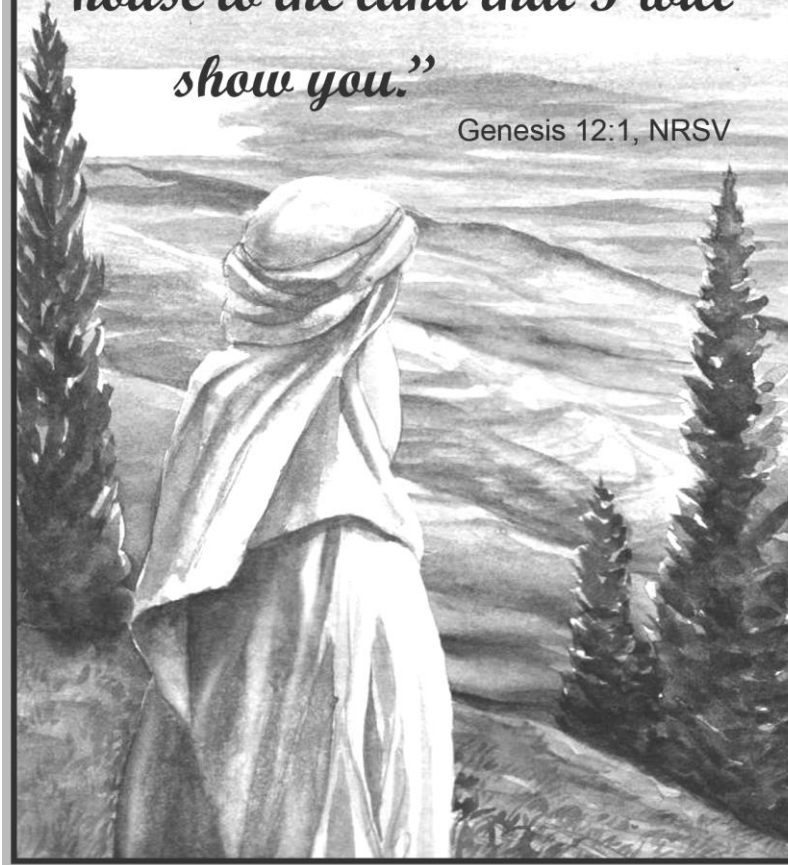


*“Go from your country and
your kindred and your father’s
house to the land that I will
show you.”*

Genesis 12:1, 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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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

June 11, 2023 ~ 10:00 a.m.

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

“As the Deer”

Arr. J. Raney

Betsy Holby, flautist – Cindy Borbonus, pianist

Call to Worship (*Psalm 33*)

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

People: Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

Leader: For the word of the Lord is upright,

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

People: He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Leader: The counsel of the Lord stands forever,

the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

People: Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord,

the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

*Hymn # 71 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

*Prayer of Confession

Great Physician, we who kneel before you are unwell. We are afflicted with twin illnesses – pride, which insists we have no need of you, and shame, which makes us afraid to approach you, loath to ask for help. If only you would touch us, Lord, we would be made well. Forgive us, O God, and strengthen us to hope for your healing, to follow where you lead, and to lean upon your mercy, by which we may live in righteousness.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 12:1-9

Special Music

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Arr. J. Raney

Betsy Holby, flautist – Cindy Borbonus, pianist

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Sermon

Rev. Timothy Monroe

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

(A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

*Hymn Insert

“He Touched Me”

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer *(debt...and debtors...)*

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 96

“O for a Thousand Tongues”

*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 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, Jean Heberling; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Guest Organist, Pam Irwin; Guest Musician, Betsy Holby; Usher, Alan Lowman.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in the sanctuary this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of the Stuchal family by Gary and Barri Stuchal.

WE HOST guest musicians that provide Special Music during worship throughout the summer months. If you or someone you know would like to share a musical talent for our worship service, please see Cindy Borbonus or contact the church office.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group works on personal projects and fellowships. If you enjoy needlework, you're invited to bring a project you're working on and join the group.

VOLUNTEERS to assist during the worship service are always needed. There are a variety of ways you can become involved as an assistant. Call the office if interested.

Usher/Greeter—welcome those coming in for worship and hand them a bulletin; answer questions; and bring the offering plate forward.

Liturgist—assist the minister, from the pulpit, by leading the Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession and reading the first scripture

Audio-Visual Tech—after training, take your turn in rotation to run the sound and slides from the balcony during worship, and live-stream the service for those at home.

THE BALL BROTHERS are engaged in their Farewell Tour. We are encouraging you to attend a concert of praise being offered in our area: **Friday, July 21** at 7:00 p.m. in Memorial Baptist Church, 7154 Rt. 403 South, Dilltown, PA (814) 446-5019.

SUMMER IS COMING and camps are preparing for this season! There are three local camps supported by local presbyteries. Brochures are available at the back of the sanctuary. Also, funding is available to offset some of the cost for campers. Please call the office for details.

1—Camp Lambec is supported by the Camping Association of the Presbyteries of Northwestern Pennsylvania. It is located on 92 acres with beachfront access to Lake Erie.

2—Pine Springs Camp is a ministry of the Washington (PA) and Redstone (PA) Presbyteries. This year Pine Springs Camp celebrates a 75-year legacy. Exciting things are planned!

3—Crestfield Camp & Conference Center is supported by the Pittsburgh Presbytery. It is a 59 acres site in Slippery Rock, PA. For more information on Crestfield Camp, check out their website at crestfieldcc.org.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Blairsville Brass Rehearsal
Friday	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
		<i>Father's Day</i>