



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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April 2, 2023 ~ 11:00 AM

Palm Sunday

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

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Arr. Boone

Call to Worship (*Psalms 118*)

Mary Anzelone, Liturgist

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

**People: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.**

Leader: This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.

**People: I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**People: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!**

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.

**People: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.**

*Hymn # 265 “All Glory, Laud and Honor”
Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer (*debt...and debtors...*)
Choral Amen
Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word
Offertory
*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication
*Hymn # 268 “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!”
*Benediction
*Choral Response
*Postlude “Crown Him with Many Crowns” Arr. Anderson
*(*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 copy of our newsletter, *Uplift* 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 Anzelone; Special Music, The Blairsville Brass; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin and Usher, Alan Lowman.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING offering will be received today. OGHS funds enable the church to share God’s love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will gather Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for their monthly meeting.

THE HANDBELL CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. The choir is currently in need of additional ringers. We welcome any seasoned ringers and any new to handbell ringing. Contact Vicky Westley, director for more information.

OUR CHANCEL CHOIR will rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. New voices are always welcome! If you are interested in singing in the choir or need more information, please see Cindy Borbonus.

WE WILL GATHER to share a Seder Meal Maundy Thursday, April 6th beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. A Seder is a traditional Jewish Passover meal that celebrates God's deliverance from bondage. Each food served helps to tell the story. Please let us know if you plan to attend by completing the bulletin insert.

THE COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCH will be held at SS Simon & Jude Church Wednesday at 12:00 noon. Rev. John Smaligo will share the message followed by a soup and sandwich luncheon.

A COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE will be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 7th. St. Peter's Episcopal Church will host the community and Collin McKnight will share the message. All are welcome.

THE SEASON OF LENT & EASTER:

Wednesdays.....	Lenten Lunches, 12:00 pm
Thursday, April 6	Maundy Thursday Seder Meal and Communion in Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm
Friday, April 7	Community Good Friday Worship St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 7:00 pm
Sunday, April 9	Early Worship & Communion, 8:00 am Easter Breakfast, 9:00 am Easter Worship & Communion, 11:00 am

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	11:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Monday Music Club Meeting (sanctuary)
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Community Lenten Service
	6:00 p.m.	Seder Set-Up
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Seder & Communion
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Community Service
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Early Worship & Communion
	9:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	11:00 a.m.	Easter Worship & Communion