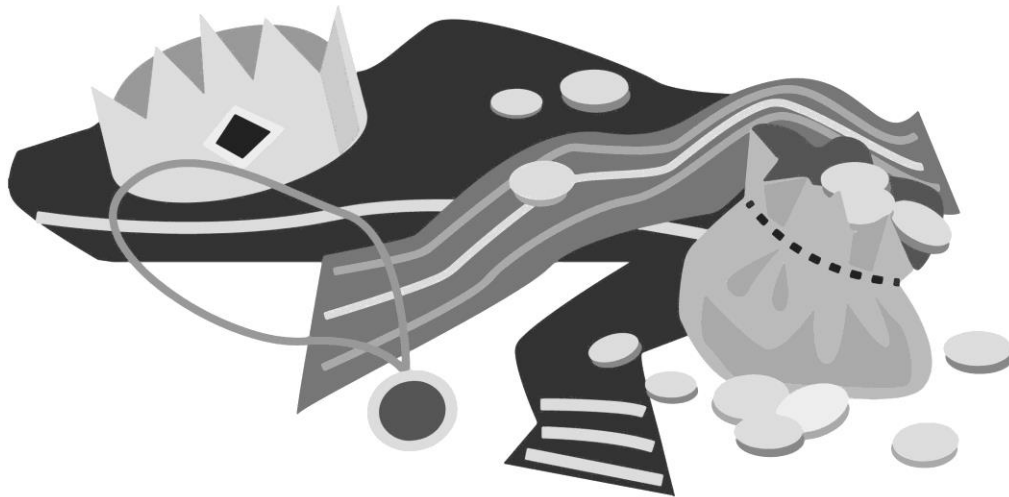


# “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

Mark 10:17



## **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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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

October 13, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

Words of Greeting

Mary Anzelone, Liturgist

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Sharing of Opportunities, Joys and Concerns

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Prelude

“Softly and Tenderly”

Arr. Berry/Bennett

Introit # 138

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

**Holy God, we praise your name,**

**Lord of all, we bow before you;**

**all on earth your scepter claim,**

**all in heaven above adore you;**

**infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.**

Call to Worship (*Psalm 136*)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,

**People: For God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: O give thanks to the God of gods,

**People: For God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

**People: For God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn # 2

“O Worship the King”

\*Prayer of Confession

**Gracious and merciful God, we often wonder what we must do to be right with you. The gospel tells us what you have done for us in Jesus Christ to make us right with you. We establish rules and try to follow them to win your love. You call us to trust in your grace and promises in Jesus Christ. We strive for security by piling up the things of this life. Jesus says, “Come, follow me.” Lord, forgive**

**our self-centeredness that seeks our well-being while we ignore the needs of others. Forgive our relying on ourselves rather than accepting fully Jesus's call to discipleship. Help us to seek your kingdom and righteousness first in our lives. Through Jesus Christ, amen.**

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

**L: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,**

**P: That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.**

**L: Children of God, hear and believe the good news:**

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

**Children's Message**

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

**Anthem**

**"If My People"**

**By Wyrzten**

**Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Director**

**Gospel Lesson**

**Mark 10:17-31**

**Sermon**

**"Heavenly vs. Earthly Riches, What's in Your Wallet?"**

**Jonathan Cunkelman**

## **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.**

\*Hymn # 30                    “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer (*debt...and debtors...*)

Choral Amen

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Presentation of the Offering

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn # 109                    “O, How I Love Jesus”

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response

\*Postlude

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

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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 Guest Speaker, Jonathan Cunkelman; Liturgist, Mary Anzelone; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Lewis; Audio/Visual, Doug Clayton and Brennan Borbonus; Ushers, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Gene Artman.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Charles McKinney by Ron and Kim McKinney.

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, we welcome our new pastor, Rev. John Manon. A welcome picnic luncheon will be held following the service in Fellowship Hall. The congregation is asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Refreshment and fellowship before worship will not be held due to the picnic luncheon. We hope you will plan to be here and stay for the celebration!

GRANNIES will meet Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in the Granny Room located on the second floor of the Christian Ed wing. There are tasks for everyone. All are welcome.

