



Central Presbyterian Church
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
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Sunday, October 26, 2014
30TH 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

from Psalm 104

Laura: "Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great. You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment."

People: **"You stretch out the heavens like a tent, you set the beams of your chambers on the waters, you make the clouds your chariot, you ride on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers."**

Laura: "O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures."

People: **"Praise the LORD!"**

All: **Let us worship God!**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #12** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, forgive us when our lives aren't going as well as we want. When we are discouraged, help us go on. When we are hurting, heal us with your presence. When we are afraid, wrap your arms around us and assure us of your love. Give us confidence and security and help us be your faithful, loving servants. (Silent Prayer) We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord, Have Mercy")

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Laura: Hear the Good News!

People: **The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy. As far as the East is from the West, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

Laura: I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: **Amen!**

***GLORIA PATRI** ("Glory be to the Father") *Hymnal #581*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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 READING Deuteronomy 34:1 - 12

EPISTLE READING 1 Thessalonians 2:1 - 8

GOSPEL READING Matthew 22:34 - 46

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

David S. King

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostle's Creed (Traditional) see insert

***HYMN #707**

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") *Hymnal #607*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS (You are each encouraged to name those whom you love and for whom you pray.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (We use the wording “debts and debtors.”)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #275** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE**

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

Go forth into the world rejoicing. 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 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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Jewelie Mills	Budget & Finance
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& Laura Pierce	Education
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& Lan Kelley	Fellowship & Nurture
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Bill Detmers	
& Marty Shell	Worship & Music

Announcements

Presbyterian Heritage Sunday Will Be Held

here at Central on Sunday, November 2. This is the annual worship when folks from the three Presbyterian churches in Pine Bluff worship together. Please note:

- ▶ Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m.
- ▶ This is also the morning we turn our clocks back to Standard Time. There will be coffee and treats for any who arrive early because they didn't get their clocks changed.
- ▶ We encourage worshipers from the three churches to join us for lunch in McElyea Hall following worship.

There Will Be a Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 9, at the end of worship. The purpose will be to elect a Nominating committee for the Sessional Class of 2016.

The Evening Circle Will Meet

Monday, November 10, at 6:30 p.m., in the Perdue Library

The Presbyterian Women Are Planning

Their Fall Rummage and Bake Sale!

The sale will be Saturday, November 22, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Clean out the closets, utility room, and garage and bring us your "gently used" items! If it's sellable, we want it, except for clothes. Your contributions will help fund Neighbor to Neighbor, CASA, the Salvation Army, and Vera Lloyd. Thank you! See Laura Pierce or Betty Coles for more information.

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain – that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees – as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Scots Confession

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.



Notes on Today's Affirmation of Faith:
The Scots Confession

Presbyterians are a "Confessing Church." We have adopted historic statements of faith such as "The Apostles Creed" and created others as a way of telling the world and reminding ourselves who we are, what we believe, and how we intend to live because of that. They do not take the place of the Bible and are intended to help us focus on the essentials of our faith made clear in the Bible. The Presbyterian Book of Confessions includes fourteen statements of faith, including familiar ones like "The Apostles Creed" and the "Longer" and "Shorter Catechisms."

The Scots Confession was written at a turning point in the history of the Scottish nation. After a bloody civil war England recognized Scottish sovereignty in 1560. The Scottish Parliament declared Scotland a Protestant nation and asked half a dozen Protestant church leaders, including our ancestor in faith, John Knox, to compose a confession of faith. In four days they composed "The Scots Confession." The Church of Scotland is the Presbyterian Church in Scotland.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 26, 2014

MEMBERS:

Mildred Turner
Emil Brown
Bernice and Gene Lackey
Friends and family of Jo Weaver
Logan Mosley
Laura Hayes
Hester Insley

Mary Wooten
Mary Kientz
Agnes Hughes
Valerie Reichen
Bea Magee
Nell Horne
Mildred Gaunt

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Cathryn Bennet and Rhonda Bennett, customers of Laura Cosner
The family of Herman Nickolson, friend and coworker of Bubba VonTungeln
Joshua Chambliss and family, nephew of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
Juliet Walker, sister of Bubba VonTungeln's co-worker
Judy and Larry Fetters, friends of Rose VonTungeln
Rhett Lunningham, nephew of David Judkins
Ryker Cheek, nephew of Bubba VonTungeln
Dad and Stepmom of Vance and Jennifer Freeman, cousins of Amanda Chandler
Betty Seymore, aunt of Pat Drewett
Mary McBee, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Connie Johnson, daycare teacher of Langston Cosner
Johnny & Ginger McCaleb, son and daughter-law of Donna McCaleb
Carolyn Stover, co-worker of Maggie Shell-Howsen & friend of Central

Monica Milligan, mother-in-law of Michael VonTungeln
Brooke Wells, granddaughter of Connie & Bill Detmers
Lou Ann Barker, niece of Frank Merritt
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell
Wanda Vining, mother-in-law of Pat Drewett
Cathy Risinger, sister of Kay Cromwell
Helen Gaunt, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt
Joe Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Mary Ward, mother of Dana Neal
Dan Loomis, former pastor
Matthew Stoddard, nephew of Amanda Chandler's co-worker
John Hensley, friend of Laura and Rick Pierce
Kristina Ward, friend of Amanda and Michael Chandler
Judy Curry, Jo Weaver's hairdresser
Ray Nitcher, friend of Jo Weaver
Franklin Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Cissy Bailey, sister-in-law of Betty Coles
Anne Logan, friend of Jo Weaver

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Helena **West End**, Arkadelphia

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD