

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

July 12, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Announcements

Song of Praise

"VICTORY IN JESUS"

The Band Steele

**I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.**

CHORUS

**O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever!
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood;
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.
I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing,
How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, Come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.
I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory,
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea,
About the angels singing and the old redemption story
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.**

***Call to Confession**

God meets us in the real places – in our hurried thoughts, in our strained relationships, in our quiet fears, and in our honest longings. God invites us to breathe, to slow down, and to be real about our lives. So, we come to the time of confession, filled with assurance that God's grace is stronger than our failures, that his love can reshape what is broken, and that his mercy can make us new. Let us join our voices in the Prayer of Confession.

***Prayer of Confession (*unison*)**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved as you love. We have hurried past people in need, spoken unrighteous words, and have held onto things you call us to release. We have trusted our own strength and wisdom rather than the Holy Spirit's leading. Forgive us. Shower us once again by your grace. Shape our lives to your ways. In Christ's name we pray. AMEN.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news – God's mercy is deeper than any and all of our sins. Christ's love is stronger than any of our transgressions. Christ meets us with grace, lifts us from our burdens, and speaks renewal over our lives. Know this beyond any doubt – In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and set free. AMEN.

***Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Sharing of the Peace

Young Disciples

Song of Reflection

"GOODNESS OF GOD"

Jenn Johnson

Scripture Lessons

Genesis 1:1-31; Psalm 19:1-4

Sermon

"The Wonder of Creation"

Rev. John Manon

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

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.

(The Apostles' Creed)

Song of Praise

"ALL MY HOPE IS IN JESUS"

David Crowder

**I've been held by the Savior, I've felt fire from above;
I've been down to the river, I ain't the same a prodigal returned.**

CHORUS

**All my hope is in Jesus, Thank God that yesterday's gone;
All my sins are forgiven, I've been washed by the blood.**

**I'm no stranger to prison, I've worn shackles and chains;
But I've been freed and forgiven and I'm not going back I'll never be the same.
There's a kind of thing that just breaks a man, break him down to his knees.
God, I've been broken more than a time or two
Yes, Lord, then He picked me up and showed me what it means to be a man.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Song of Praise

"AMAZING GRACE MY CHAINS ARE GONE"

Chris Tomlin

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me,
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved,
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

CHORUS

**My chains are gone, I've been set free; my God my Savior has ransomed me;
And like a flood His mercy rains, unending love amazing grace.**

**The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine,
But God who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine
You are forever mine.**

Closing Prayer

*(*All those who are able, please stand)*

YOUR OFFERINGS can be placed in the designated basket.

GRANDMA'S 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.

KID'S MEALS will be distributed to families from Fellowship Hall Monday and Thursday from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. We are the host site for this program. Volunteers are provided by The Well, Faith Forward and Summit Church.

THE FOOD BANK will distribute groceries from Fellowship Hall Tuesday morning from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. When visiting the church, please be aware of the additional traffic.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

BIBLE STUDY will meet Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Zoom access is available to those who would like to join a study from home. Please call the church office for more information.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE will meet Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please keep this group in your prayers as they discern God's will for our future leaders.

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.

THE JULY MEN'S BREAKFAST will be held Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at Dean's Diner. Come and join other men for a time of food and fellowship. All are welcome.

IT WILL SOON BE TIME for Vacation Bible School! We kick off Friday, July 24th from 5:30 – 8:00 PM and continue Saturday, July 25th and conclude Sunday, July 26th at 10:00 AM. Our theme is "Wild About Jesus." There is a lot of fun and learning planned. Please see Stacy Faulk if you are interested in helping out this year. Flyers and registration forms are available at the back of the sanctuary. Be sure to pick one up and share with your friends. It's gonna be a wild time!

GRANDMA'S GIFTS OF LOVE are holding a Quilt Raffle. The quilt is displayed at the back of the sanctuary. Please see a granny or contact the church office to get your tickets. A winner will be drawn in early September. Proceeds will support the group's mission of outreach to our church and the community.

THE 18TH ANNUAL INDIANA COUNTY BACK TO SCHOOL BASH will be held August 15, 2026. Their goal is to provide much needed school supplies to the children of Indiana County's low-income families. We will begin collecting supplies to support this endeavor. A list of items they are requesting includes: #2 pencils-8 packs, single subject spiral notebooks, pens-8 or 10 packs, colored pencils-24 packs, and 2 pocket folders. A container is located at the back of the sanctuary for donations. We will be receiving donations through Sunday, July 19th.

JILL'S OFFICE HOURS have changed. The office will be open 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. Pastor John is in the office Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon.

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship at Pine Ridge Park
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grandma's Gifts of Love
	3:30 p.m.	Children's Food Distribution
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Meet
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
	6:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	11:00 a.m.	Nominating Committee Meeting
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	3:30 p.m.	Children's Food Distribution
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast at Dean's Diner
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship

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