



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, November 24, 2013
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE *According to Thy Gracious Word* Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God who looks with kindness on us.

People: **We are the inheritors of the promises made long ago to our ancestors.**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God who gathers us here in this place.

People: **From across the street, from halfway around the world, God brings us home to the heart of grace.**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God who has remembered us.

All: **Scoffers and singers, watchers and wigglers, we are those redeemed by God.**

***OPENING HYMN #142** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In these moments, Remembering God, we bring to you all the ways we have not lived as your people: we stand by watching while those in need struggle to survive; we cast our lots with those who worship power and success; we offer insults rather than words of grace to those who care for us; we scoff at your words which call us to a different lifestyle. Forgive us, God of Mercy, for not knowing what we do to you, to others, to ourselves. Speak to us through Jesus Christ, our King and our Savior, who bears words filled with your tender mercy and gracious hope. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: This is the good news: God remembers!

People: **Not our sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion. God remembers us - and redeems us!**

Leader: God prepares the way for us - the way to grace, to hope, to new life.

All: **Joyfully, we offer our thanks to God. Amen.**

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *A Communion Invitation* Martin

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Jeremiah 23:1-6
Luke 1:68-79
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Liz Lindsey

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

***HYMN #151** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Sanctus* Schubert

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**
Your days are surely coming, Holy One, just as surely as the needs of this world are real. We offer these gifts in awe of your victory over the cross and in celebration of your present and coming reign, that life-even life abundant-might multiply for all people. Bless these gifts, that they may be used according to your will. Amen.
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 #155** *Rejoice, The Lord Is King*
***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
POSTLUDE** *Variations for Thanksgiving* Curtis
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: Connie and Bill Detmers Lay Reader: Jemmie Moseley
Communion Steward: Jemmie Moseley

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.

Guest Pastor Rev. Liz Lindsey	Secretary Erin Shaw
Choirmaster/Organist Marty Shell	Nursery Attendant Laura Cosner
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The Session (Board of Elders)	
<u>Class of 2013</u>	<u>Class of 2014</u>
Lawrence Fikes	Tommy Dunlap
Steven Howsen	Jo Weaver
George Mosley	Lan Kelley
Dana Neal	Pat Drewett
Laura Pierce (Clerk)	Bill Detmers
Standing Committee Moderators	
Lawrence Fikes	Budget & Finance
Steven Howsen	Building & Grounds
George Mosley	
Dana Neal	Education
Tommy Dunlap	Fellowship & Nurture
Pat Drewett	
Jo Weaver	Missions & Outreach
Bill Detmers	
Lan Kelley	Worship & Music

Announcements

Copies of the 2014 Budget are available on the round table in the Narthex.

Is Your Pledge Up-to-Date? Member contribution reports are available by request from the church office.

The Church Office Will Begin Accepting Orders for poinsettias today. They will be placed in the sanctuary beginning December 15, and will remain through December 26. If you prefer not to purchase an actual plant, you may designate your gift for the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund instead. To place an order, please one of the forms on the round table in the Narthex, and return it to the church office by December 15. The cost is \$12.50.

The Church Office Will Be Closed November 28 & 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

We Will Decorate for Christmas/Advent Saturday, November 30, at 9 a.m. Volunteers are needed and welcome.

Neighbor to Neighbor’s Holiday Projects Are Underway! Central has been asked to provide 100 cans of cranberry sauce by December 1, for the Christmas baskets. Cans may be placed in the box behind the round table in McElyea Hall.

Lectionary Year A Begins next Sunday, December 2.

All Are Invited to Join us next Sunday at 5:30 p.m., in the sanctuary for the Moravian Love Feast. The Moravian Love Feast is an annual tradition here at Central, one which has grown and developed over the years. Folks are invited to bring sweet breads, soup, and sandwiches to share. We will gather as members of the family of God, and together we will seek God’s blessing for our community and for our world.

Jeremiah 23:1-6

23:1 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

23:2 Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

23:3 Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.

23:4 I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

23:5 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

23:6 In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Luke 1:68-79

1:68 "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

1:69 He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David,

1:70 as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

1:71 that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

1:72 Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant,

1:73 the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us

1:74 that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

1:75 in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

1:76 And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

1:77 to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

1:78 By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us,

1:79 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Colossians 1:11-20

1:11 May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully

1:12 giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

1:13 He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,

1:14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

1:15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;

1:16 for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers--all things have been created through him and for him.

1:17 He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

1:18 He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

1:19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

1:20 and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Luke 23:33-43

23:33 When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

23:34 Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

23:35 And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"

23:36 The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine,

23:37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

23:38 There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

23:39 One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

23:40 But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?"

23:41 And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."

23:42 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

23:43 He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."



A Communion Invitation

Come, if you are lonely,
My door is open wide.
All of you are welcome,
Come and step inside.
Enter with My blessing,
No one is denied.
Come, sit at My table,
Come, sit by My side.

Come, if you are thirsty,
I will pour the wine.
If you hunger, take this bread,
Sit with Me and dine.
Every weary traveler,
Every troubled soul,
Rest for just a moment
And leave the table whole.

The feast I spread before you,
The cup that we will share,
The bread we'll break together,
I've lovingly prepared.

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2013

MEMBERS:

Bill Detmers
Agnes Hughes
Mildred Turner
Nelson Buchanan
Bernice and Gene Lackey
Mary Wooten

Valerie Reichen
Jo Weaver
Bea Magee
Nell Horne
Hester Insley
Mildred Gaunt

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Carolyn Mebane, former member
Erin Shaw, church secretary
Marie Shell, mother of Marty Shell
Orrin Robinson, friend of the church
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell
Kathleen Martin, friend of the Mosley family
Pat Mosley, mother of George Mosley
Freddie Maxwell, friend of the Neal family
Joe Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Mary Ward, mother of Dana Neal
Al Glover, former member
Marla Shapiro, cousin of Laura Cosner
Dan Loomis, former pastor
Marlene Chambliss, mother-in-law of Suzy & Rose's younger sisters
Miranda Goldman, daughter of Suzy VonTungeln's coworker
Judy Feters, friend of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
Richard Harrison, friend and customer of Laura Cosner
Kasey Kenward, friend of the Cosner Family

Matthew Stoddard, nephew of Amanda Chandler's co-worker
Terry Hill, friend of Laura Cosner
John Hensley, friend of Laura and Rick Pierce
Kristina Ward, friend of Amanda and Michael Chandler
Nancy Mugford, friend Laura and Dan
Judy Curry, Jo Weaver's hairdresser
Ray Nitcher, friend of Jo Weaver
Zach Towers, friend of Austin Howsen
Franklin Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Brad Morris, nephew of Bernice Lackey
Kelly Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Marian Parks, aunt of Bill Detmers
Cissy Bailey, sister-in-law of Betty Coles
Anne Logan, friend of Jo Weaver
Tracy Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Carla Fenessee, friends of Laura & Rick Pierce
Brooke Wells, granddaughter of Connie & Bill Detmers
Helen Gaunt, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Marianna

Westminster, Hot Springs

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD:

Keith Camferdam, Air Force
Josh May, Army

Kyle Glover, 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.