



**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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May 10, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Trinity Chimes*

Welcome

Jean Heberling, Liturgist

Announcements

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

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\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have hurried past your presence, trusted our own strength, and have spoken words that have not reflected your grace. Forgive us for the ways we have wounded others, for the good we have left undone, and for the things that keep us from fully following your call. Turn us again toward your path of righteousness, and shape us into people who reflect your love in all we say and do. AMEN.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

Young Disciples

\*Hymn

*"Rock of Ages"*

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**DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 49:13-16

2 Timothy 1:3-7

John 19:25-27

Special Music

*"M-O-T-H-E-R"*

By Johnson/Morse

Sermon

*"Love That Forms Us"*

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## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Affirmation 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.**

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Mother's Day Litany

L: Today we give thanks for mothers and mother-figures –  
for those who carried us, nurtured us, and taught us love.

**P: We thank God for the women who formed us with grace,  
courage, and compassion.**

L: For mothers who showed us faith by their prayers,  
strength by their sacrifices,  
and hope by their steadfast presence.

**P: Their love has shaped our lives and  
revealed the heart of God.**

L: For those who mothered us by birth, by adoption, by choice,  
or by calling – women who stood beside us, guided us,  
and believed in us.

**P: We honor their wisdom, their patience,  
and their faithful care.**

L: For mothers who now rest in God's eternal light,  
whose memory still warms our hearts  
and steadies our steps.

**P: We give thanks for their legacy of love  
that continues to form us.**

L: For those who longed to be mothers, for those who grieve  
today, and for those whose relationships with motherhood  
are complicated – we hold space with tenderness and  
compassion.

**P: God of comfort, surround them with peace and gentle mercy.**

L: As we celebrate this day, may we remember  
that every act of nurturing love  
reflects Your own lovingkindness.

**P: Shape us, O God, that we may love  
with the same generosity we have received.**

L: Bless all who mother in Your name – in homes, in churches,  
in communities, and in quiet unseen ways.

**P: May Your Spirit strengthen them, sustain them,  
and fill them with joy.**

**All: Thanks be to God for the gift of a mother's love –  
a love that forms us, guides us, and leads us  
ever closer to You. AMEN.**

\*Hymn

*"God Be with You"*

# 716

\*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, Jean Heberling; Organist, Pam Lewis; Ushers, Linda George, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; Building and Grounds, Bob Cosharek.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all the women of the church who nurture us in our faith!

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory and honor of moms past and present in our families and to honor women in our church community.

GRANDMAS GIFTS OF LOVE will meet Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in the sewing room. There are tasks for everyone. All are welcome.

THE BLAIRSVILLE AREA MINISTERIUM will gather at SS Simon & Jude Church Monday at 11:00 a.m. for their monthly meeting.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE will meet Monday at 6:00 p.m. If you would like more information, please see Stacy or Todd Faulk.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Please be aware of the added traffic when visiting the church.

A PRESBYTERY MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Gilgal Presbyterian Church.

BIBLE STUDY will resume 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 in Bible Study 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.

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 or to volunteer, see Dave or Ronna Aikins.

WE'RE PLANNING ANOTHER BALLGAME OUTING! The church family and friends are invited to a Pittsburgh Pirate baseball game on Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. Please use the bottom of the bulletin insert to make your reservations. They are due to the church office by Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Payment with your reservation is appreciated. Make checks payable to the church. Please see Pastor John with any questions or call the church office, 724-459-7991.

### **REGULAR SCHEDULE:**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship - <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Grandma's Gifts of Love
	11:00 a.m.	Blairsville Area Ministerium Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Christian Education Committee Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Meet
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:30 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
	6:30 p.m.	Presbytery Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meets
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Leader Meeting
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Square Dancing
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast at Dean's Diner
	12:00 p.m.	Food Truck Festival
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Worship – Ascension Sunday
	11:00 a.m.	Blood Pressure Checks