. (Please check expiration dates on items before donating them.) If you are aware of a family who may need a Thanksgiving Basket, please contact Marilyn Neal or Pastor Monroe by Monday, November 16th. Thank you for your generous help. We look forward to sharing another happy holiday with those in our community!

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today		9:45 a.m. Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	In-House and Online Worship <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	Election Day	Voting in Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting 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

501 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

G C $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{G}{A}$ G $\frac{D}{A}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D G $\frac{C}{E}$ C Am7 $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land;
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;

G C $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{G}{A}$ G $\frac{D}{A}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D G $\frac{C}{E}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D G

I am weak, but thou art might - y—hold me with thy power - ful hand:
 let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through:
 bear me through the swell - ing cur - rent, land me safe on Ca - naan's side:

D7 $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 $\frac{D}{F\#}$ G D7 G $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D7}{A}$ G $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Em7

Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en, feed me till I want no
 Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

D $\frac{D7}{C}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D7}{A}$ G C $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

more, (want no more,) feed me till I want no more.
 shield, (strength and shield,) be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, (give to thee,) I will ev - er give to thee.

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power– all power– surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

We Are Called to Be God's People

We are called to be God's people,
Showing by our lives His grace,
One in heart and one in spirit,
Sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how He has changed us,
And remade us as His own,
Let us share our life together
As we shall around His throne.

We are called to be God's servants,
Working in His world today;
Taking His own task upon us,
All His sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then, to His summons,
Dedicate to Him our all,
That we may be faithful servants,
Quick to answer now His call.

We are called to be God's prophets,
Speaking for the truth and right,
Standing firm for godly justice,
Bringing evil things to light.
Let us seek the courage needed,
Our high calling to fulfill,
That the world may know the blessing
Of the doing of God's will.

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