



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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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Trinity Chimes

Prelude

Welcome

Terry Brown, Liturgist

Announcements

Opening Prayer

*Hymn

"Near the Cross"

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*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Good and gracious God, we come before you ready and willing to confess the many ways we have sinned against you and our neighbor. Forgive us when we fail to love you or those around us as you command. Forgive us for the careless words we speak. We long to be restored from all our unrighteousness. Help us to walk more closely in your ways. AMEN.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

Young Disciples

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 3:3-14

*Hymn

"I Surrender All"

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Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 53:3-5

Sermon

"The Suffering Road"

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Response of Faith

(The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Special Music

"I Asked the Lord"

Arr. Lange/Duncan

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word
Offering

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

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*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, Terry Brown; Organist, Pam Lewis; Ushers, Jean Heberling and Susie Cotti, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Dennis Gould.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in honor of Emily Harkleroad by great grandma Harvey and Aunt Susie.

CPR TRAINING will be held today at 2:00 p.m. If you would like to attend the training, 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. Donations of new or gently used items are being accepted.

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

BIBLE STUDY will be held Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. ZOOM access is available to those who would like to participate from home. Please call the church office for more information.

EACH WEDNESDAY through Lent, we will gather at a community church at 12:00 noon for a Lenten Service followed by a soup and sandwich luncheon. The 2026 schedule is listed in your bulletin.

THE STITCHING GROUP meets Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church parlor. If you enjoy needle work and would like some fellowship as you stitch, you are welcome. Bring a project you're working on and plan to stay until about 4:00 p.m.

A MOVIE NIGHT will be offered to our church family and the community. The movie "Jonah", a production of Sight & Sound Theaters will be shown in Fellowship Hall Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Snacks will be provided. A basket will be available to receive donations to offset the cost.

CALLING ALL MEN! We will meet at Dean's Diner Saturday at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING "fish banks" are available to you in the front pew. Use your banks daily to collect your loose change. We will receive the OGHS offering and filled banks Easter Sunday, April 5th.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available to you at the back of the sanctuary. We thank all those from our church who wrote a devotion and Kathy Bella who created the cover artwork.

THE 2026 FLOWER CHART is hanging in the hallway by the office. Sunday flowers have increased in cost to \$30 per arrangement. Please take time to sign up for your choice of dates.

ACTIVITY BAGS have been prepared for our Young Disciples. Children are invited to pick one up on their way into worship. At the end of the service, please return your bag to the back of the sanctuary so it can be prepared for the following week.

GRANDMA'S GIFTS OF LOVE have set up a display of Easter items in the parlor. All items are available for purchase. Proceeds will support the group's mission of supplying handmade items to those in need. If you have any questions, please see Nancy Boone.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY, March 29

Worship 10:00 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 2

Dinner 6:00 PM

Service of Darkness 7:00 PM

Fellowship Hall

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5

Sunrise Worship 7:00 AM - Worship 10:00 AM

Breakfast 8:15 AM

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHEONS

March 18 – noon - Blairsville Methodist - Deacon Mark Ferlin

March 25 – noon - Presbyterian - Pastor Susan O’Shaughnessy

April 1 – noon - SS Simon & Jude Church - Pastor John Manon

GOOD FRIDAY - April 3 – 7 PM - Episcopal Church – Pastor John Manon

SAVE THE DATES!! The Christian Education Committee met and set the dates for this year’s Vacation Bible School, July 24, 25 26. We’re looking forward to another year of fun and learning! Please watch your bulletins for more information and how you might get involved.

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	2:00 a.m.	CPR Training in Fellowship Hall
Monday	5:00 p.m.	Kid’s Closet Open
	6:00 p.m.	Monday Music Club in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Community Lenten Lunch
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Square Dancing in Fellowship Hall
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast at Dean’s Diner
	1:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
	7:00 p.m.	Movie Night – “Jonah”
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship