

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" Rev. John Manon 137 N. Walnut Street ~ Blairsville, PA 15717-1349 Church office 724-459-7991 e-mail: upchurch@r-church.com; website: www.r-church.com

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE November 3, 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

"In the Presence of Jehovah"

Arr. Wyrtzen

Organ, Pam Lewis and Piano, Cindy Borbonus

Introit #427

"You Are My All in All"

You are my strength when I am weak, You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All. Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool, You are my All in All!

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is your name.

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Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Leader:

We will serve the Lord with gladness! People:

Leader: Come into his presence with singing!

We enter his gates with thanksgiving **People:** and his courts with praise!

*Hymn # 54 "Let There Be Praise"

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we thank you for the freedom you have given us through the life, death and resurrection of your Son. But we confess this day that there is a myriad of sin in our lives. We pray for your mercy and forgiveness. Cleanse us of our sins by the blood of Christ. Restore us and move us to be better servants in this world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

*Assurance of Forgiveness *Gloria Patri *Sharing of the Peace Children's Message

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Lesson		Proverbs 1:1-7	
Anthem	"Think About His Love" By McDona		
Chanc	cel Choir – Cindy Borbonus, Dir	rector	
Scripture Lesson		James 1:5-6	
Sermon	"Limitless Wisdom"	Rev. John Manon	

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

(The Apostles' Creed)

*Affirmation of Faith

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 # 363 "My Tribute"
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

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, Mary Anzelone; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Lewis; Audio/Visual, Kristi Eckenroad and Doug Clayton; Ushers, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Terry Brown.

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT in worship this morning is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Maurice Borbonus by Cindy and family.

AN INSTALLATION SERVICE for Rev. John Manon will be held today at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. We hope you will come and be part of the service. A light reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 4 will hold their Chili & Soup Cookoff in Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship. Plan to stay for some delicious soup or chili and support the Boy Scouts.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Deacons are asked to please gather at the kitchen side.

ELECTION DAY is Tuesday. Voting will take place in Fellowship Hall all day. Please be aware of the additional traffic when visiting the church.

BIBLE STUDY will start Wednesday. A morning study will be held Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and an evening study will be held Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Pastor John will lead the groups in a study of the book of Hebrews. ZOOM access is available to those who would like to participate from home. Please call the church office for more information.

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.

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER will be served Sunday, November 24th 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 turkeys will be provided, we just need cooks.

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.

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. Donations for the Kids Closet of sizes from newborn to young adult are always welcomed. A FREE VETERAN'S DAY CONCERT will be held at the River Valley Senior High School auditorium on Monday, November 11th 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.

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 next Sunday, November 10th. Assembly of the kits will take place Thursday, November 14th at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Financial donations will be accepted to shop for products and/or to offset the processing fee of \$2.00 per kit and shipping costs. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

THE 10TH 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.

WE WERE NOTIFIED that Gary Jones of Gary's Floral & Gifts has retired as of October 31st. We thank him for many years of providing our beautiful 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 in retirement. 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.

SS SIMON AND JUDE CHURCH will host a Craft Show Saturday, November 9th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Over 30 crafter tables, basket raffle, bake sale, door prizes and food will be available for purchases. Admission is free. CALLING ALL SINGERS or instrumental groups. Blairsville Monday Music Club is hosting the annual Christmas Concert, December 9th at SS Simon and Jude Church. We are having a community choir which will sing 3 selections at the end of the concert. We welcome all individuals who enjoy singing to participate. Rehearsals are as follows: Mondays, November 4, 18, 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church and Mondays, December 2 and 9, at 7:00 p.m. at SS Simon and Jude Church.

THE BOY SCOUTS' Christmas Evergreen Fundraiser concludes today. If you would like to place an order, please do so today. For more information, please see Doug Clayton or the website: https://sherwoodfundraiser.com/bsatroop1004blairsvillepa

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday	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
Monday	1	Boy Scout Meeting
U	-	Monday Music Club Rehearsal
Tuesday	-	Election Day-voting in Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study Begins
	6:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Stitching Group
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study Begins
	6:30 p.m.	Otter Creek Brass Rehearsal
Friday	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
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