

# Heritage Sunday

## Central Presbyterian Church



## Celebrating Our Heritage



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
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**Sunday, November 4, 2012**  
**31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**PRELUDE AND PROCESSIONAL** *Scotland the Brave*  
Lyle Adams, Bagpipes

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP** Jemmie Moseley

**CALL TO WORSHIP** The Rev. Dr. Dan Festa

**Leader:** I will praise God as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

**People:** **Happy are those whose help is in their God**

**Leader:** God lifts up those who are bowed down; God loves the righteous.

**People:** **God will reign forever, our God, O Zion, for all generations.**  
**Praise God!**

**All:** **Let us worship God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #260** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**CALL TO CONFESSION** Mac Norton

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Mac Norton

**Leader:** O God, give us understanding, that we may keep Your law and observe it with our whole heart.

**People:** **God, have mercy upon us, for we do not obey You.**

**Leader:** Lead us in the path of Your commandments, for we delight in it.

**People:** **Christ, have mercy upon us, since we take no delight in serving our neighbor.**

**Leader:** Turn our eyes from looking at vanities, and give us life in Your ways.

**People:** **God, have mercy upon us, because we are selfish and prone to evil.**

Leader: Behold, we long for Your precepts; in Your righteousness give us life!

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sin, and by Your grace may we walk in new life. (Silent Prayer) Amen.**

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Mac Norton

Leader: Brothers and sisters, it is God who gives justice to the weak and maintains the rights of the afflicted and destitute.

People: **God rescues the needy and delivers us from the hands of the wicked.**

Leader: As we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will through Christ deliver us blameless in the day of God's judgment.

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

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

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** Mac Norton

Leader: As Christ has brought us together in this place as one Body, may we truly be the Church united in Your presence. The Peace of Christ be with you all!

People: **And also with you.** (Please extend the hand of friendship to all those around you.)

**ANTHEM** *Celtic Laud* Martin/Courtney  
Combined Choirs, First & Central Presbyterian

**TIME WITH OUR YOUNG ONES** Dr. Laura Meeks Festa  
*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** Jemmie Moseley

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Jemmie Moseley

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Ruth 1:1-18 The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Hebrews 9:11-14 The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons

**GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 11:16-19 The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**INTRODUCTION OF DR. DYER** The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons

**SERMON** *Let Us Dance* The Rev. Dr. David Dyer

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)** The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons  
from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Glory be to the Creator, the Redeemer, and the One who sustains us. AMEN**

**\*HYMN #262** *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING** The Rev. Mr. Lance Clemmons

**OFFERTORY** *Chorale Prelude on DUNDEE* Hastings Parry

**\*DOXOLOGY** ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") *Hymnal #592*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** Mac Norton

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS** (You are each encouraged to give voice to your concerns or to name those for whom you Love and pray.)

**KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS** All Teaching Elders  
(Prayers will be offered by each pastor as individuals bring forward a piece of tartan cloth or other "family cloth" to be blessed during the Kirkin' o' the Tartans.)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER** The Rev. Dr. Dan Festa  
(We use debts and debtors.)

**\*CLOSING HYMN #280** *Amazing Grace*

The Rev. Dr. David Dyer

**POSTLUDE AND RECESSIONAL\*\***     *The Rowan Tree*  
Lyle Adams, Bagpipes

## EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

*Go forth into the world with rejoicing to love and serve the Lord.*

**\* Those who are able, please stand.**

**\*\* Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.**

**Ushers: Bubba VonTungeln and Laura Festa**

**Lay Reader: Jemmie Moseley**

## Banner Bearers: Sarah Smith and Zachary Cosner

## Celtic Laud

For fruit of the vine,  
For harvest of wheat,  
For bread and for wine,  
The gift of Your feast,  
The cup of thanksgiving  
I gratefully raise,  
O Lord of my living,  
My love and my praise.

For dove in the sky,  
For wind in the trees,  
For coal in the fire,  
Your Spirit in me,  
The cup of thanksgiving  
I gratefully raise,  
O Lord of my living  
My Love and my praise.

For springtime's green earth,  
For morning's first light,  
For every new birth,  
For grace and for life,  
The cup of thanksgiving,  
I gratefully raise,  
O Lord of my living  
My love and my praise.

