

## 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

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# THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE September 19, 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 "Tears Will Never Stain the Streets of that City"

Arr. W. Elmo Mercer

Introit # 549 "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.

Call to Worship (Psalm 54)

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Leader: Save me, O God, by your name,

and vindicate me by your might.

People: Hear my prayer, O God;

give ear to the words of my mouth.

Leader: For the insolent have risen against me,

the ruthless seek my life;

they do not set God before them.

People: But surely, God is my helper;

the Lord is the upholder of my life.

All: For he has delivered me from every trouble,

and my eye has looked in triumph

on my enemies.

\*Hymn # 67 "Come, We That Love the Lord"

## \*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. We sow the seeds of conflict while you seek the harvest of peace. We argue about who is greatest while you welcome the last and least. Forgive us, God of grace. Draw near to us this day with the wisdom of your Word, and teach us how to serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

New Testament Lesson James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Anthem "Devotion" By Beck

The Chancel Choir – Director, Cindy Borbonus

Gospel Lesson Mark 9:30-37

Sermon Rev. Timothy Monroe

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith (Table 1)

(The Westminster Confession of Faith)

God in infinite and perfect love, having provided in the covenant of grace, through the mediation and sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ, a way of life and salvation, sufficient for and adapted to the whole lost race of man, doth freely offer this salvation to all men in the gospel. In the gospel God declares his love for the world and his desire that all men should be saved; reveals fully and clearly the only way of salvation; promises eternal life to all who truly repent and believe in Christ; invites and commands all to embrace the offered mercy; and by his Spirit accompanying the Word pleads with men to accept his gracious invitation.

<sup>\*</sup>Assurance of Forgiveness

<sup>\*</sup>Gloria Patri

<sup>\*</sup>Sharing of the Peace

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn # 437

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

- \*Hymn # 589 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"
- \*Benediction
- \*Choral Response
- \*Postlude

(\*All who are able, please stand)

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THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Jean Heberling; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Ushers, Barri Stuchal and Alan Lowman; Audio/Visual, Elizabeth and Abigail Bruner; Streaming, John Bruner.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Nancy Boone.

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

THE SESSION will gather in Fellowship Hall Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. for their monthly meeting. Packets for the meeting can be picked up in the parlor.

WE WILL GATHER for Bible Study in Fellowship Hall and on ZOOM Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. We are focusing on the gospel of John. As we gather, we will follow CDC guidelines. Please call the church office with any questions or concerns.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is scheduled for Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship to receive the report of the Nominating Committee and the pastoral Terms of Call for 2022.

THE HANDBELL CHOIR is currently in need of 3 or 4 new ringers so it can ring the 3-octave music. We welcome any seasoned ringers and any new to handbell ringing. Contact Vicky Westley, director for more information.

OUR CHANCEL CHOIR will rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. New voices are always welcome! If you are interested in singing in the choir or need more information, please see Cindy Borbonus.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet in the parlor Thursday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. This group works on personal projects and fellowships. All are welcome.

#### CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee meets in the parlor
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troops in Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the sanctuary
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting

# "Come, We That Love the Lord"

Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known, Join in a song with sweet accord, And thus surround the throne.

Let those refuse to sing Who never knew our God; But children of the heavenly King May speak their joys abroad.

The hill of Zion yields
A thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heavenly fields,
Or walk the golden streets.

Then let our songs abound, And every tear be dry; We're marching thru Emmanuel's ground To fairer worlds on high.

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# "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so!
Little ones to him belong: they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, he who died heaven's gate to open wide; he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way; he's prepared a home for me, and some day his face I'll see. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

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# "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

O Master, let me walk with Thee In lowly paths of service free; Tell me Thy secret: Help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear, winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stay, And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me Thy patience still with Thee In closer, dearer company, In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give,
With Thee, O Master, let me live.

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