

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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April 1, 2021 - 7:00 p.m. MAUNDY THURSDAY

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

WORDS OF GREETING

Leader: The Lord be with you People: And also with you.

SHARING OF OPPORTUNITIES, JOYS AND CONCERNS

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude "Lead Me to Calvary"

Marilyn Neal, Organist - Cindy Borbonus, Pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 116) Liturgist, Bobbi Monroe Leader: I love the Lord, because he has heard

my voice and my supplications.

People: Because he inclined his ear to me,

therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord

for all his bounty to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation

and call on the name of the Lord.

Leader: O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant,

the child of your serving-maid. You have loosed my bonds.

People: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice

and call on the name of the Lord.

*HYMN # 284 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. Jesus taught us how to serve, but we fail to follow his example. Jesus showed us how to love, but we fail to keep his commandment. Forgive us, God of grace. Wash us clean in your mercy, so that we will be faithful disciples and share in the life you offer; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- *Assurance of Forgiveness
- *GLORIA PATRI
- *SHARING OF THE PEACE

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Corinthians 11:23-26

ANTHEM

"Love One Another"

By Fox

Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

GOSPEL LESSON

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

SERMON

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

(Apostles' Creed)

*HYMN # 255

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER ("...debts...and debtors...")

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(Please come forward to receive the sacrament)

(Those who remain at their seat, will be served)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN # 261 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

- *BENEDICTION
- *Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand)

- This evening we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Anyone who professes faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is invited to receive and share the sacrament.
- The worship assistants for this evening's service are Liturgist, Bobbi Monroe; Ushers, Pat & Janeen Swope; Organist, Marilyn Neal; and Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus.
- Sunday, we will celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Early Worship will be held at 8:30 a.m. including special music from our Bell Choir and a piano and organ duet. A traditional Easter Worship service will be at 11:00 a.m. including special music by the Blairsville Brass and our Chancel Choir. Both services will be live streamed for those at home. All are welcome to celebrate with us!

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

O sacred Head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown:
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss till now was Thine;
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered Was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor,
And grant to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee, dearest friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever;
And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee.

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"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I gladly take my standThe shadow of a mighty Rock
Within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness,
A rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat,
And the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus
My eye at times can see
The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me;
And from my smitten heart with tears
Two wonders I confessThe wonders of redeeming love
And my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, your shadow
For my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of His face,
Content to let the world go by,
To know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self my only shame,
My glory all the cross.

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"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts | Lowell Mason
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