

My beloved  
had a  
*vineyard*  
on a very  
*fertile hill.*

Isaiah 5:1, 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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August 14, 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

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Prelude

“To Praise You”  
Adam Loucks, soloist

By Daniel L. Schutte

Call to Worship (*Psalm 80*)

Mel Woodring, Liturgist

Leader: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
you who lead Joseph like a flock!

**People: Stir up your might, and come to save us!**

Leader: Turn again, O God of hosts;  
look down from heaven, and see.

**People: Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,  
the one whom you made strong for yourself.**

Leader: Then we will never turn back from you;  
give us life, and we will call on your name.

**People: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

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

\*Prayer of Confession

**Loving Creator, with a gardener’s tender touch, you planted your people to bear good fruit, but we bear wild grapes. With a welder’s fierce fire, you fashioned your people to glorify you, but we are riddled with impurities. In your generous mercy, O God, regard the vine you planted: save and restore us. Reform the vessel you crafted: cleanse and refine us. Give us life, O God, that with our whole being, we may worship you rightly.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

## DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Lesson

Luke 12:49-56

Special Music

“Where Still Waters Flow”

By Susan Naylor Callaway

Adam Loucks, soloist

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-7

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith

*(Confession of 1967)*

**Wise and virtuous men through the ages have sought the highest good in devotion to freedom, justice, peace, truth, and beauty. Yet all human virtue, when seen in the light of God’s love in Jesus Christ, is found to be infected by self-interest and hostility. All men, good and bad alike, are in the wrong before God and helpless without his forgiveness. Thus all men fall under God’s judgment. No one is more subject to that judgment than the man who assumes that he is guiltless before God or morally superior to others.**

\*Hymn # 569

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

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

\*Hymn # 508

“Lead on, O King Eternal”

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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

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PLEASE JOIN us in the ritual of friendship by signing the attendance pads that are at one end of each of the pews. If you are here for the first time, we would appreciate it if you would give us your local telephone number. Please help yourself to a church brochure, a *Welcome Packet* or a copy of our newsletter, *Uplift*. These are available at the back of the church. We thank you for joining your voice to ours in sacred worship.

THE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for this morning's service are Liturgist, Mel Woodring; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Special Music, Adam Loucks; Ushers, Barri Stuchal and Alan Lowman; Audio/Visual, Elizabeth and John Bruner.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of Tim's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordained service by Shirley Monroe. (6-27-1982)

A SESSION MEETING will be held Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Packets for the meeting can be picked up in the church parlor.

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 LORD'S SUPPER was scheduled to be shared Sunday, September 11th. It has been moved one week to Sunday, September 18th to be part of our special bicentennial worship. Our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship Service will be a special day for our congregation and friends. All are invited to worship!

A CONFIRMATION CLASS is being planned. Parents, if you are interested in your child taking part, please contact the church office or talk with Pastor Monroe. Watch your weekly bulletin for more information.

COME AND JOIN us September 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM for the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Catered Dinner. **RESERVATIONS will be taken for OUR CONGREGATION beginning MONDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Reservations open to others beginning Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline to make your reservation. Please call Charlotte at 724-459-7991 **BETWEEN 9:00 AM AND 8:00 PM.** Make your reservation together with those whom you would like to sit. Each table will have eight place settings. There will be a cost of \$5.00 per person which will confirm your reservation. Checks can be made payable to the church and mailed or dropped in the offering plate by Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Presentation will follow at approximately 6:15 PM in the sanctuary. All are welcome, no reservations are necessary for the presentation. We hope you will make plans to come and celebrate with your church family!

THE ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE has ordered custom keepsake ornaments of the church from Wendall August Forge. These will be available to purchase when they arrive.

