



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
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**Sunday, May 12, 2013**  
**7<sup>TH</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** *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* Nicolai

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The heavens proclaim Your righteousness, O God.

**People:** **And all the peoples behold Your glory.**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!

**People:** **And we shall give thanks to God's holy name!**

**All:** **Let us worship God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #412** *Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Holy God, neither through the doors of this house nor through the gates of Your eternal city may we enter worthily without Your forgiveness and the washing symbolized in baptism. We need the ministry of the Spirit to create in us the desire for the finest things that life offers. Forgive our passions for lesser things unworthy of the princes and princesses of Your royal house. Help us to become worthy of all the good things You send our way. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! Jesus prays for us who have believed in Him through the word of the apostles.

**People:** **Jesus prays that we may be with Him where He is in God's eternal keeping.**

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** *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* Friedell

**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 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

**GOSPEL LESSON** John 17:20-26

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Acts 16:16-34

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** *We Are All Here* Dr. Dan Festa

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

**\*HYMN #355** *Hear the Good News of Salvation*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Als vierzig Tag’ nach Ostern* 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 #298** *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *The Son of God Goes Forth* Paxton

**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: George Mosley**

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.

**Pastor**  
Dr. Dan Festa

**Secretary**  
Erin Shaw

**Choirmaster/Organist**  
Marty Shell

**Nursery Attendant**  
Laura Cosner

**Youth Sponsors**  
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**The Session (Board of Elders)**

<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

**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*

**Correction: Theology on Tap Will Not Meet** this evening in observance of Mother’s Day.

**The Bell Cabinet** has new lights. We thank Steven Howsen for a job well done.

**The Morning Circle Will Meet** on Tuesday, May 14, at 10:00 a.m. in the Perdue Library.

**Sunday, May 19, Is the Day of Pentecost.** The Pentecost offering will be received that morning during worship. Proceeds from this offering go to help children at risk, youth and young adults.

**The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held** Sunday, May 19, following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

**The Session Will Meet** Sunday, May 19, in the conference room, following the luncheon.

**The Church Office Will Be Closed,** Monday May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.

**Our Annual Summer Youth Trip** is right around the corner. This year we will travel to Magic Springs. For more information or to sign-up, see the sheet on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall. Deadline to sign-up is June 2.

**Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21**

- 22:12 "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work.
- 22:13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."
- 22:14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.
- 22:16 "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."
- 22:17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.
- 22:20 The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!
- 22:21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

**John 17:20-26**

- 17:20 "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word,
- 17:21 that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.
- 17:22 The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,
- 17:23 I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.
- 17:24 Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.
- 17:25 "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.
- 17:26 I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

**Acts 16:16-34**

- 16:16 One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling.
- 16:17 While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation."
- 16:18 She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.
- 16:19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities.
- 16:20 When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews
- 16:21 and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe."
- 16:22 The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.
- 16:23 After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely.
- 16:24 Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.
- 16:25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.
- 16:26 Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.
- 16:27 When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.
- 16:28 But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here."
- 16:29 The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.
- 16:30 Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

16:31 They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

16:32 They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.

16:33 At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay.

16:34 He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.



Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Draw us in the Spirit's tether,  
For when humbly in Your name  
Two or three are met together,  
You are in the midst of them;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Touch we now Your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather  
In the name of Christ to sup,  
Then with thanks to God the Father  
Break the bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
So now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living  
Make as sacraments of You,  
That by caring, helping, giving,  
We may be disciples true.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
We will serve with faith anew.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF MAY 12 , 2013

MEMBERS:

Mary Wooten  
Valerie Reichen  
Jo Weaver  
Pat Drewett  
Ruby Carey  
Bea Magee

Nell Horne  
Mildred Turner  
Bernice and Gene Lackey  
Hester Insley  
Agnes Hughes  
Mildred Gaunt

THOSE WITH RESTRICTED MOBILITY AND HOMEBOUND:

Bud Elam

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Suzette Lovett, friend of Erin Shaw  
Cleashindra Hall’s family, cousin of Ryan Shaw  
John Hensley, friend of Laura and Rick Pierce  
Kristina Ward, friend of Amanda and Michael Chandler  
Nancy Mugford, friend Laura and Dan  
The family of Harvey Rodgers, friend of Amanda and Michael Chandler  
Gwen Simmons, friend of the church  
Judy Curry, Jo Weaver’s hairdresser  
Ray Nitcher, friend of Jo Weaver  
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell  
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 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:

First, Hot Springs

Hispanic New Church Developement, Springdale

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.