



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, June 17, 2012
11TH 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May God answer you in the day of trouble, and may the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

People: **May God remember all of our offerings and regard with favor our sacrifices of praise.**

Leader: May God grant us our heart's desire, and fulfill all of our plans.

People: **Our pride is in the name of God who hears us when we pray.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

***OPENING HYMN #531** *Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, teach us to make the distinction between obedience to Your will and the laws of our culture. We confess that we are too often content to live by human law and not the higher commands given to us by Christ. While we seek to be good citizens of the nation where we live, enable us to abide by the even higher standards of Your realm of truth, goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Silent Prayer) Amen!

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! The One who raised Christ from the grave will raise us too, and bring us to God's eternal presence.

People: **Because He lives in us, we too shall live.**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

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

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: As Christ has given each of us Peace, let us extend it now to our Neighbors. The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: **And also with you.** (Please extend the right hand of fellowship to those around you by saying: "The Peace of Christ be with you!")

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

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 I Samuel 15:34-16.3

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 4:26-34

EPISTLE LESSON 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

By Faith and Not by Sight

Dr. Dan Festa

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle's Creed (Traditional)

p.14 Hymnal

***HYMN #383**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

***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 #264** *When in Our Music God is Glorified*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE**

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: To be announced Lay Reader: Laura Pierce

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.

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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
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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

The Presbyterian Women’s Birthday Offering Will Be Received during this morning’s worship. The Birthday Offering is a PW offering collected each year to celebrate the blessings in the lives of Presbyterian Women. See the bulletin insert for more information.

The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held today following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

The Session Will Meet this afternoon in the conference room, following the luncheon.

The Deadline for the July Issue of the *Central Scene* is **tomorrow, June 18**. Please turn in all announcements, articles, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.

Join Us for a Bus Trip to the Village in Star City, AR, on Friday, June 29. We will leave the church at 4:30 p.m. to catch a big mess of fish! We will return when everyone finishes eating and shopping. Come one, come all, for plenty of good fun and fellowship. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall if you would like to travel with us.

1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13

15:34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul.

15:35 Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

16:1 The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

16:2 Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'

16:3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

16:4 Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

16:5 He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

16:6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD."

16:7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

16:8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these."

16:11 Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here."

16:12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one."

16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Mark 4:26-34

4:26 He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,

4:27 and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.

4:28 The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head.

4:29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

4:30 He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?

4:31 It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;

4:32 yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

4:33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;

4:34 he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17

5:6 So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord –

5:7 for we walk by faith, not by sight.

5:8 Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

5:9 So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

- 5:10

For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.
- 5:11

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences.
- 5:12

We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart.
- 5:13

For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.
- 5:14

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died.
- 5:15

And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.
- 5:16

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.
- 5:17

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Assurance

- 1.) 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.

2.) 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.

3.) 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.

4.) 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.
- 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 JUNE 17, 2012
- MEMBERS:
- Jo Weaver
The family of Dora VonTungeln
Bettie Joe Isbell
Mary Wooten
Agnes Hughes
Nell Horne
- Laura Hayes
Bradley VonTungeln
Bernice and Gene Lackey
Bea and Grady Magee
Mildred Gaunt
- THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:
- FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:
- Anita Rodriguez, mother of Brianna Rodriguez
and Kodee & Jacob Vick
The family of Ann Marshall, friend of Laura &
Dan Festa
Kelly Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Evelyn Crow, friend of Laura Cosner
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell
Patsy King, former member
Wanda Vining, mother-in-law of Pat Drewett
Helen Knoll, grandmother of Amber Poss
The family of Cleashindra Hall, cousin of Ryan
Shaw
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
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 Fennessee, 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:
- First, Gravette First, Pine Bluff
- 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.