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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 27, 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

“The Solid Rock”

By Berry-Bennett

Introit

“Like a River Glorious”

435

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,

Over all victorious in its bright increase:

Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day,

Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,

Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Frances Ridley Havergal | James Mountain

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Call to Worship (*Psalm 32*)

Bonni Dunlap, Liturgist

L: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**P: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

L: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning
all day long.

**P: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;

**P: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord”,
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

L: Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;

P: You are a hiding-place for me;

You preserve me from trouble;

You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

*Hymn # 72“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*Prayer of Confession

Our gracious heavenly Father, we confess that we have sinned against heaven and against you. In our stubbornness, we have gone our own ways, and failed to stay near you. In our ingratitude, we have failed to remember how your righteous Son became sin on our behalf, to bring about our justification. In our shortsightedness, we have neglected the message of reconciliation entrusted to us. We acknowledge our sin, O God, for we cannot hide our iniquity. We confess our transgressions, O Lord; set us free from all self-deceit. Forgive the guilt of our sin, that we may be a joyous people, and praise you with loud cries of deliverance.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

Sacrament of Baptism

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

II Corinthians 5:16-21

Anthem

“In the Name of the Lord”

By Patti-McFadden

Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Director

Gospel Lesson

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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 # 354

“Just as I Am”

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

(Please come forward to receive the sacrament)

(Those who remain at their seat, will be served)

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn # 348

“Softly and Tenderly”

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Anyone who professes faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is invited to receive and share the sacrament.

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

THE WHOLE CHURCH of Jesus Christ rejoices as Waylon Scott Faulk, son of Joseph and Brittany Faulk, is baptized into Christ and the family of faith.

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

THE MISSION COMMITTEE will meet Thursday at 6:00 p.m. 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.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available at the back of the sanctuary for anyone wishing to take one.

THE SYNOD of the Trinity has joined forces with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to help support the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s humanitarian response to the war in Ukraine. The outpouring of support for the Synod of the Trinity's fund for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has been staggering. The total they received to assist the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s humanitarian response to the war in Ukraine has exceeded the original matching figure of \$24,000. Because of all the generous donations, **they are increasing their matching figure to \$50,000** for individuals, churches and presbyteries in our region. 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. 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.

SPECIAL STONES are available to you in the back of the sanctuary as part of our 200th anniversary 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

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

HAPPY
Anniversary

SCHEDULE OF DATES TO REMEMBER FOR OUR 200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

August 13.....Open House at our Church
during the Community Knotweed Festival
August 14..... Church Picnic & Men with Mixers
September 17..... 200th Anniversary Dinner & Presentation
September 18..... Bicentennial Worship and Soup & Salad Lunch
September 21..... 200th Anniversary Concert & Reception

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion
	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
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
	12:00 p.m.	Online Lenten Service
	5:45 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Class
	11:00 a.m.	Worship