



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
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**Sunday, February 5, 2012**  
**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Luther

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** It is good to sing praises to God. God is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.

**People:** **Great is God, and abundant in power, whose understanding is beyond measure.**

**Leader:** Sing to God with thanksgiving; make melody to God with the lyre.

**People:** **You take pleasure in those who fear You and hope in Your steadfast love.**

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

**\*OPENING HYMN #421** *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

O God, You heal the brokenhearted; save us from sin when we inflict pain on our neighbors. We bear grudges against those who deceive us. We seek revenge on those who hurt us. Some we judge inferior because they don't meet our standards. Others we deem unworthy of our respect and support. Jesus had compassion upon all who were afflicted. Forgive us, O God, when our hearts are hardened against neighbors in need. (Silent Prayer) Amen!

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Leader:** The assurance of our pardon resides in Christ, "who, though He was in the form of God...emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave."

**People:** **Today, He intercedes on behalf of human weakness before the great throne of God.**

**Leader:** Therefore, let every knee bow, and let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

**People:** **Therein lies our assurance;**

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

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

### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**ANTHEM** *Assurance* Beck

**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** Isaiah 40:21-31

**EPISTLE LESSON** I Corinthians 9:16-23

**GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 1:29-39

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*Touring in Gallilee* Dr. Dan Festa

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostle's Creed (Traditional) p.14 Hymnal

**\*HYMN #357** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

*Now Praise the Lord*

Croft

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

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

**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.)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER** (We use debts and debtors.)

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #281** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* Welsh Folk Medley

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

The Flowers in the sanctuary are placed in memory of Linda Kitchens on her birthday by Connie Kitchens

*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: Zac Cosner & Bubba VonTungeln Lay Reader: Amanda Chandler**

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**  
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**The Session (Board of Elders)**

<u>Class of 2012</u>	<u>Class of 2013</u>
Zac Cosner	Lawrence Fikes (Clerk)
Laura Festa	Steven Howsen
Mike Kelley	George Mosley
Jemmie Moseley	Dana Neal
Bubba VonTungeln	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*

**Central’s Youth Will Participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring** again this year. At the end of worship this morning, our youth will collect \$1 donations (or more if you choose) in soup pots. All proceeds from this event will be donated to Neighbor to Neighbor.

**Youth Group and Handbell Rehearsal Will Not Meet** tonight so that everyone can enjoy the Super Bowl with friends and family at home.

**Young Women of the Church (And Those Who Are Young-at-heart) Are Invited to Participate in a New Presbyterian Women’s Circle** that will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. The new circle is designed to meet the needs of those who would like to be a part of a women’s circle but have not been able, because of work or family obligations, to participate. The first meeting of this new circle will be February 11, at 10 a.m., in the Perdue Library. Please call the church office to let us know if you are interested so that we can order the necessary materials. Also, if you are interested but are not able to make the February meeting, contact Laura Festa at 671-4594 to discuss suggestions for a more convenient meeting time.

**Mark Your Calendars for February 12**, when our youth will sponsor our Annual Valentine’s Banquet. Everyone is invited to join us for lunch following morning worship and celebrate Valentine’s Day. The menu features Suzy’s famous homemade lasagna with all the trimmings. Costs are \$8 for Adults, \$15 for Couples, and \$20 for Families (4 or more).

**Communicants Class Will Begin** on February 12, at 3 p.m, in the conference room.

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

- 40:21Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?
- 40:22It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in;
- 40:23who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.
- 40:24Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.
- 40:25To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
- 40:26Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.
- 40:27Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?
- 40:28Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.
- 40:29He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.
- 40:30Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;
- 40:31but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

- 9:16If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel!
- 9:17For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission.

- 9:18What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.
- 9:19For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them.
- 9:20To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law.
- 9:21To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law.
- 9:22To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some.
- 9:23I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

**Mark 1:29-39**

- 1:29As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.
- 1:30Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.
- 1:31He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.
- 1:32That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.
- 1:33And the whole city was gathered around the door.
- 1:34And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.
- 1:35In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.

1:36 And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

1:37 When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you."

1:38 He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do."

1:39 And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God.  
Born of His Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior, all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song.  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect Submission, all is at rest,  
I in my savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior, all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song.  
Praising my Savior all my life long.

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The anthem today is a unique arrangement reflecting the favorite hymn of Blessed Assurance on a background of Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring by J.S. Bach.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 2012

MEMBERS:

Mary Wooten  
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:

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Marian Parks, aunt of Bill Detmers  
The family of Milburn Sites, grandfather of Ben Poss  
Evelyn Morrison Bast, mother of Carolyn Mebane  
Cissy Bailey, sister-in-law of Betty Coles  
Bob St. Clair, brother of Mary Kientz  
Helen Knoll, grandmother of Amber Poss  
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 Fenessee, 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 Yarbrow, former member  
(Leah) Pud Harris  
David Eubanks

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Lincoln

First, Heber Springs

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.