



All scripture is inspired by God  
and is useful for teaching, for  
reproof, for correction, and  
for training in righteousness...

2 Timothy 3:16, NRSV

**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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October 27, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

Words of Greeting Jean Heberling, 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 “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks” Arr. Berry/Bennett  
Organ, Pam Lewis and Piano, Cindy Borbonus

Introit #466 “Take My Life and Let It Be”

**Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love, at the impulse of thy love.**

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to God and call upon His holy name.

**People: We make God’s deeds known among all people.**

Leader: Sing to God, make a joyful noise unto Almighty God.

**People: Let the hearts of all who seek God rejoice.**

\*Hymn # 507 “A Mighty Fortress”

\*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we come before you to confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive us. Forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

\*Sharing of the Peace

Children's Message

## DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 1:3-10

Anthem

“Show Me the Way, O Lord”

By Parks

Chancel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Director

Scripture Lesson

II Timothy 3:16-17

Sermon

“Blessed Assurance”

Rev. John Manon

## 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 Insert

“Are You Washed In the Blood”

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 # 426

“Blessed Assurance”

\*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 Liturgist, Jean Heberling; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Lewis; Audio/Visual, Todd and Stacy Faulk; Ushers, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Kim McKinney.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in memory of Alvin Kitzmiller by Mary Anzelone.

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THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the parlor to work on the 2025 church budget.

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.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS next Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Remember to change your clocks and enjoy an extra hour of rest.

AN INSTALLATION SERVICE for Rev. Manon will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary next Sunday afternoon, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We hope you will come and be a part of this official installation of our new pastor.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 4 will hold their Chili & Soup Cookoff next 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.

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER will be served Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall. Please use the bulletin insert to make your reservation and let us know what dish you might bring to share or how you might help with the dinner. If you would be willing to roast a turkey for the dinner, please see Andrea Clayton or contact her at 724-459-7991.

THE DEACONS need your help to fill the community Thanksgiving baskets! Each year the deacons prepare boxes to help families during the holidays. Each box contains 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. A basket is located at the back of the sanctuary for your donations.

BIBLE STUDY will start in November. A morning study will begin Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and an evening study will begin Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Pastor John will lead the groups in a study of the book of Hebrews. ZOOM access will be available to those who would like to participate from home. Please call the church office for more information.

WE WANT TO BE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS in Hurricane Relief efforts by assembling Hygiene Kits. Please see the blue insert which lists the items needed for each kit. We ask that all donations be brought to the church by Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Assembly of the kits will take place Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall. Financial donations will be accepted to shop for products and/or to offset the processing fee of \$2.00 per kit. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

A FREE VETERAN'S DAY CONCERT will be held at the River Valley Senior High School auditorium on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The Blairsville Community Concert Band will perform a live instrumental concert in honor of our Veteran's! The band will be directed by Karen Kerin. We hope you will plan to attend.

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". If you know of a family with children who may need a winter coat, please contact Janet Smith at 724-459-7991.

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 at 724-459-7991.

WE WERE NOTIFIED that Gary Jones of Gary's Floral & Gifts will be retiring as of October 31<sup>st</sup>. We thank him for many years of providing our Sunday flower arrangements, helping us with decorations for the church and for floral arrangements on special occasions. We will miss him but wish him well. Gathered Co. by Betsy located in Blairsville will be our new florist. She will continue to provide arrangements at a cost of \$20. Any custom orders can be arranged by calling her directly at 724-388-7035 at least a week ahead. We thank Betsy for her willingness to work with our deacons to provide the beauty of the flowers for worship.

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>

A SPAGHETTI DINNER will be served at Bethel Presbyterian Church, 1470 Bethel Church Road, Indiana on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Cost for adults is \$10, children ages 5-10 is \$5, and children 4 and under are free.

### **REGULAR SCHEDULE:**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:15 a.m.	Refreshments and Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Grannies meet
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Budget Meeting in the parlor
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:30 p.m.	Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
<b>Friday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>Daylight Saving Time Ends</b>
	10:15 a.m.	Refreshments and Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Chili & Soup Cookoff in Fellowship Hall
	3:00 p.m.	Installation Service for Pastor John

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The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), through the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, is on the ground responding to the many urgent needs following the destruction of Hurricanes Milton and Helene. You can help! **GIVE – ACT - PRAY**

### **Hygiene Kits**

- \* One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel or micro-fiber)
- \* One washcloth
- \* One wide-tooth comb removed from the package
  - ✓ Must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth
  - ✓ No pocket combs or picks
  - ✓ Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable
- \* One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable)
- \* One bath-size bar of soap in the original package
- \* One toothbrush in the original package
- \* Ten standard size Band-Aids
- \* Wide-tooth Comb

All items need to fit inside a one-gallon Ziploc type bag. Remove the excess air from the bag and seal before boxing.

Do NOT add any extra items or toothpaste. A tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each hygiene kit just prior to its final journey.

**Value:** \$15.00

**Processing fee:** \$2.00 per kit