



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
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Sunday, April 8, 2012

**RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER SUNDAY**

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

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

*The Strife Is O'er*

Palestrina

Central's Handbells

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: This is the day that God has made.

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**All: Let us worship the Risen Christ!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #113** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

God of the Sabbath rest, God of Easter Sunday, God of every day, hear our confession. Fear often closes our mouths so that we say nothing to anybody. We are often reluctant to share unusual experiences that doubters will question and cast aspersions on our sanity. Death mystifies us, but to be a witness to the resurrection dumbfounds us, too. There is something fearsome about death and grievous in the separation it brings between the living and the dead. We want to overcome our doubts about resurrection. Help us to receive the witness of the apostles concerning the new creation begun after the Sabbath ended and another first day of Your activity begun, for the sake of Him You raised from death, Jesus Christ.  
(Silent Prayer) Amen!

***Happy Easter***  
***He is Risen! Alleluia!***

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! Christ died for us in accordance with the Scriptures, was buried, and was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

People: **Through this good news we are being saved, if we hold firmly to the message.**

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 *Lift High the Cross* Wilson

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 25:6-9

EPISTLE LESSON I Corinthians 15:1-11

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 16:1-8

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Terror and Amazement* Dr. Dan Festa

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

\*HYMN #115 *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Fanfare for a Resurrection Day* Scott

\*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.)

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND

LORD’S PRAYER (We use debts and debtors.)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #118 *The Day of Resurrection!*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE\*\* *Hosanna* Wachs

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

Communion Steward: George Mosley

**Isaiah 25:6-9**

- 25:6     On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
- 25:7     And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.
- 25:8     Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.
- 25:9     It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

- 15:1     Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand,
- 15:2     through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.
- 15:3     For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures,
- 15:4     and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures,
- 15:5     and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.
- 15:6     Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.
- 15:7     Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.
- 15:8     Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.
- 15:9     For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

- 15:10     But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.
- 15:11     Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

**Mark 16:1-8**

- 16:1     When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.
- 16:2     And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb.
- 16:3     They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"
- 16:4     When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.
- 16:5     As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.
- 16:6     But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him.
- 16:7     But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you."
- 16:8     So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid.

**Lift High The Cross**

Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, let us follow where our Captain trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ the Son God.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Each newborn servant of the Crucified  
Bears on the brow the seal of him who died.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.

So shall our song of triumph ever be,  
Praise to the Crucified for victory.

***Easter Lilies Placed in the Sanctuary***

Karen & David Perdue  
Patsy & Al Glover

Mary Kientz  
Jemmie Moseley & Family

Jo Weaver  
Marty Shell & Tommy Dunlap

Lynda Vick, Nell Horne, Brady Vick,  
The Adam Vick Family, Brianna  
Kodee & Jacob  
Mary Shannon & Lawrence Fikes  
Bernice & Gene Lackey  
Valerie Reichen and  
Donna & Marlin Shipman  
Laura & Zachary Cosner

Erin Shaw and Ryan

Myra Baran

Ret and John Armer Baran  
Mark Baran  
Myra and Mark Baran

*In memory of Lester Shell and Jack Perdue, III  
Weldon & Juanita Glover and Clarence & Edith  
Lyon*

*In memory of Sonny Kientz  
In honor of Nell Horne and Mac & Loy Horne  
In memory of Martin Moseley, Sr., Mr. & Mrs.  
Bryan Moseley, and Mr. & Mrs. Bonner G. Davis,  
Sr.*

*In memory of J.T. Weaver  
In memory of Lester Shell, Margie Watson, Bob &  
Nell Dunlap, Georgia Diffey, and Randi Shell*

*In memory of Earl Wayne Vick, Jr. and Leon Horne  
For the Glory of God  
In memory of Jerry and Randy Lackey*

