



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, January 8, 2012
BAPTISM OF THE LORD

GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE *Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized* Scottish Psalter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Ascribe to God, O heavenly being, ascribe to God glory and strength.

People: **Ascribe to God the glory of God's name; worship God in holy splendor.**

Leader: The voice of God is powerful; the voice of God is full of majesty.

People: **May God give strength to God's people! May God bless God's people with peace!**

All: **Let us worship God!**

***OPENING HYMN #63** *As with Gladness Men of Old*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

We come as Your baptized believers, O God, confessing our sins. You send forth Your Spirit, yet we do not respond to Your presence. You set us apart as water is poured over us, yet our behavior in faith does not match our unique status. Christ calls us to follow; yet we disobey His commandment. Evidence of Your goodness surrounds us, yet we ignore Your gracious ways. Have mercy upon us, and in Your love uphold us. Above all, teach us the meaning of repentance. (Silent Prayer) Amen!

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord, Have Mercy") *Hymnal #572*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! God said to Jesus, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

People: **We have a high priest who is able to sympathize with our weakness, who has been tempted as we are, yet is without sin.**

Leader: In Christ's name we may draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, and there find mercy and grace to help in time of need.

All: **In Christ, we are forgiven.**

***GLORIA PATRI** ("Glory be to the Father") *Hymnal #579*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

Mary, Did You Know?

Greene/Lowry

Laura Pierce, Soloist

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG ONES

Preschool-aged children may go to the nursery after the children's message. Children of kindergarten age and above may remain in worship.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 1:1-5

EPISTLE LESSON Acts 19:1-7

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:4-11

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

With You I am Well Pleased

Dr. Dan Festa

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle's Creed (Traditional)

p.14 Hymnal

***HYMN #67**

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

The Church Office Will Be Closed Monday, January 16, in observance of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Genesis 1:1-5

- 1:1
- In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,
- 1:2
- the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.
- 1:3
- Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.
- 1:4
- And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.
- 1:5
- God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Acts 19:1-7

- 19:1
- While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples.
- 19:2
- He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."
- 19:3
- Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism."
- 19:4
- Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus."
- 19:5
- On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- 19:6
- When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—
- 19:7
- altogether there were about twelve of them.

Mark 1:4-11

- 1:4
- John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.
- 1:5
- And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

- 1:6
- Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.
- 1:7
- He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals.
- 1:8
- I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."
- 1:9
- In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.
- 1:10
- And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.
- 1:11
- And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Mary, Did You Know?

Mary, did you know that your baby Boy
Will one day walk on water?
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy
Will save our sons and daughters?
Did you know that your baby Boy
Has come to make you new?
This Child that you delivered will soon deliver you.
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy
Will give sight to a blind man?
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy
Will calm a storm with His hand?
Did you know that your baby Boy
Has walked where angels trod?
When you kiss your little Baby,
You've kissed the face of God.
Mary did you know?

The blind will see, the deaf will hear
And the dead will live again.
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak
The praises of the Lamb.

Mary, did you know that your baby Boy
Is Lord of all creation?
Mary, did you know that you baby Boy
Will one day rule the nations?
Did you know that your baby Boy
Is heaven's perfect Lamb?
This sleeping Child you're holding is the great I AM!

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2012

MEMBERS:

The family of John Parish
Mary Wooten
Robert Brown
Agnes Hughes
Nell Horne
Jo Weaver

Bettie Joe Isbell
Laura Hayes
Bradley VonTungeln
Bernice and Gene Lackey
Bea and Grady Magee
Mildred Gaunt

THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:

Agnes Bradley, White Hall Nursing and Rehab Center
Frances Anderson, Trinity Village Medical Center, Rm. 123

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

The family of Frances Cleveland, sister of Red Bennett
The family of Flo Smithwick, friends of the Cosner family
Anne Logan, friend of Jo Weaver
Jennifer Gipson, friend of Jo Weaver
Daniel Joshlen, grandson of Mary Wooten
Susan Buchanan, granddaughter of Bea Magee
Dylan Neal, nephew of Dana Neal
Colby Smothers, friend of the Neal family
Lori Partridge, friend of Rose VonTungeln
Loy Horne, sister-in-law of Lynda Vick
Mary Light, grandmother of Kodee & Jacob Vick and Brianna Rodriguez
Lauren Anderson, sister of Amber Poss
Verlon Wright, friend of the Cosner family

Jane Dean, friend of Mildred Gaunt
Judy Curry, Jo Weaver's hairdresser
Tracy Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Wayne Benson, friend of the Vick Family
Carla Fennessee, friends of Laura & Rick Pierce
Brooke Wells, granddaughter of Connie & Bill Detmers
Robbie Fikes, nephew of Lawrence Fikes
Son of Mary and Phil McBee, friends of Grady & Bea Magee.
Connie Insley, granddaughter-in-law of Hester Insley
Helen Gaunt, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt
Sheila Black Yarbro, former member
(Leah) Pud Harris
David Eubanks

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Mt. Vernon, Pea Ridge

First, Huntsville

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD:

Keith Camferdam, Air Force

Chris Hill, Army

Ssgt. Joe Salinas, Marines

To share your joys and concerns or to update the information listed in this week's Joys & Concerns, contact the church office at 879-9074, fax 879-9076, or email the church at CentralPC@cablelynx.com.