

GOD *exalted*
HIM *at HIS*
right hand as
Leader and
SAVIOR.

Acts 5:31, NRSV

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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April 24, 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

“My Tribute”

By Andre Crouch

Introit #71

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

Come, all who hear; now to His temple draw near,

Join me in glad adoration!

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Call to Worship (*Psalm 118*)

Rick Shoemaker, Liturgist

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

**People: There are glad songs of victory
in the tents of the righteous:**

“The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

Leader: The right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.”

**People: I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

Leader: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.

**People: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.**

*Hymn # 289 “Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

*Prayer of Confession

O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when the doors of our hearts are locked. Graciously, you seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us from your ways and corrupted our best intentions, tempting us to believe that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

Anthem

"Your Grace Still Amazes Me"

By Clydesdale

The Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, director

New Testament Lesson

Acts 5:27-32

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the

Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*Hymn # 302

"He Lives"

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

Choral Amen

*Hymn # 312

"Christ Is Alive"

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Rick Shoemaker; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Audio/Visual and Streaming, Kristi and Olivia Eckenroad.

THE WHOLE CHURCH of Jesus Christ rejoices as Maura-Reese LaRue Borbonus, daughter of Mark and Lynnette Borbonus, is baptized into Christ and the family of faith.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Ron Conrad by Ron and Kim McKinney.

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.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will not meet this week. We will resume the study on Wednesday, May 4th at 10:00 a.m.

THE HANDBELL CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. in the Bell Room. We welcome any seasoned ringers and any new to handbell ringing. Contact Vicky Westley, director for more information.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will gather for rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Cindy Borbonus.

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.

THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE continues to plan for the celebration this year. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Additional ideas for recognizing our anniversary are welcomed. All those interested in participating with the planning is invited to attend the meeting.

AT THE APRIL MEETING of the Session, it was moved to establish a 200th Anniversary Fund to receive donations which will be used to offset the expense of the anniversary dinner. If you would like to contribute to the cost of the dinner, please mark your gifts clearly "Anniversary Dinner" and drop them in the offering plate or mail it to the church.

THE CHRISTIAN ED COMMITTEE is looking for the names of upcoming graduates from high school or schools of higher learning. It has been our tradition to recognize the accomplishments of our young people during a worship service. This year we plan to have Graduate Recognition during the 10:00 a.m. worship service Sunday, June 5th.

IT'S A SHOWER!

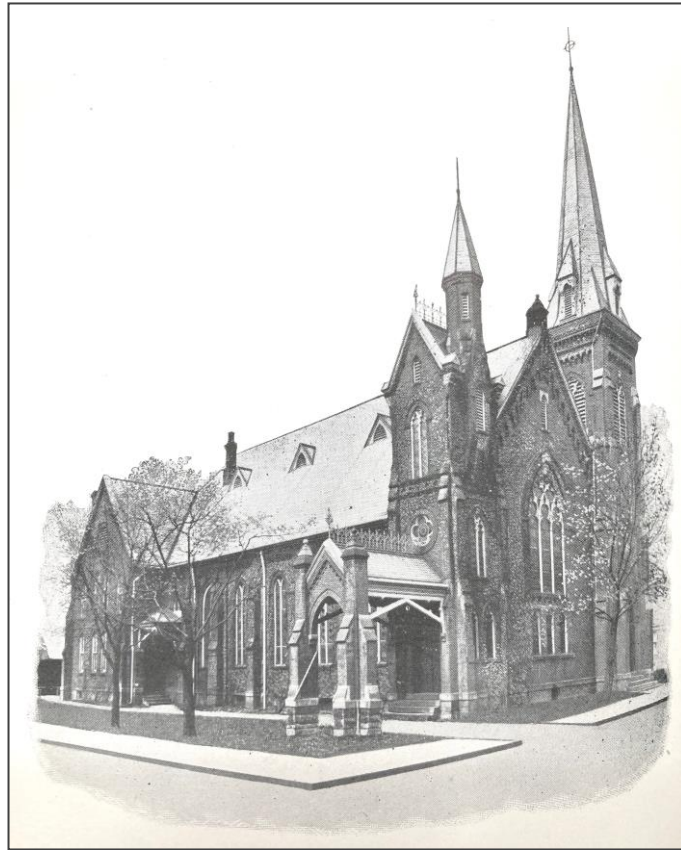
The Board of Deacons are having a shower for the Alice Paul House in Indiana and you're invited to join in! We are collecting items needed by the Alice Paul House through the month of April. We ask that all donations be brought to the church by Sunday, May 1st. A container is located at the back of the 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

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship and Baptism
	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	5:00 p.m.	Daisies meet 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 Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship



200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

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Saturday, August 13

Open House at our Church
during the Community Knotweed Festival

Sunday, August 14

Church Picnic & Men with Mixers

Saturday, September 17

200th Anniversary Dinner & Presentation

Sunday, September 18

Bicentennial Worship and Soup & Salad Lunch

Wednesday, September 21

200th Anniversary Concert & Reception