



THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

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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December 14, 2025 ~ 11:00 AM

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting

Erica Ash

*Hymn

“Joy to the World”

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Young Disciples

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1:39-56

Sermon

“Joy In the Promise”

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Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Benediction

Strategic Planning Presentation (Part 2)

(*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 Advent Reader, Erica Ash; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Lewis; Ushers, Bob and Charlotte Cosharek, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Bob Cosharek.

TODAY, the Strategic Planning Committee will share the second of two presentations. Our worship service will be modified to a half hour followed immediately by a half hour Strategic Planning Presentation.

WE WILL GATHER in Fellowship Hall for a catered luncheon and a Security Presentation today immediately following the Strategic Planning Presentation. Please plan to join us in Fellowship Hall.

FOLLOWING WORSHIP, you will have the opportunity to have your blood pressure checked. Please see Susie Cotti.

THE KIDS CLOSET will be open to the public Monday from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Volunteers are welcome to help with sorting donation items and or appointments.

THE ELDERS will gather for a Session meeting Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Packets for the meeting can be picked up in the parlor.

BIBLE STUDY will meet Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Please contact the church office if you would like to join from home.

OUR CHANCEL CHOIR will rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. New voices are always welcome. For more information, see Cindy Borbonus.

THE MEN'S BREAKFAST is Saturday at 9:00 a.m. We'll gather at Dean's Diner for a time of food and fellowship. Hope to see you there.

NEXT SUNDAY, our worship service will be back to normal. Thank you for your patience as we shared the work of the Strategic Planning Committee.

WE HOPE you will join us Christmas Eve at 7:00 p.m. for a service of lessons and carols including communion and candlelight. Special music will also be shared during the service. It will be a wonderful evening to be with your church family as we welcome the Christ Child!

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday

Third Sunday of Advent

- 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Strategic Planning Presentation
- 12:00 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks
- 12:00 p.m. Catered Luncheon & Security Presentation

Monday

- 5:00 p.m. Kid's Closet Open to the Community
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. Session Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Staff Reviews
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

- 2:00 p.m. Stitching Group meet in the Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal

Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

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