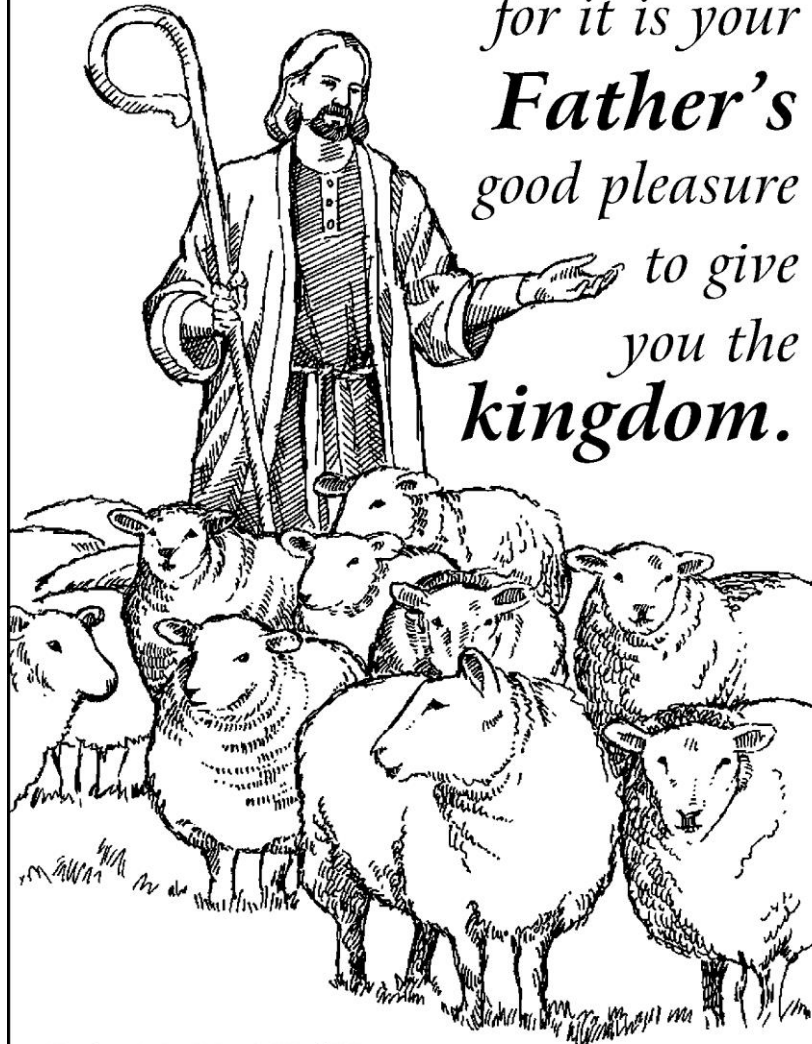


Do not be afraid, little flock,

*for it is your
Father's
good pleasure
to give
you the
kingdom.*



Luke 12:32, 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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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

August 7, 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

Call to Worship (*Psalm 33*)

Mary Gorslene, Liturgist

Leader: Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

**People: The Lord looks down from heaven;
he sees all humankind.**

**From where he sits enthroned he watches
all the inhabitants of the earth.**

Leader: Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,
to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine.

People: Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and shield.

Leader: Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

**People: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.**

*Hymn # 71

“Praise to the Lord”

*Prayer of Confession

**God of the ages, God of the old, old story, we hear of our ancestors
and are astounded by their faith. They trusted you, but we waver.
They believed your promise, but we cling to our own ideas.
Forgive us and free us from our fear, that we may follow with joy
wherever you may lead; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Special Music

Gene Artman

Gospel Lesson

Luke 12:32-40

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 21)

What is true faith?

It is not only a certain knowledge by which I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in his Word, but also a wholehearted trust which the Holy Spirit creates in me through the gospel, that, not only to others, but to me also God has given the forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness and salvation, out of sheer grace solely for the sake of Christ's saving work.

*Hymn # 501 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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

*Hymn # 407 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

*Benediction

*Postlude

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

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, Mary Gorslene; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Special Music, Gene Artman; Audio/Visual, Brylea Borbonus and Karen Kerin.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Russell Harvey by Sue Harvey and family.

GRANNIES will meet in Fellowship Hall Monday from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. There are tasks for everyone. All are invited.

THE COUNTY FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Those signing up for the first time will need proof of residence in the Blairsville borough.

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.

OUR CHURCH OPEN HOUSE (during the Community Knotweed Festival) is planned for **August 13th from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** Our doors will be open to visitors as we present a variety of memorabilia, genealogy, sanctuary tours, vintage Blairsville postcards, Grannies crafts, refreshments and more. **Setup will take place Friday, August 12th** throughout the day. Bring your friends from the community and come for a “walk through history” as we celebrate our first 200 years of ministry!

