



Mark 4:30-31, NRSV

He also said,  
"With what  
can we  
compare  
the kingdom of  
God ...? It is like  
a mustard seed ..."

**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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June 13, 2021 ~ 10:00 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

“A Quiet Place”

By Carmichael

Organ and Piano Duet

Call to Worship (*Psalm 92*)

Mary Gorslene, Liturgist

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

**People: To declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night,**

Leader: To the music of the lute and the harp,  
to the melody of the lyre.

**People: For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

\*Hymn # 59 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

\*Prayer of Confession

**Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. We judge by outward appearances, but you see what is in our hearts. We look down on small things, but you know how they will grow. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to live by faith, trusting in the vision of your word and the promise of a new creation; 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 5:6-17

Special Music

Kathy Mooney

Gospel Lesson

Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith

*(The Confession of 1967)*

**Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God over all that resists his will and disrupts his creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in men and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.**

**With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.**

\*Hymn # 549

"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer ("*...debts...and debtors...*")

\*Hymn # 721

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

(\*All who are able, please stand)

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THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of the Stuchal family by Gary and Barri Stuchal.

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

WE WOULD like to schedule special music for the summer worship services. If you or someone you know would be interested in sharing musical gifts with us, please contact Cindy Borbonus or the church office, 724-459-7991.

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.

#### PROPERTY AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

As you may have noticed, two trees along Walnut Street have been removed from in front of the church due to their roots lifting the sidewalk and creating tripping hazards. In the coming days there will be extensive concrete work done to replace lifted and broken slabs. As you come to worship, you may be redirected to use an entrance for safety reasons. If you have any questions, please see Pat Swope or Bob Cosharek.

OOPS...there was a birthday missed on the June list in the newsletter. Please add Riley Mudge on June 15<sup>th</sup>.



## NEWSLETTER BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. To whom did David say, "I have sinned against the Lord?"

Answer: Nathan, found in II Samuel 12:13

2. Who does the Bible describe as, "In all Israel there was not a man so highly praised for his handsome appearance"?

Answer: Absalom, found in II Samuel 14:25

3. How many of David's mighty men broke through the Philistine line to get David a drink from the well of Bethlehem?

Answer: three, found in II Samuel 23:16

### SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship In-House and Online
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship In-House and Online Graduate Recognition - <i>Father's Day</i>

## “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us, Joining all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.

Edward Hodges | Henry Van Dyke | Ludwig van Beethoven  
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# “I Love Your Kingdom Lord”

I love your kingdom, Lord,  
The house of your abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved  
With His own precious blood.

I love your Church, O God,  
Her walls before you stand,  
Dear as the apple of your eye,  
And graven on your hand.

For her my tears shall fall,  
For her my prayers ascend,  
To her my cares and toils be given  
Till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy  
I prize her heavenly ways,  
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,  
Her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as Thy truth shall last  
To Zion shall be given  
The brightest glories earth can yield  
And brighter bliss of heaven

Aaron Williams | Timothy Dwight

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## “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest-home.  
All is safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin.  
God, our Maker, does provide For our wants to be supplied;  
Come to God's own temple, come, Raise the song of harvest-home.  
All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield,  
Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrows grown.  
First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear,  
Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.  
For the Lord our God shall come And shall take His harvest home,  
From His field shall in that day All offenses purge away,  
Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.  
Even so, Lord, quickly come To your final harvest-home,  
Gather all your people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin,  
There, forever purified, In your presence to abide.  
Come, with all your angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest-home.

George Job Elvey | Henry Alford

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