

## 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 May 8, 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 "Our Sacrifice of Praise" By Don Wyrtzen

Introit "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #440

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us, For our use thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

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Call to Worship (Psalm 23)

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

Leader: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths

for his name's sake.

People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil; for you are with me;

your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

\*Hymn # 73 "The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well"

To whom shall we address our confession, O God, but to you and to the Lamb, to whom salvation belongs? We confess, O God, that our ordeals are many, and often of our own making. We have walked many valleys darkened by doubt, cut off from the light of faith. Forgive and restore us, O Lord. Wipe away every tear and cleanse us in the blood of the Lamb, that our hearts, our words, and our actions may be pure and pleasing to you, our righteous God, our Good Shepherd.

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

New Testament Lesson Revelation 7:9-17

Anthem "Shepherd of My Soul" By Dengler

The Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, director

Gospel Lesson John 10:22-30

Sermon Rev. Timothy Monroe

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Confession

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

<sup>\*</sup>Gloria Patri

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

#### 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 # 99 "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd"

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

Choral Amen

- \*Hymn # 440 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"
- \*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; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Audio/Visual and Streaming, Elizabeth, Abigail and John Bruner.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all the women of the church who nurture us in our faith!

TODAY we will receive a Blanket Offering for Church World Service. They are able to provide blankets for \$10 each, and distribute them to those hurting and in need due to hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and other crises.

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.

THE BLAIRSVILLE MINISTERIUM will meet Monday at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude Catholic Church.

THE ICCAP FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday. Proof of residence in the Blairsville borough is needed when signing up for the first time.

A PRESBYTERY MEETING will be held Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. Lon Ferguson will attend as commissioner with Pastor Monroe.

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 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.

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 200TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE continues to plan for the celebration this year. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Additional ideas for recognizing our anniversary are welcomed. All those interested in participating with the planning are 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 MISSION COMMITTEE will meet Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Anyone interested in mission or learning more about it, is invited to attend the meeting. Please see Lon Ferguson or Pastor Monroe for more information.

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 5<sup>th</sup>.

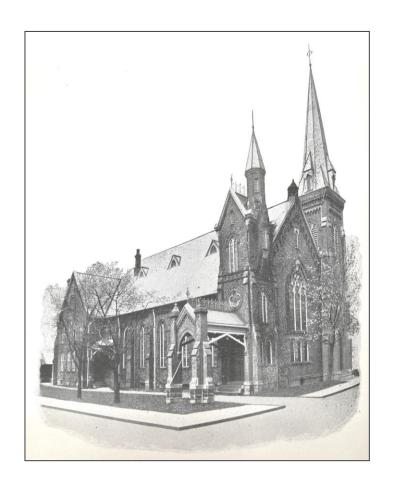
THE RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL Baccalaureate Service will be held Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Hebron Lutheran Church. Family and friends are invited to attend this cap and gown event led by the Class of 2022.

OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE begins Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. **The worship hour is at 10:00 a.m. throughout the summer months.** Our choirs and Sunday School will be in recess. Following Labor Day, our Regular Schedule will resume. Please mark your calendars.

WE WOULD like to schedule special music for summer worship services. If you or someone you know would be interested in sharing musical gifts with us on Sunday morning, please contact Cindy Borbonus or the church office, 724-459-7991.

# **REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

5:00 p.m. Daisy Troop meets in Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal 2:00 p.m. Stitching Group 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leader Meeting Saturday 1:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall reserved	Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
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# 200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

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

# **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

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