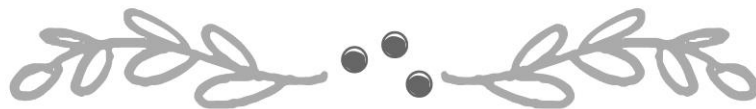


AND THE
peace of God,
WHICH TRANSCENDS
ALL UNDERSTANDING,
WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS
AND YOUR MINDS IN
Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 4:7, NIV



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

November 20, 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

“Thanksgiving Medley”

Arr. Edgar Horton

Handbell Choir, Vicky Westley, Director

Prelude

“Majesty”

Arr. Bach

Organ and Piano Duet

Introit

“Shout to the Lord”

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My Jesus my Savior, Lord, there is none like You.

All of my days I want to praise

The wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.

Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing;

Power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar

At the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands;

Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

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Call to Worship (*Psalm 100*)

Bobbi Monroe, Liturgist

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;

come into his presence with singing.

**People: Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

**People: For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

*Hymn # 721 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

*Prayer of Confession

Generous God, you give beyond measure, bringing forth abundance day by day. We confess our failure to acknowledge your goodness. We confuse our efforts with your providence. We conflate our deeds with your gifts. Forgive our sins. Grow in us thankful hearts, ready to praise your faithfulness. Form in us grateful spirits, quick to trust in your gracious care; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Anthem

"Jesus, Only Jesus"

Arr. McDonald

Chancel Choir, Cindy Borbonus, Director

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 4:4-9

Thanksgiving – Through the Memories and Eyes of.....

Tricia Baker and Mark Borbonus

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Remembering Church Members and Loved Ones

*Hymn # 342

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”

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 # 22

“Let All Things Now Living”

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

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

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.

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 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, Bobbi Monroe; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Handbell Choir Director, Vicky Westley.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Julie by Terry and Barb Brown.

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER will be served today immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to stay for a wonderful meal and great fellowship.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet in Fellowship Hall and share a light meal followed by a lesson and activity. Please see the schedule of dates and times below.

- Fifth Gathering..... Today – 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Sixth Gathering..... December 4 – 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Seventh Gathering.....December 11 – 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Unite with the Congregation..... December 18 – 11:00 a.m.

THE SESSION will meet Tuesday, November 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Meeting packets are available in the parlor.

BIBLE STUDY will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday in Fellowship Hall and on ZOOM. We continue through the gospel of John followed by a study in Revelation. We hope you will join us.

AN USHER SIGN-UP SHEET is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to participate in worship as an usher/greeter, please sign-up. There are dates available. Our deacons thank you.

OUR CHOIRS will not rehearse this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Rehearsals will resume Wednesday, November 30th.

THE 8TH ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS DRIVE is being held. We are receiving monetary donations for the purchase of specific size coats for kids in need. Please mark your donation clearly for "Coat Drive" and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. If you know of a family with children who may need a winter coat, please contact Janet Smith.

CUSTOM KEEPSAKE ORNAMENTS of the church from Wendall August Forge are available to purchase at a cost of \$12.00 each. Checks can be made payable to the church. Please see Linda George or contact the church office.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to run the audio/visual equipment in the balcony each Sunday morning. Those interested will be trained. Please see Jean Heberling or Doug Clayton if interested.

THE DEACONS are planning a CPR training class. They would like to know how many would be interested in attending before final plans are set. If you are interested in being a part of a CPR training, please contact Judy Trimble or the church office. Once we get an idea of class size, dates and times will be announced.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please have any announcements for next Sunday's bulletin to the office by Tuesday. Thank you.

OUR DEACONS will be assembling Christmas Boxes for families in need in our community. Each box will include menu items to prepare a Christmas dinner. Hams and potatoes will be provided by the deacons. Donations are being received and include: canned vegetables (no corn or green beans), canned fruit, Jello, boxed dessert mixes and canned sweet potatoes. If you are donating from your cupboard, please check expiration dates. A container is available at the back of the sanctuary to collect donations.

A VARIETY of Advent Devotionals will be available for you at the back of the sanctuary beginning the First Sunday of Advent, November 27th. These guides are meant to help you as you move through the season to the coming of the Christ Child.

OUR ANNUAL COOKIE WALK will return this year. Families in the congregation are asked to donate at least 4 dozen cookies, candies, or holiday treats (please no cupcakes, cakes, or pies) for our Holiday Cookie Sale to be held Saturday, December 3rd, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. (*note the time change*) in the Fellowship Hall. Please invite your fellow bakers, family, friends, groups or organizations to participate. All baked goods may be dropped off in a disposable container on Friday, December 2nd from 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

Also, volunteers are needed to help with the Cookie Walk on December 3rd. If you have any questions or would like to help, contact Joan Moran, Erica Ash or the church office. A sign-up sheet is available in the back of the sanctuary. Please let us know what kind of cookie you will be donating so we don't have too many duplicates!



DURING THE HOLIDAYS, who has time to bake dozens of different cookies? No need, just make your best cookies and shop for the rest! The congregation and community are invited to purchase delicious holiday treats at the Annual Holiday Cookie Walk for gift giving, holiday parties, etc. on Saturday, December 3rd from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. (*note the time change*) Cookies are \$8.00/pound and all proceeds will benefit “Share the Joy.”

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE WEEK INCLUDE:

Friends of our church who are unable to be with us this morning

Our pastor and church leaders

Our Rwanda Partner – the Gitarama Presbyterian Church

Compassion child: Samuel Mutabazi

Our country and government leaders

Students of the Week:

David Kerin and Eli Borbonus

November Leaders:

Elders: Gene Artman and Rick Shoemaker

Deacons: Elizabeth Bruner and Vicky Doty

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion
	12:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Dinner
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study meets
	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meets
Thursday		Happy Thanksgiving!
		Office Closed
Friday		Office Closed
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Advent-Worship