THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE Community Lenten Service Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Words of Welcome

Liturgist, Jean Heberling

Prelude

"May Jesus Christ Be Praised" Arr. Berry/Bennett

Call to Worship

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

People: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

Lord, who could stand?

Leader: But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

People: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

Leader: My soul waits for the Lord more than those

who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

People: O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

*Hymn #348,

"Softly and Tenderly"

God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. We are quick to quarrel and condemn and slow to receive your gift of grace. We boast about our own success and deny our suffering Savior. Forgive us, by your steadfast love. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- *Assurance of Pardon
- *Sharing of the Peace

Musical Selection "He Died for Us"

Arr. Innes & Fasig
Luke 15:11-32

Scripture Lesson

Father Dino Laude

Closing Prayer

*Hymn # 371, "Our Father, We Have Wandered"

- *Blessing of the Meal
- *Benediction
- *Postlude

Message

(*All who are able, please stand)

We thank you for taking part in this time of worship on your Lenten journey.

We thank:

Cindy Borbonus and Pam Irwin for sharing their musical gifts Father Laude for his proclamation of the Word Those who have prepared our lunch

A soup and sandwich lunch has been prepared for you. There is a basket for donations in Fellowship Hall, all of which will be given to the Ministerium for benevolent work in our community.

Our Community Lenten Series continues next week as we gather at Black Lick Methodist Church on Wednesday, March 20th. Jim Kendall will offer the message and a luncheon will follow.

A Community Good Friday Service will be held March 29th at 7:00 p.m. at Blairsville Methodist Church. Mark Ferlin will share the message. All are welcome.

^{*}Prayer of Confession (in unison)