INDIANA MEALS ON WHEELS currently has an opening for a supervisory position. This is a part-time, paid position Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Responsibilities include overseeing entire operation of the meal program from the preparation to delivery as well as menu planning and food/supply ordering. Candidates must be a flexible, friendly individual willing to work with a wide range of volunteers on a daily basis. In addition, a knowledge of cooking and of the Indiana Boro, White Twp. Area would be helpful. Interested persons should contact Marty at the MOW kitchen 724-463-7676.

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 200th 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.

THE ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE has ordered custom keepsake ornaments of the church from Wendall August Forge. These will be available to purchase when they arrive. More details and cost information will be available at a later date.

COME AND JOIN us September 17th at 5:00 PM for the 200th Anniversary Catered Dinner. **RESERVATIONS will be taken for OUR CONGREGATION beginning MONDAY, AUGUST 22nd.** Reservations open to others beginning Monday, August 29th. Friday, September 2nd 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 11th. The 200th Anniversary History Presentation will follow at approximately 6:15 PM in the sanctuary. All are welcome, no reservations are necessary for the presentation.

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 15th. More information will be available in the coming weeks. You can also check out their website at www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m. Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m. Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	11:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution
Thursday	2:00 p.m. Stitching Group 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leader Meeting in Fellowship Hall
Friday	Set-up for the Open House
Saturday	10 a.m.-4 p.m. Open House (Knotweed Festival)
Sunday	10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Picnic & Men with Mixer Auction

SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE

Today	Gene Artman
August 14	Adam Loucks
August 21	Blairsville Brass
August 28	Bob Klingensmith
September 4	The Kerin Family

200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

OPEN HOUSE during the Community Knotweed Festival

Saturday, August 13 ~ 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

The Open House will include: a history display, Power Point of historic photographs, genealogy, collection of vintage Blairsville postcards, sanctuary tours, Grannies Crafts, refreshments and more.

CHURCH PICNIC & MEN WITH MIXERS AUCTION

Sunday, August 14 ~ 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.

200TH 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

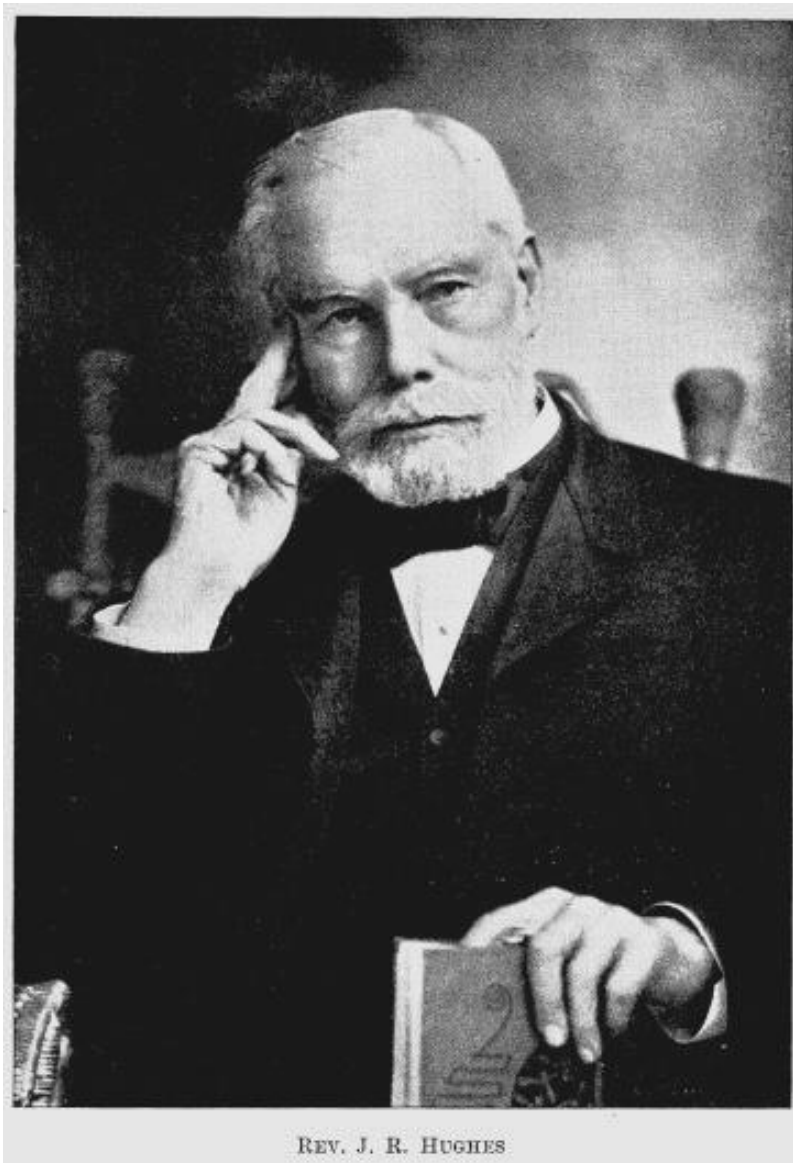
Sunday, September 18 ~ 11:00 AM

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.

200TH 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 200th 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!



Rev. J. R. Hughes was Principle of
the Ladies Seminary in 1865