



They were all filled with  
the Holy Spirit ...

Acts 2:4, ESV

**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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June 5, 2022 ~ 10:00 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

Moment for Mission

Lon Ferguson

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Prelude      “Holy, Holy, Holy/Give to God Immortal Praise Medley”  
                  Arr. Kevin McChesney/Arr. Dan R. Edwards  
                  The Handbell Choir – Vicky Westley, director

Call to Worship (*Psalm 104*)

Mary Gorslene, Liturgist

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
          In wisdom you have made them all;  
          the earth is full of your creatures.

**People: When you give to them, they gather it up;  
          when you open your hand,  
          they are filled with good things.**

Leader: When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
          when you take away their breath,  
          they die and return to their dust.

**People: When you send forth your spirit, they are created;  
          and you renew the face of the ground.**

Leader: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;  
          may the Lord rejoice in his works.

**People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
          I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

**All: May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
          for I rejoice in the Lord.**

\*Hymn # 50

“Great Is the Lord”

\*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

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

Gospel Lesson

John 14:8-17, 25-27

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

Arr. Lloyd Larson

The Handbell Choir – Vicky Westley, director

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

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 # 492 "Spirit of the Living God"

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 # 461 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Graduate Recognition

\*Benediction

\*Response

"Thy Word"

Arr. Susan E. Greschke

\*Postlude

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

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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, Mary Gorslone; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Handbell Choir Director, Vicky Westley; ushers, Barri Stuchal and Alan Lowman.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Jim and Sally Bence by Ed Bence.

A TIME for recognizing the accomplishments of our graduates will be held today during worship. This year our graduates include:

**High School:**

Andrew Baker

Elizabeth Bruner

Shakira McKinney

**Higher Education:**

Tyler Moran

**Doctorate:**

Matthew Cyphert

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.

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 SESSION approved a 200th Anniversary Fund to receive donations which will be used to offset the expense of the anniversary dinner. The estimated cost for the dinner is \$3,168. 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 to the church.

WE HOPE YOU have been enjoying the church history that's being shared through the newsletter, bulletins and Sunday morning screens. The 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee continue to make plans for the celebration activities. At the last meeting, some start times were decided on. See the list for details. If you would like to get involved, call the church office or talk with Pastor Monroe. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

CAMP LAMBEC is a place for fun adventures in faith, family, and friends. If you'd like to have a great experience at camp, make new friends, enjoy the amenities, and grow in your faith, then choose the program that's right for you. Camps offered this summer include: Wet N Wild and Wetter N Wilder, Sports Camp, Music Camp, and Family Camp. Call the church office for more information.

## **SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

|                         |            |  |
|-------------------------|------------|--|
| <b>Sunday</b>           | 10:00 a.m. | Worship & Communion                        |
| <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> |            | Graduate Recognition<br>Pentecost Offering |
| <b>Monday</b>           | 6:30 p.m.  | Boy Scouts Meeting                         |
| <b>Wednesday</b>        | 10:00 a.m. | Bible Study                                |
| <b>Thursday</b>         | 2:00 p.m.  | Stitching Group                            |
|                         | 6:30 p.m.  | Girl Scout Leader Meeting                  |
| <b>Friday</b>           | 6:00 p.m.  | Fellowship Hall reserved                   |
| <b>Sunday</b>           | 10:00 a.m. | Worship                                    |

## **200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES**

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**Saturday, August 13 ~ 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**  
Open House at our Church  
during the Community Knotweed Festival

**Sunday, August 14 ~ 11:00 AM**  
Church Picnic & Men with Mixers

**Saturday, September 17 ~ 5:00 PM**  
200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner &  
6:15 PM  
Presentation

**Sunday, September 18 ~ 11:00 AM**  
Bicentennial Worship & Soup & Salad Lunch

**Wednesday, September 21**  
200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert & Reception

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## FOREWORD

This is the twenty-third annual Year Book issued by this congregation. The first one was printed in 1906. The Rev. William L. Barrett, D. D., was pastor at that time. The report shows a church membership of 405, and an average Sunday School attendance of 116.

The Year Book has been published each year since 1906 with the one exception of 1919. There are two anniversary editions, one in 1910, celebrating the fifth anniversary of Dr. Barrett's pastorate and the other in 1913 giving a record of the celebration of the ninetieth anniversary of the organization of the church which was celebrated in September 1912. This celebration was combined with the dedication of the new addition to the church building and the new pipe organ. The Rev. Michael M. McDivitt, D. D., was pastor at the time these improvements were made.

In presenting this Year Book it is intended that it shall serve not only a permanent record of the reports of the various phases of the church, but also as a handbook of information for use throughout the year. The lists of officers are those chosen to serve during the year ending March 31, 1930. In connection with the roll of contributors the accurate address is given as far as possible. The schedule of meetings gives the time for the regular appointments and meetings.

The financial reports are given in full so that each contributor may know the objects to which the money collected for the various funds is applied. In connection with the church secretary's financial report the question has been raised as to the meaning of some of the terms used. "Direct Payments" refers to the amount sent in by mail or paid directly at the church office. "Envelopes" designates the amount contributed through the use of the regular double pocket envelopes. "Loose collection" refers to the money placed on the collection plates without any special designation.

The pastor wishes to express his appreciation to the officers and members of the church and to the various organizations for the fine spirit of cooperation that has been manifest through the year. This explains the fact that many of the reports are better than they were last year. The better these reports become the more difficult it becomes to maintain the standard for the next year. We face this task now, but we believe it is possible to attain a greater measure of success in this next year than we have in the past. To this end let us work and pray.

J. NORMAN HUNTER

May 1, 1929



