



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
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**Sunday, April 7, 2013**  
**2<sup>ND</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** *The Strife is O'er* Palestrina

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Praise God! Let everything that breathes praise God!  
People: **We will praise You for Your mighty deeds, O God, according to Your surpassing greatness!**  
Leader: Praise God with the sounds of the trumpet, with tambourine and the dance!  
People: **We will praise God with strings and pipe and loud clashing cymbals.**  
Leader: Let everything that breathes praise God!  
All: **Let us worship God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #308** *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Alpha and Omega God, You are our beginning and our end. We confess that we are reluctant to be counted among those responsible for the crucifixion of the One You sent to be our Savior. We may be doubtful too about the testimony to His resurrection. Forgive the pride that prevents our honest confession of sin and the doubt that refuses to hear and see what might strengthen our wavering faith. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! Jesus is alive and holds the keys of death and death's domain.

People: **Jesus is the First and the Last and is the Living One. He is forgiving and says; Do not be afraid.**

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**

**FIRST LESSON** Revelation 1:4-8

**GOSPEL LESSON** John 20:19-31

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Acts 5:27-32

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** *Human Authority*

Dr. Dan Festa

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Apostle's Creed (Traditional)*

p.14 Hymnal

**\*HYMN #148** *At the Name of Jesus*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Lasset uns mit Jesu ziehen* 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.)

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #155** *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *Take the Name of Jesus With You* Broughton

**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: Jemmie Moseley Lay Reader: Bill Detmers

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 George Mosley	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.centralprespb.com">www.centralprespb.com</a> Member Login: cpcmember Member Psswd: 6300trinity



<b>The Session (Board of Elders)</b>	
<b><u>Class of 2013</u></b>	<b><u>Class of 2014</u></b>
Lawrence Fikes	Tommy Dunlap
Steven Howsen	Jo Weaver
George Mosley	Lan Kelley
Dana Neal	Pat Drewett
Laura Pierce (Clerk)	Bill Detmers

<b>Standing Committee Moderators</b>	
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*

**The Men of the Church Will Host a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** today following morning worship. The plates will be \$8/person or \$20 for a family of three or more. All proceeds from the dinner will go toward the Men’s Annual Retreat in May.

**The Evening Circle Will Meet** tomorrow, April 8, at 6:30 p.m., in the Perdue Library.

**The Morning Circle Will Meet** Tuesday, April 9, at 10:00 a.m., in the Perdue Library.

**Theology on Tap** is next Sunday, April 14, from 7-9 p.m. Hosted by Laura and Dan at their home, all are invited to join us for an informal discussion about all of the issues we encounter in studying God’s word.

**Central’s Youth, Ages 13 & over Will Meet** next Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

**The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held** Sunday, April 21, following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

**The Session Will Meet** Sunday, April 21, in the conference room, following the luncheon.

**Revelation 1:4-8**

- 1:4q John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,
- 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,
- 1:6 and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.
- 1:7 Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.
- 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

**John 20:19-31**

- 20:19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."
- 20:20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
- 20:21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
- 20:22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.
- 20:23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."
- 20:24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.
- 20:25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

- 20:26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."
- 20:27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."
- 20:28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"
- 20:29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."
- 20:30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.
- 20:31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Acts 5:27-32**

- 5:27 When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them,
- 5:28 saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us."
- 5:29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority.
- 5:30 The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree.
- 5:31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.
- 5:32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

**PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 7, 2013**

**MEMBERS:**

**Valerie Reichen**  
**Jo Weaver**  
**Pat Drewett**  
**Ruby Carey**  
**Karen Perdue**  
**Bea Magee**  
**Nell Horne**

**Mildred Turner**  
**Bill Detmers**  
**Bernice and Gene Lackey**  
**Mary Wooten**  
**Hester Insley**  
**Agnes Hughes**  
**Mildred Gaunt**

**THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:**

**Bud Elam**

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:**

**Gwen Simmons**, friend of the church  
**The family of Eddie Lackey**, friend of the Reeves family  
**Judy Curry**, Jo Weaver's hairdresser  
**Ray Nitcher**, friend of Jo Weaver  
**The family of Barbara Simpson**, Denise Mosley's grandmother  
**The family of Katie King**, Michael Chandler's grandmother  
**Doris McCoy**, mother of Kay Cromwell  
**Madison Williams**, acquaintance of Amanda Chandler  
**Nick Tschepikow**, friend of the Festa's  
**Zach Towers**, friend of Austin Howsen  
**Franklin Ward**, uncle of Dana Neal  
**Sherry Costello**, friend of the Cosner family  
**Ruby Cox**, grandmother of Laura Cosner's friend  
**Pat Mosley**, mother of George Mosley  
**Bonita Hankins**, aunt of George Mosley  
**Alyssa and Shawn Brock & their 7-month-old son**, friends of the Cosner family

**Brad Morris**, nephew of Bernice Lackey  
**Kelly Robinson**, friend of Karen & David Perdue  
**Helen Knoll**, grandmother of Amber Poss  
**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  
**Verlon Wright**, friend of the Cosner family  
**Jane Dean**, friend of Mildred Gaunt  
**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 Bea Magee.  
**Helen Gaunt**, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt  
**Sheila Black Yarbrow**, former member  
**(Leah) Pud Harris**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:**

**Mt. Comfort, Fayetteville**

**First, Dardanella**

**OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD:**

**Keith Camferdam**, Air Force  
**Chris Hill**, Army

**Kyle Glover**, Army  
**Josh May**, 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](mailto:centralpc@cablelynx.com).

## **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!  
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