



PRESBYTERY OF ARKANSAS

Central Presbyterian Church

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

October 13, 2012 • 10:00 AM

"Called by Christ, we share the promise of our baptism and the hope of God's coming realm. The Presbytery of Arkansas seeks to make visible the body of Christ in Word and sacrament, through teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread, prayer and acts of compassion. Trusting the Holy Spirit's guidance, we work to order our life together with glad and generous hearts."

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Central's Hand Bell's

PRELUDE

"Gloria"

Mozart

Ralph Wilcox, member of Arkansas Presbyterian Musicians, Organist, First, Lonoke

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 104:31-33 CEB.

Laura Festa, Ruling Elder, Central, Pine Bluff

One: Let the LORD's glory last forever!

Let the LORD rejoice in all God has made!

All: God has only to look at the earth, and it shakes.

God just touches the mountains, and they erupt in smoke.

One: We will sing to the LORD as long as we live;

we will sing praises to our God while we are still alive.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN, No. 455 *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

Francis of Assisi

*CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

NiAnn Thompson, Director of Christian Education, First, Malvern

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION – Unison:

O God, we confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. Our vision is dim, our dreams too small, we do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Fill us again with your Spirit. Empty the stale places inside us that keep us from living fully. Give us voices to speak your goodness in the midst of the parched places of this world. Amen.

Kyrie; Hymn, No. 572 (to be sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

***THE PEACE**

One: ... The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: ... Please pass the peace of Christ to those near you.

*Gloria Patri; Hymn No. 579 (to be sung)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, Amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON:

Galatians 3:23-29

SECOND LESSON:

1 Kings 19

SERMON:

"The Call"

Marie Mainard O'Connell, Candidate for Ordination

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

ANTHEM

"Come, Holy Spirit"

Martin

Combined choirs of First and Central Churches, Pine Bluff

And members of Arkansas Presbyterian Musicians

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Nicene Creed - (Unison)**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten
of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were
made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate
of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was
buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he
ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom
will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Harlis Wright, Commisioned Ruling Elder, Faith, Pine Bluff

THE OFFERING

Rev. Jeff Price, Trinity, Little Rock

Today's offering will support the Stewpot feeding ministry at First, Little Rock.

THE OFFERTORY

"A Communion Invitation"

Courtney

Combined choirs of First and Central Churches, Pine Bluff

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***DOXOLOGY;** Hymn No. 591 (to be sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN, No. 513 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

African-American Spiritual

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Rev. Dari Rowen, First, Benton

Rev. Jeff Cranton, Westminster, Hot Springs

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: ...Therefore we lift our hearts to praise you God,
joining our voices with the song of the Church,
on earth and in heaven:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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

One: ...Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**All: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Communion will be received by intinction. When an usher indicates, proceed
down the middle aisle to the nearest available station to receive bread and dip
it in the cup. Please return to your seat by a side aisle. If you prefer,
communion will be brought to your seat.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**O God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully
redeemed us. Take us out to live as changed people because we have
shared the Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us,
expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us.
May we live for your glory. Amen.**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN, No. 525 "Here I Am, Lord"**

Schutte

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

"Amazing Grace"

Traditional

Marty Shell, Organist/Choirmaster, Central, Pine Bluff

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