

COME,
*all you who
are thirsty,*

COME
*to the
waters...*

Isaiah 55:1

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”*

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March 20, 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

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

By Berry-Bennett

Introit

“Now Thank We All Our God”

14 vs. 3

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

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Call to Worship (*Psalms 63*)

Barb Brown, Liturgist

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you.

**People: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.**

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

**People: So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

Leader: My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips.

**People: For you have been my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.**

*Hymn # 471

“As the Deer”

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you are holy; your ways are not our ways. Your thoughts are higher than the heavens, far beyond our understanding. Yet you are faithful, providing a way out when we are tested, and setting a limit to what we must endure. We confess that we often fail to choose your way of life, squandering our substance on that which does not satisfy. Forgive us, O Lord, for every evil desire, every immoral act, every unrighteous thought. Grant us mercy and pardon, in the name of Jesus Christ, that we find delight and peace in your presence once again.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-9

Anthem

“Call to Me”

By Nygard

Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Director

New Testament Lesson

I Corinthians 10:1-13

Sermon

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”

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

Choral Amen

*Hymn # 440 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Barb Brown; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Ushers, Barri Stuchal and Alan Lowman; Audio/Visual/Streaming, Olivia and Kristi Eckenroad.

THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE has begun planning our celebration. The next meeting will be Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Anyone interested in joining the planning process is welcome.

BIBLE STUDY will be held 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 will rehearse Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. in the Bell Room. The choir is still 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.

THE MISSION COMMITTEE will meet Thursday, March 31st at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Anyone interested is invited to attend. If you have any questions or would like more information about the committee, please see Lon Ferguson, chair or Pastor Monroe.

STAND WITH UKRAINE - The Synod of the Trinity is joining forces with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to help support the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s humanitarian response to the war in Ukraine. The Synod is pledging \$1,000 to the cause, but want to send more! The Synod will **match up to \$24,000 more** from any congregation or presbytery in our region that donates through the Presbyterian Mission Exchange giving platform.

We are extending you the opportunity to support the Ukraine through a special offering. If you would like to support this offering, please make your check payable to our church and ***mark your gifts clearly for Ukraine***. All gifts will be sent through the Presbyterian Mission Exchange giving platform to be matched. All administration fees will be covered by the Synod so your entire donation will be sent on to the PDA.

WILL YOU HELP? We are in need of a team of 2 – 3 people to be trained to run the sound/projector/streaming from the balcony during worship. We currently have three teams and would like a fourth so that a monthly rotating schedule can be created. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Jean Heberling, Doug Clayton or contact the church office. Thank you.

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.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available at the back of the sanctuary for anyone wishing to take one. The booklets include a Daily Lenten Reflection for each day through Lent and concludes on Easter Day.

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR LENT AND EASTER

Wednesdays

Online Community Lenten Services, 12:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday Worship, 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 14

Worship & Communion, 7:00 p.m.

Community Good Friday Worship, April 15

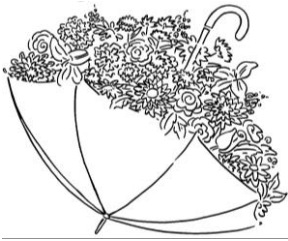
C&MA Church, 7:00 p.m.

Easter Day, April 17

Early Easter Worship, 8:00 a.m.

Light Easter Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.

Easter Day Worship, 11:00 a.m.



It's a Shower!

The Board of Deacons are having a shower for the Alice Paul House in Indiana and you're invited to join in!

We are collecting items needed by the Alice Paul House through the months of March and April.

We ask that all donations be brought to the church by Sunday, May 1st. A container is located at the back of the sanctuary to collect items.

Thank you for joining us in this outreach of love.

Their Wish List:

Walmart, Sheetz, Lowes gift cards,
laundry detergent, laundry baskets, dryer sheets,
toilet paper, paper towels, tissues,
disinfectant wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, Comet, bleach,
Magic Erasers, tall kitchen & small trash bags,
hand soap & hand sanitizer, Chapstick,
dry goods, canned food

SPECIAL STONES are available to you in the back of the sanctuary as part of our 200th celebration. You are encouraged to take one and to carry it with you as a reminder of your calling, the blessings of your heritage and your responsibility to live out with boldness the work entrusted to your care. We look forward to our celebration of God's presence in our midst.

COMMUNITY LENTEN REFLECTIONS will be presented by local ministers and available online each Wednesday during Lent. The 2022 Lenten services will focus on the theme: *True Religion—The Spiritual and Social Responsibilities of the Church*. Please use this link to access the youtube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3nq0fsIDKtl4d1bpHN1pHg>

The schedule of speakers is listed below:

Mar 2.....	The Abused & Violated.....	Linda Corle
Mar 9.....	The Elderly.....	Rev. John Buchmann
Mar 16.....	The Imprisoned.....	Rev. Fred Craig
Mar 23.....	The Lonely.....	Rev. John Smaligo
Mar 30.....	The Poor & Hungry.....	Rev. Harold Hicks
Apr 6.....	The Prejudiced & Oppressed.....	Rev. Joe Baird
Apr 13.....	The Sick & Dying.....	Rev. Timothy Monroe
Apr 15.....	Good Friday.....	Rev. Rusty McClurg

7:00 p.m. in person at the C&MA Church

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	6:00 p.m.	200 th Anniversary Committee Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Online Lenten Service
	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop meets in Fellowship Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	Worship