## Chorale Prelude on DUNDEE

(Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, 1848-1918)

DUNDEE first appeared in the 1615 edition of the Scottish Psalter published in Edinburgh by Andro Hart. Called a "French" tune (thus it also goes by the name of FRENCH), DUNDEE was one of that hymnal's twelve "common tunes"; that is, it was not associated with a specific psalm, although it is most often used today for the hymn, "I to the Hills Will Lift Mine Eyes," (Psalm 121). The tune's name comes from the city of Dundee, known as the "Scottish Geneva" during the era of the Scottish Reformation.

Lunch will be served in McElyea Hall, immediately to the rear of the sanctuary, following the worship service. Cost: \$5.00 for adults, Maximum cost per family is \$10.00. All are invited to join in this time of good food and fellowship.

**Ruth 1:1-18**

1:1 In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons.

1:2 The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there.

1:3 But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons.

1:4 These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years,

1:5 both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

1:6 Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food.

1:7 So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah.

1:8 But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me.

1:9 The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud.

1:10 They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people."

1:11 But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands?

1:12 Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons,

1:13 would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me."

1:14 Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

1:15 So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law."

1:16 But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

1:17 Where you die, I will die—there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!"

1:18 When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

**Hebrews 9:11-14**

9:11 But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation),

9:12 he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

9:13 For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a

- heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified,
- 9:14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!
- Matthew 11:16-19**
- 11:16 "But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,
- 11:17 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'
- 11:18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon';
- 11:19 the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

- First Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events**
- Tuesday, November 6—**Election Day** (youth building is a voting location)
  - Wednesday, November 7 – 5:15 p.m. Bell Ringer Rehearsal; 7 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
  - Thursday, November 8—Citizens Police Academy Graduation, 6:00 p.m. McColgan Hall
  - Friday, November 9—Temple Anshe Emeth, Chapel and McColgan Hall
  - Monday, October 29—Priscilla Shirer’s **Bible study**, *Jonah*, 1:00p.m. or 6:00 p.m. in the church parlor.
- Prayer Requests**
- Homebound**  
Martha Andrews, Eva Carty, Janet Wagstaff, Nancy Williamson
- Members**  
Betty Abbott, Sara & Bill Anderson, Joel Anderson, Jean Atwood, Mildred Bradley, Bill Dunklin, Lucille Eifling, Pud Harris, Ernest Hercher, Larry Joerden, Kelly Byus Lee, Lois Lea, L.M. Lynch, Betty Matthews, Quinshawn McDuffy, Jimmie Don Norsworthy, Coy Nixon, Carol Price, Lorrie & Tim Puddephatt, Norma Roberts, Vernita Self, Ray West, Charlie Matthews
- Friends of the Church**  
Bambi & Howard Boudra (*Tiffany Powell’s mother and stepfather*), Jeff Chavis, Edie Railsback Gill, Shelia Goss, C. J. Henry (*Dr. Rick Bell’s grandson*), Ruby Herman, Rebecca Hill (*Cindy Williams’ sister*), Kristin Lile (*Oleatha Wulfekuhler’s daughter and Gail Bellingrath’s sister*), Tommy May, Mary Sue Mosenthin (*Sis Bellingrath Pugh’s sister*), Bill Moss, Marty Nord (*Martha Andrew’s daughter*), Dabney Railsback Rich, Matt Seale (*Mari Eilbott’s son*), Melissa Self-Scott (*Sabrina Self’s sister & Vernita Self’s daughter*), Judson Self (*Sabrina Self’s brother & Vernita Self’s son*), Nan Simmons, Mary Smith (*Ginny & Joe Clement’s daughter*), Lorene Stanley (*Debbie Robinson’s mother*), Voula & Bill Weaver, Robin Wagner, Don Watson (*Jo Neal’s father*), Gary White, Oleatha Wulfekuhler
- Military**  
Justin Courtney, Army, Afghanistan; George Henry Cousins IV, Army; Nathan Joyner, USMC; Ronald Knighton, Army, Afghanistan; Ben Piepgrass, USMC; Michael Burton Ravellette, USN; Jeremy Tate and his flight crew, USAF, Afghanistan; Darnesia Wilkerson, Army; Russell Wilkerson, Army

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 4, 2012

MEMBERS:

The family of Bettie Jo Isbell  
Bernice and Gene Lackey  
David Judkins  
Bea and Grady Magee  
Jo Weaver

