



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
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**Sunday, April 22, 2012**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE** *Because You Live, O Christ* Parker

Leader: O God, be gracious to me and hear my prayer.  
People: **Know that God has set us apart and hears us when we call.**  
Leader: O God, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us.  
People: **O God, be gracious to us and hear our prayer.**  
All: **Let us worship God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #324** *Open My Eyes That I May See*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

God of all pilgrims, of all children, of all wrestlers with truth, we confess our complicity with many of the evils of society as well as our part played in maintaining the Status Quo. You have offered us repentance and encouraged us to change our ways. But, we are of the same humanity that repudiated the suffering Messiah. Through Your goodness and the work of the Holy Spirit, we are a part of the repenting community whose sins are wiped clean. Help us to know You more fully so that Your divine love may come to perfection in us, through the Spirit of the Risen Christ. (Silent Prayer) Amen!

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! We have come to plead our cause with the Divine Parent, Jesus Christ, God's Son.

People: Jesus Christ is just and the remedy for the sins of the world.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

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

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

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**ANTHEM** *Bought With a Price* Sleeth

**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** Psalm 4

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Acts 3:12-19

**GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 24:36b-48

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** *Still Wondering* Dr. Dan Festa

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

**\*HYMN #112** *Holy Spirit, With Light Divine* (insert)

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**                      *Herr Jesu Christ, wahr’r Mensch und Gott*                      Bach

**\*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.)

**PROFESSION OF FAITH BY COMMUNICANTS**

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #317**      *Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\***                      *Christ Is Alive*                      Williams

**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.**

**Usher: Dana Neal                      Lay Readers: Zac Cosner & Bubba VonTungeln**

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.

<b>Pastor</b> Dr. Dan Festa	<b>Secretary</b> Erin Shaw
<b>Choirmaster/Organist</b> Marty Shell	<b>Nursery Attendant</b> Laura Cosner
<b>Youth Sponsors</b> Marty Shell Suzy Von Tungeln Rose Von Tungeln	<b>Website:</b> <b>www.centralprespb.com</b> Member Login: cpcmember Member Psswd: 6300trinity



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

<b>Standing Committee Moderators</b>	
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*

**The Community is Invited to Attend the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Crime Victims’ Rights Week Memorial Service** hosted by The Healing Place Ministries of Pine Bluff. The service will be held this afternoon at 3 p.m., at the New Community Church located at 321 N. Birch. For more information, see the flyer on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall.

**CASA Women’s Shelter Will Have an Open House** from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., Thursday, April 26. The new facility is located at East 12th Avenue and State Street and public tours will be offered. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

**The Men of the Church Will Host a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** following worship next Sunday, April 29. The menu will be spaghetti, green beans, salad, breadsticks & dessert. The cost is \$6 per person, \$18 per family of 3 or more. All proceeds will go towards the Men’s Retreat in May.

**There Will Also Be a Car Wash** next Sunday from 1p.m. until 3 p.m. The cost will be \$10 per car. All proceeds go towards the Men’s Retreat in May.

**We’re Playing Bingo!** Come and join us next Sunday evening for a Blue Moon Sunday game of Bingo. Cards will be 50¢, and each family is asked to bring a \$5 gift. Everyone is invited to bring their favorite finger foods. We will play from 4:30 to 6 pm. All proceeds will go towards equipment for the church playground.

*Announcements continued on insert*

**Psalms 4**

- 4:1 Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.
- 4:2 How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? Selah
- 4:3 But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.
- 4:4 When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. Selah
- 4:5 Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.
- 4:6 There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!"
- 4:7 You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound.
- 4:8 I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

**Acts 3:12-19**

- 3:12 When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?
- 3:13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him.
- 3:14 But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you,
- 3:15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.
- 3:16 And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

- 3:17 "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.
- 3:18 In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer.
- 3:19 Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

**Luke 24:36b-48**

- 24:36b While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."
- 24:37 They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost.
- 24:38 He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?
- 24:39 Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."
- 24:40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.
- 24:41 While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"
- 24:42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish,
- 24:43 and he took it and ate in their presence.
- 24:44 Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."
- 24:45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,
- 24:46 and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,
- 24:47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
- 24:48 You are witnesses of these things.

**Bought With A Price**

You were blessed by the Word,  
Born of the spirit,  
Called by the Power divine.  
You were led by the light,  
Washed with the water  
Marked by a sacred sign.  
You are part of the chosen people,  
You are children of Abraham,  
You were bought with a price,  
Spared by a sorrow,  
Saved by the blood of the Lamb!

So what, then, does God require of you?  
Nothing in truth you cannot do.  
This, this alone your whole life through,  
But to walk in the way of the Lord!

You were claimed by a cross,  
Graced by a glory,  
Loved by the Lord on high.  
You were fed by the faith,  
Filled from the fountain,  
Destined to testify!  
You are part of the chosen people,  
You are children of Abraham,  
You were bought with a price,  
Spared by a sorrow,  
Saved by the blood of the Lamb!

You were blessed by the Holy Spirit,  
Called by the Power divine,  
Washed with the living water,  
Marked by a sign.  
You are part of the chosen people,  
Children of Abraham,  
Redeemed by a sacrifice and saved by  
the Lamb!

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Destined to testify!  
You are part of the chosen people,  
You are children of Abraham,

You were bought with a price,  
Spared by a sorrow,  
Saved by the blood of the Lamb!  
Bought with the price of a sacrifice,  
And saved by the blood of the Lamb!

***PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 22, 2012***

*MEMBERS:*

***Dora VonTungeln***  
***Bettie Joe Isbell***  
***Mary Wooten***  
***Agnes Hughes***  
***Nell Horne***  
***Jo Weaver***

***Laura Hayes***  
***Bradley VonTungeln***  
***Bernice and Gene Lackey***  
***Bea and Grady Magee***  
***Mildred Gaunt***

*THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:*

*FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:*

***Jo Jacks***, sister of a close friend of Patsy & Al  
Glover  
***The family of Robbie Fikes***, nephew of Lawrence  
Fikes  
***The family of Bob Harris***, brother of Don Harris  
***Helen Knoll***, grandmother of Amber Poss  
***The family of Cleashindra Hall***, cousin of Ryan  
Shaw  
***Able VonTungeln***, son of Michael VonTungeln  
***Marian Parks***, aunt of Bill Detmers  
***Cissy Bailey***, sister-in-law of Betty Coles  
***Bob St. Clair***, brother of Mary Kientz  
***Anne Logan***, friend of Jo Weaver  
***Jennifer Gipson***, friend of Jo Weaver  
***Susan Buchanan***, granddaughter of Bea Magee  
***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  
***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:*

***Alpine Church***, Amity

***Cleburne Avenue***, West Helena

*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.*

## *Announcements* (cont.)

**You are Invited to a Baby Brunch For Laura Cosner** on Saturday, May 12, 11:00 a.m., in McElyea Hall. Laura is registered at Babies R Us, Target, and Linda's Monogram. Regrets only call Jennifer Place, (870) 718-2442.

**All Is Fair in Love...Even Murder?** That's the question posed in *Murder at the Howard Johnson's*, presented by Murry's Dinner Playhouse. We will travel on May 12, to see this hysterical comedy about a love triangle in a Howard Johnson's Motor Inn starring Murry's director, Glen Gilbert. Join us for all the fun, laughter, good food, and fellowship. Please sign up in McElyea Hall by **May 3**. The cost is \$33.00 for adults, and we will leave the church at 5:15 p.m. This show is a favorite, one of the most requested comedies at Murry's, and one that you won't want to miss!