



**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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April 26, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Trinity Chimes*

Welcome

Tricia Baker, Liturgist

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Prelude Video

*"Sanctuary"*

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, people of God, for he meets us  
this very moment.

**People: We come, ready to receive God's love and grace.**

Leader: Lift your eyes, your voices, your hopes.

**People: We lift them to God who renews and restores.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord with joy.

**People: For God is here and he is faithful.**

\*Hymn

*"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

# 500

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and your commands in a myriad of ways. We have not loved as you have loved us. We often lean on our own strength, power and preference instead of trusting the leading of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us. Turn us once again to your ways. Renew what needs to be fixed within us, so we may walk in your ways and be your light in this world. AMEN.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

Young Disciples

Special Music

*"Christ Is the Answer"*

By Bob Frick

## **DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

Scripture Lessons

Colossians 3:15-17

Psalm 100

Hymn

*"Blessed Assurance"*

# 426

Sermon

*"Enter His Gates With Joy"*

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## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD**

\*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in the God of resurrection, who brings life out of death and hope out of despair.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who conquered sin, shattered darkness, and opened the way to eternal life.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, our Advocate and Guide, who empowers us to live as Easter people – courageous, joyful, and free.**

**We believe the Church is called to proclaim good news, to embody Christ's love, and to join God's work of renewal in the world.**

**Christ is risen; Christ is Lord; Christ will come again.**

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn

*"He Has Made Me Glad"*

# 657

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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, Tricia Baker; Organist, Pam Lewis; Ushers, Bob and Charlotte Cosharek, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; Building and Grounds, Kim McKinney.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship is given to the glory of God and in memory of mother, Clara Graham Savage by Karen Ruda.

THE DEACONS will offer to check blood pressures after worship this morning. Please see Susie Cotti.

GRANDMA'S GIFTS OF LOVE will meet Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in the sewing room on the second floor of the Christian Ed wing. There are tasks for everyone. All are welcome.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. to review investment accounts information.

BIBLE STUDY will meet 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.

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 to join the group. Bring a project you're working on and plan to stay until about 4:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. Please take time this week to prepare to receive and share the sacrament.

THE CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE will meet for a brief meeting following worship today.

OUR FIRST GATHERING at Iron Alley Saloon was a success. Thank you to everyone who came out for some good food and fellowship. A big thank you to Erica and Ellen for organizing the evening.

BLAIRSVILLE'S FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL is scheduled for Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. around the gazebo. Our church will participate with a table of information, games and activities. For more information, see Dave or Ronna Aikins.

WE WILL HOST Meet Your Borough Officials Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall. Coffee and donuts will be provided. The community is invited to attend.

### **REGULAR SCHEDULE:**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m. Worship
	11:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks
	11:00 a.m. Congregational Fellowship Meeting
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m. Grandma's Gifts of Love
	6:30 p.m. Monday Music Club Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 a.m. Bible Study
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 p.m. Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m. Bible Study
	6:30 p.m. Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 p.m. Square Dancing
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 a.m. Meet the Boro Officials in Fellowship Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m. Worship and Communion
	2:00 p.m. Monday Music Club Set-up