

*Praise the
LORD!
Sing to the
LORD
a new song.*



Psalm 149.1

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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September 10, 2023 ~ 11:00 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

Organ and Piano Duet

Introit

“Sing Praise to the Father”

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**Sing praise to the Father, Creator and King,
Whose mercy has taught us a new song to sing;
Who made us, and loved us tho' rebels and lost,
And planned our redemption at infinite cost.
Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul,
For the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole;
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim,
And worship before him – the Lord is his name!**

Call to Worship (*Psalm 149*)

Mary Anzelone, Liturgist

Leader: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

**People: Let Israel be glad in its Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.**

Leader: Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

**People: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with victory.**

Leader: Let the faithful exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their couches.

**People: Let the high praises of God be in their throats
to execute on them the judgement decreed.**

This is glory for all his faithful ones. Praise the Lord!

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 # 603 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*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 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; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Irwin; Usher, Alan Lowman.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by the Wolford family.

THE GRANNIES will gather in Fellowship Hall Monday at 9:00 a.m. and will work until 12:00 noon. There are a variety of tasks for everyone. All are welcome.

THE BLAIRSVILLE MINISTERIUM will meet Monday at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude Parish.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday from 10:30 – 12:00 noon. Those signing up for the first time should bring proof of residence in the Blairsville borough.

FIRST SATURDAY volunteers will meet Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This will be an informational, brainstorming, organizational meeting. If you are interested in being a children's ministry volunteer, please join the group and bring your ideas.

BELL CHOIR rehearsal will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. We need 1 or 2 more ringers to complete our 2-octave choir and 3 or 4 more ringers to be able to play our 3-octave music. If you have ever thought of giving handbells a try, please contact Vicky Westley. We can plan a time to meet so you can "test it out" before committing to ringing with the Bell Choir.

OUR CHANCEL CHOIR rehearsal will be held Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. We would love to have new voices join us in song! If you are interested in singing with the choir, please see Cindy Borbonus. All are welcome!

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group works on personal projects and enjoys fellowship. You are invited to bring a project you're working on and join the group.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held immediately following worship Sunday, September 24th to accept the report of the Nominating Committee and the 2024 Pastoral Terms of Call.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will soon begin to review information for the 2024 church budget. Committee chairs are asked to begin planning for next year and consider your financial needs. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact the church office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! The Congregational Fellowship Committee is planning a Soup & Sandwich Luncheon for Sunday, October 15th following worship. We will gather around tables in Fellowship Hall for a time of refreshment and fellowship. Lunch will be provided by the committee. Those attending are asked to bring a dessert. The day will also include “Men with Mixers” with proceeds supporting our Coats for Kids outreach. Watch the back of the sanctuary for a sign-up sheet for the men who would like to participate. Please contact Joan Moran or Linda George for more information.

THE WORK of the Nominating Committee is some of the most important in the life of the church. Those serving have the responsibility to bring before the congregation the names of those who will potentially serve as elders and deacons. Please be in prayer for them as they discern God’s will for our church’s leadership. Also be in prayer for those individuals who will be asked to serve.

The Nominating Committee includes:

Kim McKinney-chair, Gene Artman-elder, Chris Antis-deacon, Elaine Jellison, Barb Brown, Lynette Borbonus, Linda George and Pastor Monroe. Willa Shoemaker and Diana Messenger are the alternates.

THE 9TH ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS DRIVE has begun. 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.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in Clarksburg will host a Movie Night September 17th at 6:00 p.m. You are cordially invited to join them in their sanctuary to watch the presentation of the movie “The Jesus Revolution.” This is a true story of a national spiritual awakening in the early 1970’s and its origins within a community of teenage hippies in Southern California. The movie is rated PG-13 and is approximately two hours long.

THE MONDAY MUSIC CLUB will present a Disney Celebration Monday, September 18th in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 per person and proceeds will benefit their scholarship fund. If you are interested in attending, please see Cindy Borbonus or another club member as seating is limited.

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in Indiana will serve a Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, September 23rd from 4:00-7:00 p.m. The meal includes spaghetti, meatball, dinner roll, salad, dessert and beverage. Costs are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12 and children 4 years and under are free. Takeouts will be available. Proceeds will support their kitchen renovation project.

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Communion
	1:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet in Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Ministerium Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Monday Music Club rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Meeting
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
	6:00 p.m.	“First Saturday” Meeting
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Blairsville Brass Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Leader Meeting
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Monday Music Club Setup and Dress Rehearsal