Mary Wooten  
Agnes Hughes  
Nell Horne  
Mildred Gaunt

THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:  
Bud Elam

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Mildred Patterson, former member  
Gail Davis, former member  
Nina Reeves, mother of Laura Cosner  
Jaycee from Monticello, daughter of a coworker of David Perdue, Jr.  
Sherry Costello, friend of the Cosner family  
Sheila Starkey & family, friend of the church  
Ruby Cox, grandmother of Laura Cosner's friend  
Eddie Lackey, friend of the Reeves family  
Roxanne Melgarejo, caregiver of Jo Weaver  
Pat Mosley, mother of George Mosley  
Bonita Hankins, aunt of George Mosley  
Alyssa and Shawn Brock & their 7-month-old son, friends of the Cosner family  
Brad Morris, nephew of Bernice Lackey  
Jacki Drewett, Pat Drewett's mother-in-law  
Loy Horne, sister-in-law of Lynda Vick  
Anita Rodriguez, mother of Brianna Rodriguez and Kodee & Jacob Vick  
Kelly Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue

Evelyn Crow, friend of Laura Cosner  
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell  
Helen Knoll, grandmother of Amber Poss  
Marian Parks, aunt of Bill Detmers  
Cissy Bailey, sister-in-law of Betty Coles  
Anne Logan, friend of Jo Weaver  
Lori Partridge, friend of Rose VonTungeln  
Verlon Wright, friend of the Cosner family  
Jane Dean, friend of Mildred Gaunt  
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  
Son of Mary and Phil McBee, friends of Grady & Bea Magee.  
Helen Gaunt, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt  
Sheila Black Yarbrow, former member  
(Leah) Pud Harris

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:  
Campus and Camp Ministries

Hospital Chaplains and Counselors

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD:  
Keith Camferdam, Air Force

Chris Hill, Army

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.

Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church where we come together **to celebrate God's love, nurture growth, share our faith and serve the needs of others.** This Congregation opens wide its doors and our hearts and offers welcome to all in the name of Jesus Christ.

Pastor  
Dr. Dan Festa

Secretary  
Erin Shaw

Choirmaster/Organist  
Marty Shell

Nursery Attendant  
Laura Cosner

Youth Sponsors  
Marty Shell  
George Mosley

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The Session (Board of Elders)

Class of 2012

Zac Cosner  
Laura Festa  
Mike Kelley  
Jemmie Moseley  
Bubba VonTungeln

Class of 2013

Lawrence Fikes (Clerk)  
Steven Howsen  
George Mosley  
Dana Neal  
Laura Pierce

Standing Committee Moderators

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Mike Kelley     | Budget & Finance     |
| George Mosley   |                      |
| & Steven Howsen | Building & Grounds   |
| Zac Cosner      | Education            |
| Dana Neal       | Fellowship & Nurture |
| Laura Festa     | Missions & Outreach  |
| Laura Pierce    | Worship & Music      |

Announcements

**Neighbor to Neighbor's Christmas Project Is Underway!** Central has been asked to provide 100 cans of cranberry sauce by **Friday, November 30**, for the Christmas baskets. Cans may be placed in the box behind the round table in McElyea Hall. We have also been asked to consider sponsoring 10 (or more) children during Christmas. A cash donation of \$60.00 per child would ensure that these children wake up Christmas morning with toys under their tree.

**Theology on Tap:** Next Sunday, November 11, Laura and Dan will host at their home a time to gather for discussions about our faith. This is an informal time to talk about all of the issues we encounter in studying God's word. You are encouraged to bring your favorite libation along with all of your questions about the faith. We will meet from 7-9 p.m. and hope that many of you will chose to engage the challenges of being Christian in a modern world.

**The Evening Circle Will Meet** Monday, November 12, at 6:30 p.m., in the Perdue Library.

**The Morning Circle Will Meet** Tuesday, November 13, at 10:00 a.m., in the Perdue Library.

**Come and Join Us for the Annual PW Fall Bake Sale** on Saturday, November 17, at 9 a.m. Everyone is asked to start putting aside books, and begin thinking about what baked goods and/or casseroles they might want to contribute to the sale. Proceeds from the sale will go toward PW mission projects throughout the year. For more information, call the church office.