SAMARITANS PURSE Operation Christmas Child is a program that provides boxes of goodies to children at Christmas. Those who wish to participate fill a shoebox with age-appropriate items and can also choose to prepare the box for a girl or a boy. For those wishing to participate, we will collect filled boxes at the church. They should be brought in by October 15<sup>th</sup>. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup>, we will welcome Dianna Messenger to our pulpit. Dianna will share with us how God brought her through a time of serious illness. We hope her journey will encourage others who may be going through similar experiences. Pastor Monroe will not be in worship this Sunday. He and Bobbi will be out of town visiting family.

BIBLE STUDY will begin at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Our study will finish the gospel of John and then move on to the book of Revelation. Mark your calendar.

# **200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

## **SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES**

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### **CHURCH PICNIC & MEN WITH MIXERS AUCTION**

**Today ~ 11:00 AM**

Chicken, beverage and place settings will be provided. Those attending bring a dish to share. Men with Mixers auction will be held following the meal. Men of the church will prepare their favorite dessert/baked good items to be auctioned off. The proceeds will be sent to benefit Tackle Hunger (part of Souper Bowl of Caring). A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the sanctuary for those wishing to participate.

### **200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER & PRESENTATION**

**Saturday, September 17 ~ 5:00 PM & 6:15 PM**

A catered dinner will be served for a nominal fee followed by a presentation on our first 200 years in ministry. Dinner by reservation only.

### **BICENTENNIAL WORSHIP & LUNCHEON**

**Sunday, September 18 ~ 11:00 AM**

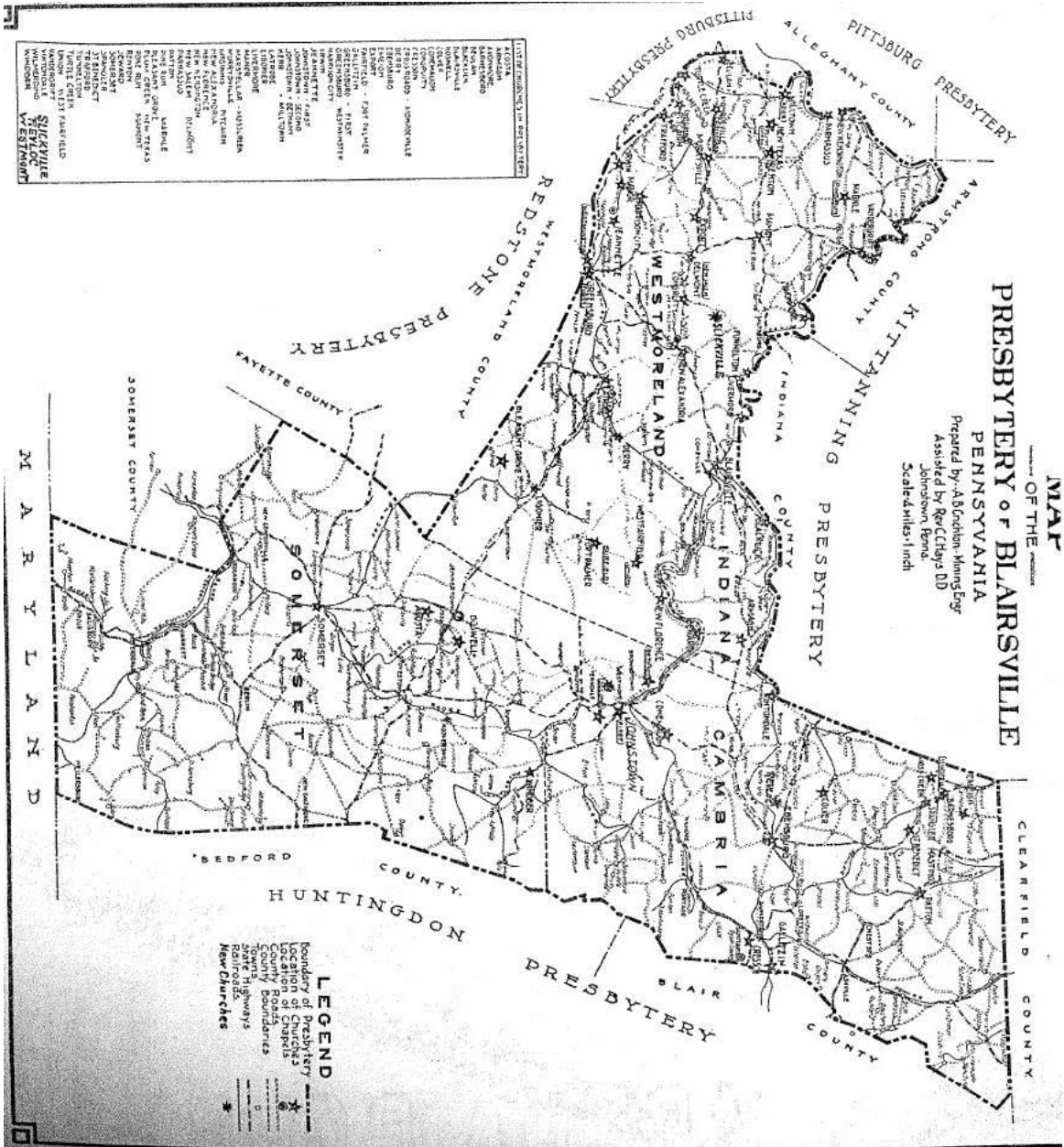
A special bicentennial worship service will be held including bagpipes, special music and the Blairsville Brass Ensemble. Following the service, a soup, sandwich and salad luncheon will be served in Fellowship Hall.