THE BLAIRSVILLE AREA MINISTERIUM will meet Monday at 11:00 a.m. at SS Simon and Jude Catholic Church.

A SESSION MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Packets for the meeting can be picked up in the parlor.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS will be different this week. Jill will be in the office Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and will be out Monday and Thursday. You may call and leave a message, 724-459-7991.

OUR HANDBELL CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Room. Our bell choir is looking for new ringers. If you would like to try ringing a bell, contact Vicky Westley for more information.

OUR CHANCEL CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The Chancel Choir is also looking for new members. The only requirement is to enjoy singing. Please see Cindy for more information.

THE STITCHING GROUP will meet Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in the parlor. This group works on personal projects and fellowships.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will soon begin to review information for the 2025 church budget. Committee chairs are asked to begin planning for next year and consider your financial needs. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact the church office.

THE DEACONS really need help this year to fill the Thanksgiving baskets! Each year the deacons work with the school and other organizations to help families during the holidays. Boxes are filled with all the ingredients to make a Thanksgiving meal. Foods we are collecting during October include: instant mashed potatoes, stuffing mix, applesauce, Jello/Pudding cups, cornbread mix and canned vegetables. Annually the local school district has a food drive and donates it to our Deacon's pantry. Much of this food is used to fill our Thanksgiving baskets. However with the consolidation of schools into the River Valley School District it is only fair to stagger the collected food between our two towns. This year the collected food will be given to a charity in Saltsburg.

THE DEACON'S KIDS CLOSET is available to families in the River Valley School District and Blairsville area. If you know of a family in need, ask them to call the church office to schedule an appointment. Lynnette, Lyndsay and the deacons work diligently to keep the closet neat, orderly and stocked for each family that visits. Donations for the Kids Closet of sizes from newborn to young adult are always welcomed. If you have any questions, please see a deacon or call the church office.

Thank you to my church family for your visits, cards, meals and most of all your prayers. I appreciate all you have done for me. Thank you for your kindness. Blessings to you all.

Love, Emma Riggi

THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COATS-FOR-KIDS DRIVE has begun. We are receiving monetary donations for the purchase of specific size coats for kids in need. Please mark your donation clearly for "Coat Drive" and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. A BIG thank you to Nancy Boone for knitting a variety of hats and scarves to compliment the coats. If you know of a family with children who may need a winter coat, please contact Janet Smith.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 4 will hold their Chili & Soup Cookoff Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Plan to stay for some delicious soup or chili and support the Boy Scouts.

THE BOY SCOUTS are also starting the Christmas Evergreen Fundraiser. Orders will be taken starting now until November 3<sup>rd</sup>. For more information, please see a boy scout, Doug Clayton or the website: <https://sherwoodfundraiser.com/bsatroop1004blairsvillepa>

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UPDATE: Bible study and Sunday School will be discussed with the new pastor once he is moved in and established. Watch your bulletins and newsletters for more information.

DONATIONS of coupons for veterans continue to be received. A box is located at the back of the sanctuary for collection. Thank you to all who continue to support this program.

THE WOMEN OF FAITH of Blairsville First Methodist Church are having a Harvest Festival Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. The salad bar is from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. for a donation of \$12.00. There will also be a bake sale and a flea market. Tickets will be available at the door, the church office, or from a member of the Women of Faith. Hope to see you there!

THE PRAYER CHAIN is coordinated by members of the Adult Sunday School Class. If you have a prayer request or know of someone's need for prayer, please contact Linda George or the church office.

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**ONLINE GIVING**



## **REGULAR SCHEDULE:**

- Sunday** 10:15 a.m. Refreshments and Fellowship  
11:00 a.m. Worship with Jonathan Cunkelman
- Monday** 9:00 a.m. Grannies gather for sewing  
11:00 a.m. Blairsville Area Ministerium  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting
- Tuesday** 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting in Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday** 6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday** 9:00 a.m. WIC meets in Fellowship Hall  
2:00 p.m. Stitching Group  
6:30 p.m. Blairsville Brass Rehearsal
- Sunday** *There will not be refreshments before  
worship due to our picnic lunch*  
11:00 a.m. Worship with our new pastor,  
Rev. John Manon  
12:00 p.m. Welcome Picnic Luncheon

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