

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" Rev. Timothy R. Monroe 137 N. Walnut Street ~ Blairsville, PA 15717-1349 Church office 724-459-7991 e-mail: upchurch@r-church.com; website: www.r-church.com Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Dr. Roger D. Petersen

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE April 11, 2021 ~ 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

"I've Just Seen Jesus" By the Gaither's Organ and Piano Duet

Call to Worship (Psalm 133)

Lon Ferguson, Liturgist

- Leader: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
- People: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.
- Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.
- People: For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life for evermore.

*Hymn # 295 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

*Prayer of Confession

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. We claim that we have no sin but you know the truth about us. We say that we have not seen you even when you stand among us now. Forgive us, God of grace. Breathe on us with your Spirit to set us free from doubt and sin, so that we may be at peace with you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Assurance of Forgiveness *Gloria Patri *Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson Anthem

"I was There"

By Roger Copeland

The Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson Sermon John 20:19-31

I John 1:1-2:2

Rev. Timothy Monroe

(The Apostles' Creed)

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.

*Hymn # 293 "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"
Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer ("...debts...and debtors...")
*Hymn # 302 "He Lives"
*Benediction
*Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand)

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Lon Ferguson; Organist, Marilyn Neal; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Ushers, Pat and Janeen Swope; Audio/Visual, Kristi Eckenroad and Dennis Gould; Streaming, Olivia Eckenroad.

GRANNIES will meet in Fellowship Hall Monday, April 12th from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. There are tasks for all skill levels. All are welcome.

THE BLAIRSVILLE AREA MINISTERIUM will meet Monday, April 12th at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude Church.

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. 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 for rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Safety measures are followed while we meet. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Cindy Borbonus.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday, April 15th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group works on personal projects and fellowships.

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.

THERE ARE SEVERAL in the congregation who have expressed interest in becoming members of the church. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Pastor Monroe or contact the church office, 724-459-7991.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	Worship In-House and Online
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Ministerium Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	11:00 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	5:30 p.m.	Daisy Troops Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	Worship In-House and Online

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured: Alleluia! Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love: Alleluia! Praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

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"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days! Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: All creation is amazed. In the desert all-surrounding, See, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding Bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits From the caverns of despair. Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare. Drink the wine of resurrection, Not a servant, but a friend. Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven Nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation Where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna, everyone!

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"He Lives"

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever men may say; I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, And just the time I need Him He's always near.

CHORUS

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me Along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

In all the world around me I see His loving care, And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair; I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast, The day of His appearing will come at last.

CHORUS

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find, None other is so loving, so good and kind.

CHORUS

Alfred Henry Ackley

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