*In memory of Murray Reichen  
In memory of John & Janet Reeves, Kay Reeves,  
Charles Moore, John & Mary Cosner, Dona  
Graumann, Sonny & Joyce Boshers  
In honor of the Shaw, Hall & Coleman Families, in  
remembrance of Cleashindra Hall, and in memory  
of Freddie Johnson  
In honor of the Faucette, Versey, Kincade &  
Johnson Families and Ruby Carey  
In memory of Elise R. Perdue and Rosemond Heist  
Miller*

*In memory of Mr. J.A. Perdue, III  
In memory of Mrs. Maria Baran and Shirley Baran  
In memory of Mr. J. A. Perdue, Jr. and Mr. R. B.  
Miller*

***PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 8, 2012***

*MEMBERS:*

***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:*

***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:*

***Good Shepherd**, Greenwood*

***Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista***

*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***

**Communicant's Class Will Not Meet** today. Class will resume next Sunday, April 15.

**The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Will Be Received** this morning during morning worship. See the bulletin insert for more information.

**Deposits for the Men's Retreat Are Due Today.** For more information contact Zac Cosner at (870) 550-9825.

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

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

**The Neighbor to Neighbor Annual Fish Fry and Silent Auction Will Be Held** on Friday, April 13, at St. Joseph Catholic Church. It will be catered by the Knights of Columbus. Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., and dinner will be served from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12.00. Carry-outs will be available for lunch and dinner. Delivery will be available for lunch orders of 10 or more to the same location.

All proceeds from the Fish Fry and Auction will go toward maintaining Neighbor to Neighbor's food programs, utility assistance, and prescriptions for their clients. All are invited to participate in this annual event and help them continue to make a difference in the lives of so many in our community. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call (870) 534-2883.

**The Men of the Church Will Have a Breakfast Meeting** on Saturday, April 14, at 8 a.m., in McElyea Hall. Members and friends of Central are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**The Weekend Circle Will Meet** Saturday, April 14, at 9 a.m., in the Perdue Library.

**The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held** next Sunday, April 15, following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

**The Session Will Meet** next Sunday, April 15, in the conference room, following morning worship.

*Announcements* (cont.)

**First Presbyterian Church Will Host** a potluck dinner in McColgan Hall on Sunday, April 15, at 6 p.m. Two missionaries from the Congo, John and Gwendolyn Fletcher, will tell of their experiences. All are invited to join them for dinner. For more information, see the flyer on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall.

**We're Going to See *Stuart Little!*** On Sunday, April 29, we will travel to the Arts & Science Center to see the 2 p.m. performance of the award-winning play, *Stuart Little*. We will attend the 2:00 matinee that day, so we plan to leave the church no later than 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in attending the show, please be sure and sign up on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall by **next Sunday, April 15**, so that we will have plenty of time to purchase tickets and reserve our seats.

**The Deadline for the May Issue** of the *Central Scene* is **Monday, April 16**. Please turn in all announcements, articles, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.

**The PW Spring Gathering Will Be Held** Saturday, April 28, at the Kirk in the Pines in Hot Springs Village, AR. This year's program is "Message of Hope." The deadline to register is **April 20**. For more information, see the flyer and sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall.

**Grace Episcopal Church Invites You to Join Them** on Saturday, April 21, from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., for their Annual English Tea and Sale. Come and enjoy an elegant traditional high tea, served in the beautifully decorated Richard M. Milwee Hall. Sample delightful savories such as cucumber sandwiches, asparagus roll-ups, salmon, chicken salad pastry puffs, and delicious sweets like chocolate sacher torte, butter shortbread, and lemon tarts. The cost is \$7.00, and take-out boxes are available. You can also have a wonderful time shopping in Grace's Attic and Bakery. Browse the large variety of homemade items such as homemade breads and rolls, brownies, and cheese straws, or take home an entire meal from the frozen selection of casseroles and side dishes. Feel free to "dress" for Tea, or come as you are. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call (870) 534-4980 or (870) 535-3852.

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> www.centralprespb.com 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