### **200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONCERT**

**Wednesday, September 21 ~ 7:00 PM**

A variety of musicians who have shared their talents with us in worship have been invited to be with us again at our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert. All those participating will come together to form a choir to present a couple numbers. It will be a wonderful evening of praise to our God for all he's done through the years and for what he has yet to do!

The Presbytery of Blairsville was established in 1830. This is a map which shows the areas which were part of the presbytery. Below the map is a blown-up view of the church names.



- LIST OF CHURCHES IN PRESBYTERY**
- ACOSTA
  - ARMISTE
  - ARMONORE
  - BARNESSORO
  - BEULAH
  - BLACKLICK
  - BLAIRSVILLE
  - HOSWELL
  - COLVER
  - CONEMAUGH
  - CONSPRUITY
  - CRESSON
  - CROSSROADS - HIGHROCKVILLE
  - DERRY
  - EBENSBURG
  - EMELSH
  - EXPORT
  - FAIRFIELD - FOOT DALMER
  - GALLITZIN
  - GREENSBURG - FIRST
  - GREENSBURG - WESTMINSTER
  - HARRISON CITY
  - IRWIN
  - JEANNETTE
  - JOHNSTOWN - FIRST
  - JOHNSTOWN - SECOND
  - JOHNSTOWN - BETHANY
  - KERR
  - LATROBE
  - LIGONIER
  - LIVERMORE
  - MANOR
  - MARSTELLAR - NOSSUTLEN
  - MURYSVILLE
  - MESIMINS
  - NEW ALEXANDRIA
  - NEW FLORENCE
  - NEW KENSINGTON
  - NEW SALEM
  - PARHASSUS
  - DATTON
  - DINE RUN
  - GLEASANT GROVE
  - OLUW CREEK
  - POKE RUN
  - RENTON
  - SEWARD
  - SOMERSET
  - SPANGLER
  - ST BENEDICT
  - TRAFORD
  - TURNELTON
  - TURTLE CREEK
  - UNION
  - WEST FAIRFIELD
  - VANDERGRIFT
  - VINTONDALE
  - WILMERCING
  - WINDDER
- SICKVILE  
 REYLOC  
 WESTMONT**

## **SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Church Picnic & Men with Mixer Auction
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship

## **SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE**

Today .....	Adam Loucks
August 21 .....	Blairsville Brass
August 28 .....	Bob Klingensmith
September 4 .....	The Kerin Family