



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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March 9, 2025 ~ 11:00 AM

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Words of Greeting Mary Anzelone, Liturgist

Leader: May the grace of God, the love of Christ,
and the joy of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

Opening Prayer

Response of Praise

**This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice, we will rejoice,
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.**

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude “I Will Glory In the Cross” By D. Rambo

Call to Worship

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

**People: Though the earth shake and the mountains tremble,
we will not fear.**

Leader: God is always with us.

People: The God of heaven and earth is our refuge.

*Hymn # 59 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, we freely confess that we have neglected the work
you entrusted to us in many ways. We have been half-hearted in
our prayer, in our love of neighbors, in our worship, and in our
witness to the world. In your great mercy, forgive us and restore
us, that we may be more attentive to do your will on earth, until
you come again. AMEN.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Sharing of the Peace

Young Disciples

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Lesson

I John 5:4-5

Anthem

“Jesus Is All the World to Me”

Arr. Hayes

The Chancel Choir - Cindy Borbonus, Director

Scripture Lesson

John 6:35-39

Sermon

“I Am the Bread of Life”

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 # 437

“Jesus Loves Me”

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

Choral Amen

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn # 458

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

*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, Mary Anzelone; Director of Music, Cindy Borbonus; Organist, Pam Lewis; Audio/Streaming, Brylea Borbonus and John Bruner; Ushers, Tom and Janet Smith, Mya Johnson and Alan Lowman; and Property Manager, Bob Cosharek.

GRANNIES will meet Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in the Granny Room. There are tasks for everyone. All are welcome.

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

THE FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTION will be held Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. till noon from Fellowship Hall. Those signing up for the first time should bring proof of residence within the Blairsville Borough.

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.

BIBLE STUDY will meet 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 from home. Please call the church office for more information.

THE STITCHING GROUP meets Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church parlor. Bring a project you're working on and plan to stay until about 4:00 p.m.

THE MEN'S BREAKFAST will be held this Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at Dean's Diner. Come for a time of fellowship and food.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE will host another movie night this Saturday at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The movie will be a production of Sight & Sound theatres, "Jesus." Light refreshments will be available. Donations will be accepted to help defray costs. All are invited.

THE 2025 COMMUNITY LENTEN DEVOTIONALS are available at the back of the sanctuary. Digital copies were sent to our email list. Please help yourself to a copy and feel free to share one with a friend.

CPR TRAINING has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 25th at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in attending, please see Susie Cotti or call the church office.

DURING THE MONTH of March the Deacons are collecting paper products for the Alice Paul House. Items needed are paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, and hand wipes. There is a box in the back of the church for these products. A representative from Alice Paul House will present a moment for mission on Sunday, March 16.

BEGINNING IN MARCH, the deacons are inviting anyone who is interested to assist the Kids Closet with sorting donation items and or appointments. We gather at the church Monday evenings from 5:00-7:00. We are able to accomplish organizing donations and also enjoy fellowship. If you have any questions or would like more information, please see Lynnette Borbonus or Lindsay Barto.

THE GRANNIES would like your help. They are going to begin a project of making “fidget quilts”, similar to toddler activity books. They will be collecting zippers, shoe laces, Velcro, D-rings, buttons, etc. A container is located at the back of the sanctuary for any donations.

WE ARE LOOKING for the names of upcoming graduates from high school or schools of higher learning. It has been our tradition to recognize the accomplishments of our young people during a worship service. Please submit names of graduates to Chris Antis or call the church office.

OUR DEACONS will continue collecting toiletries and cleaning supplies for the people in the Carolinas and Tennessee, who are still impacted from hurricane Helene and now the wild fires. The collection box is in back of the church during the month of March. Because there are victims living in tents, various types of heaters are needed also. If anyone wishes to make a monetary donation, make checks payable to Helping Hands of Haywood and submit it to Pam Lewis or Pastor John. Your gift is tax deductible as Helping Hands is a registered 501(c)(3) charity.

THE DEACONS are collecting unused greeting cards and luggage for the patients at Torrance State Hospital. Please set any donations at the back of the sanctuary.

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SCHEDULE OF COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHEONS

Each Wednesday through Lent, we will gather at a community church at 12:00 noon for a Lenten Service followed by a soup and sandwich luncheon. Below is the 2025 schedule.

March 12 C&MA Church.....Pastor Linda Corle
March 19Hopewell Church..... Pastor Joe Baird
March 26Hebron Lutheran Church.... Ft. Dino Laude/Mark Ferlin
April 2.....Valley of Light Methodist.....Pastor John Manon
April 9.....Presbyterian Church..... Pastor Bob Penrose
April 16SS Simon & Jude Church.....Pastor Harold Hicks
April 18 Summit Church, 7:00 PM..... Pastor Bill Hebenthal

REGULAR SCHEDULE:

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Grannies
	11:00 a.m.	Blairsville Area Ministerium Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Monday Music Club rehearses
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Food Bank Distribution
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Community Lenten Lunch at C&MA Church
	5:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	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
Friday	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast at Dean's Diner
	7:00 p.m.	"Jesus" Movie in Fellowship Hall
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