

He was transfigured before them ... and his clothes became dazzling white ...

Mark 9:2-3, NRSV

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE February 14, 2021 \sim 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

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Arr. By Kochur

Call to Worship (*Psalm 50*)

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Leader: The mighty one, God the Lord,

speaks and summons the earth

from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,

God shines forth.

Leader: Our God comes and does not keep silence,

before him is a devouring fire,

and a mighty tempest all around him.

People: He calls to the heavens above and to the earth,

that he may judge his people:

Leader: "Gather to me my faithful ones,

who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

People: The heavens declare his righteousness,

for God himself is judge.

*Hymn # 136

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*Prayer of Confession

God our Creator, we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures. You shine with perfect beauty, but we turn away from your presence. You blaze with heavenly glory, but we hide our faces from your truth. Forgive us, God of grace. Shine in our hearts this day through the light of your Word so that we may glorify you forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- *Assurance of Forgiveness
- *Gloria Patri
- *Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

II Corinthians 4:3-6

Anthem

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

Arr. John Helgen

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:2-9

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 31)

Why is he called CHRIST, that is, the ANOINTED ONE?

Because he is ordained by God the Father and anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief Prophet and Teacher, fully revealing to us the secret purpose and will of God concerning our redemption; to be our only High Priest, having redeemed us by the one sacrifice of his body and ever interceding for us with the Father; and to be our eternal King, governing us by his Word and Spirit, and defending and sustaining us in the redemption he has won for us.

*Hymn # 123

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

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

- *Hymn # 106 "All Hail the Pow
- "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
- *Benediction
- *Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand)

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Jean Heberling; Organist, Marilyn Neal; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Ushers, Pat and Janeen Swope; Audio/Visual, Austin Baker and Cole Stuchal; Streaming, Chase Stuchal.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of our sister, Norma, on her birthday by Brent & Tammy and Lon & Jean.

COPIES OF THE ANNUAL REPORT are available on the back table for those who were unable to attend the Congregational Meeting in January. Please help yourself to a copy.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Meeting packets are available to pick up in the parlor.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Those attending are asked 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.

WE WILL GATHER FOR WORSHIP at 7:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. There will be the imposition of ashes for those who wish to receive them and the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. The service will be live streamed for those at home. This service of worship will be your first step into the Lenten season.

THE STITCHING GROUP will gather in the parlor Thursday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. to work on personal projects and fellowship. All are invited.

THIS YEAR'S LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET was written by folks from the community. What a wonderful way for the Christians of Blairsville to share Christ as one. Devotionals are available for you to pick up at the back of the sanctuary today.

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.

WE EXPRESS our sympathy to John Hileman and family on the recent death of his sister, Ina Mae.

IF YOU would be interested in ushering on a Sunday morning, please see Marilyn Neal or call the church office.

ZOOM CLASSES for Mandated Reporter Training offered by the presbytery are available. Please go to https://rsvp.church/r/IoD4y2ui to register. The dates and times available include Monday, Feb. 22 (evening), Thursday, Feb. 25 (afternoon), and Saturday, Feb. 27 (morning). Additional dates and times may be established based on need. Please register early so that workbooks may be mailed out prior to the class.

THE SESSION COMMITTEES FOR 2021

Each year the committees of session seek to have volunteers become active participants. Please review the committees and their responsibilities and consider serving. If you would like more information or have questions, please see Pastor Monroe or an elder. Chairs were determined at the January Session meeting.

<u>Worship</u> – Worship services, sacraments, music, funerals, weddings – Co-chairs, Doug Clayton and Gene Artman

<u>Mission</u> – Benevolences, special offerings, global & local missions and missionaries – Chair, Gene Artman

<u>Christian Education</u> – Sunday school programs, curriculum, adult education, youth work, leadership education – Chair, Mary Anzelone <u>Finance</u> – Finances, special funds, and annual budget – Chair, Rick Shoemaker

<u>Stewardship</u> – Stewardship education and programs, challenges the congregation in its faithful use of the many different resources entrusted to our care – Chair, Kim McKinney

<u>Property & Maintenance</u> – Construction, maintenance, repairs, housekeeping, safety, security, yard work, inventory – Co-chairs, Pat Swope and Bob Cosharek

<u>Congregational Fellowship</u> – Suppers, Dinner Theater, picnics, outings, trips, camping – Chair, Joan Moran

<u>Evangelism</u> – New member recruitment and assimilation, outreach, publicity – Co-chairs, Lisa Hainaut and Lon Ferguson

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today		9:45 a.m.Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	In-House and Online Worship
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship and
		Communion
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
		First Sunday of Lent

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye made blind by sin Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

John Bacchus Dykes | Reginald Heber
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"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

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"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all; Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all; We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

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