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**“EVERYONE
SERVES
THE GOOD
WINE
FIRST...
BUT YOU HAVE KEPT
the good wine
UNTIL NOW.”**

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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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

January 16, 2022 ~ 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

“Each Step That I Take”

By Dottie Rambo

Introit #94

“Shout to the Lord”

Call to Worship (*Psalm 36*)

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Leader: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgements are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.**

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge
in the shadow of your wings.

**People: They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink
from the river of your delights.**

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

**People: O continue your steadfast love
to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart!**

*Hymn # 71

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

*Prayer of Confession

Loving Lord, we long to be your faithful people, but our good intentions run out and we come up empty. For all the ways we fall short in our sin, forgive us, Gracious One. Change us – like water into wine – to become what the world lacks, that our community, our nation, our church, and all creation may know your justice and love.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 62:1-5

Anthem

“Think About His Love”

By Harrah-Newton

Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson

John 2:1-11

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(Apostles' Creed)

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 # 72

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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

Choral Amen

*Hymn # 358 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

*(*All who are able, please stand)*

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

THE COMMUNITY UNITY SERVICE to be held this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church has been cancelled.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, January 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. 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. Our focus is on the gospel of John. As we gather, we will follow CDC guidelines. Please call the church office with any questions or concerns.

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 enjoys fellowship. All are welcome.

LATER THIS YEAR, we will recognize our congregation's 200th anniversary! Plans are beginning to be made for our celebration. If you are interested in being a part of the planning process, a meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Bring your ideas to the meeting. All are invited.

THE 2021 YEAR IN REVIEW Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 30th. The meeting will be held following worship. Committee chairs and treasurers are reminded that year-end reports are requested to be turned in by Sunday, January 23rd. Committee reports consist of a summary of the year's activities, committee members and comments you would like to share. If you need any information or have questions, please contact the church office.

YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED the congregational questionnaire in the mail. The elders would like your input and ask that you take the time to honestly answer the questions. Then, return it to the church in the envelope provided. These findings will be used by the elders to help us better meet our mission. If you did not receive a survey and would like to participate, please contact the church office and one can be mailed to you.

THE 2022 FLOWER CHART is hanging in the hallway outside the church office. If you would like to order flowers for Sunday worship, please use the chart to sign-up for your choice of date. Please note any special dedication for the bulletin. Flowers are \$20/Sunday and checks can be made payable to the: Board of Deacons.

THE WORK of the Nominating Committee is some of the most important in the life of the church. Those serving have the responsibility to bring before the congregation the names of members who will potentially serve as elders and deacons. Members of this

committee should have: an understanding of the nature, ministry and mission of the church; an awareness of the spiritual nature of the offices of elder and deacon; a knowledge of the impending challenges before the church; a familiarity with the members of the congregation and the potential gifts and abilities they bring to service; and, a spirit of prayer as they approach this work. If you, or someone you know would do well at the discernment of nominations, and would like to be considered for service on this committee, please write the name and place it in the offering plate today.

THE KIDS COAT DRIVE was successful again this year. Sixteen coats were given out to children in need. Janet will continue to be in contact with human service organizations about the possible need for coats. Thank you to all those who support this ministry.

THE DEACONS were unable to distribute Thanksgiving baskets due to a lack of turkeys. However, they regrouped and worked on Christmas boxes for families in need. Each box was overflowing with groceries including a ham, potatoes, milk, eggs, butter and canned goods. Twenty-five boxes were prepared and twenty-two were distributed. A big thank you to all those who supported the deacons in this project.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	9:45 a.m. Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m. Worship
Monday	6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. The Session meets in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m. Stitching Group
Saturday	10:00 a.m. Presbytery Meeting
Sunday	9:45 a.m. Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m. Worship

THE SESSION COMMITTEES FOR 2022

Each year the committees of session seek to have volunteers become active participants. Please review the committees and their responsibilities and consider serving. If you would like more information or have questions, please see Pastor Monroe or an elder. Chairs will be determined at the January Session meeting.

Worship – Worship services, sacraments, music, funerals, weddings

Mission – Benevolences, special offerings, global & local missions and missionaries

Christian Education – Sunday school programs, curriculum, adult education, youth work, leadership education

Finance – Finances, special funds, and annual budget

Stewardship – Stewardship education and programs, challenges the congregation in its faithful use of the many different resources entrusted to our care

Property & Maintenance – Construction, maintenance, repairs, housekeeping, safety, security, yard work, inventory

Congregational Fellowship – Suppers, Dinner Theater, picnics, outings, trips, camping

Evangelism – New member recruitment and assimilation, outreach, publicity

Shout To the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord there is none like You,
All of my days I want to praise,
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord,
All the earth let us sing;
Power and majesty
Praise to the King!
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name!
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands,
Forever I'll love You,
Forever I'll stand,
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You.

Darlene Zschech

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is your health and salvation!
Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, above all things
So wondrously reigning;
Sheltering you under His wings,
And so gently sustaining!
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper
Your work and defend you:
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend you.

Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him.
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Thomas Obediah Chisholm | William Marion Runyan

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Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into every troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit, Let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, Never-more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation, Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley | John Zundel

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