# The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. Psalm 23: 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" 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 25, 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

"Majesty" Organ and Piano Duet

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By Hayford

Call to Worship (Psalm 23)

Dennis Gould, Liturgist

Leader: The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Leader: Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

People: I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff – they comfort me.

- Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

my whole life long.

\*Hymn # 86 "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

\*Prayer of Confession

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

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

#### **DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

New Testament Lesson Anthem

I John 3:16-24 By Michael Ware

"My Loving Shepherd with O How I Love Jesus" THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Cindy Borbonus, Director - Marilyn Neal, Accompanist

Gospel Lesson Sermon

John 10:11-18 Rev. Timothy Monroe

#### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD**

\*Affirmation of Faith

(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1)

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong-body and soul, in life and in death-not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

\*Hymn # 442 "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer ("...debts...and debtors...") "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

\*Hymn # 440 \*Benediction \*Postlude

(\*All who are able, please stand)

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

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Ron Conrad by Ron and Kim McKinney.

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

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

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE would like to assemble a list of elders and deacons who are comfortable serving communion. If you would be willing to volunteer to serve the sacrament, please contact Gene Artman. 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.

AGING SERVICES can help seniors obtain their COVID-19 vaccine. If you are aware of someone who is homebound, needs transportation to a vaccine site or is having difficulty making an appointment, Aging Services can help. Call (in Indiana County) 724-349-4564.



We are looking for those in the congregation who are graduating. It is our tradition to honor the accomplishments of our graduates. If you or your child will be graduating, please contact the church office, 724-459-7991 or upchurch@r-church.com.

## **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
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	5:30 p.m.	Daisy Troops meet in Fellowship Hall
	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

# "The Lord's My Shepherd"

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.

Yea though I walk through death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house for evermore My dwelling place shall be.

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#### "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word, Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

(Chorus)

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood, Just in simple faith to plunge me 'Neath the healing cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, Just from sin and self to cease, Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust you, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend, And I know that you are with me, Will be with me to the end.

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## "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

Savior, like a Shepherd lead us, Much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us, For our use thy folds prepare;

(Chorus)

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, do thou befriend us, Be the guardian of our way; Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray:

Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and power to free:

Early let us seek thy favor, Early let us do thy will; Blessed Lord and only Savior, With thy love our bosoms fill:

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