



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
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**Sunday, December 28, 2014**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY**

**GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE** *Mary and Joseph Came to the Temple* Haas

**CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 148

Jemmie: "Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!"

**People:** "Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host! Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!"

Jemmie: "Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!"

**People:** "Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven."

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

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #150** *As with Gladness Men of Old*

**FILLING THE BAPTISMAL FONT**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, you reveal your glory at Christmas but often we can't see your light the rest of the year. You give us your Word and we pick and choose our words. Forgive us, Lord, for all the times and ways we have not listened. Open our hearts so you may come in. (Silent Prayer) In Jesus' name we pray all our prayers, Amen.

**KYRIE ELEISON** ("Lord, Have Mercy")

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Jemmie: Friends, hear and believe the Good News!

**People:** In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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.*

**ANTHEM** *Hope, Peace, Joy and Love* Martin

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3

**EPISTLE READING** Galatians 4:4 - 7

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 2:22 - 40

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** David S. King

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Nicene Creed (Traditional) see insert

**\*HYMN #151** *We Three Kings*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Hope of the World* Genevan Psalter

**\*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 #132** *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* Brickman

**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.**

**Ushers: Connie and Bill Detmers Lay Reader: 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.

**Transitional Pastor**

David S. King  
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**Secretary**

Erin Shaw

**Choirmaster/Organist**

Marty Shell

**Nursery Attendant**

**Youth Sponsors**

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**The Session (Board of Elders)**

**Class of 2014**

Tommy Dunlap  
Bill Detmers  
Lan Kelley  
Pat Drewett

**Class of 2015**

Marty Shell  
Betty Coles  
Amanda Chandler  
Jewelie Mills  
Laura Pierce (clerk)

**Standing Committee Moderators**

Jewelie Mills	Budget & Finance
Amanda Chandler	Building & Grounds
Amanda Chandler & Laura Pierce	Education
Tommy Dunlap & Lan Kelley	Fellowship & Nurture
Pat Drewett	Missions & Outreach
Bill Detmers & Marty Shell	Worship & Music

*Announcements*

**The Choir Will Not Meet** Wednesday, December 31.

**2015 Offering Envelopes** are available. They are located on the table in the Narthex.

**Volunteers Are Needed** to serve as Ushers and Lay Reader for January 2015. Please sign the sheet in McElyea Hall if you are willing to serve.

**The Church Office Will Be Closed and Noon Bible Study Will Not Meet** Thursday, January 1, 2015, in observance of New Year’s Day.

**We Will Take Our Christmas Decorations down** on Saturday, January 3, 2015. Volunteers are needed and welcomed.

**There Will Be a PW General Meeting** following worship January 4, 2015, in the Perdue Library.

**The Session Has Called a Meeting of the Congregation** for Sunday, January 11, at the end of worship. The purpose of the meeting will be to hear and act on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee.

**The Men's Fellowship Group Will Have a Chili Fundraiser Luncheon** on January 11, 2015, following the morning worship service. We hope to see everyone there!

**Isaiah 61:10-62:3**

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

**Galatians 4:4-7**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

**Luke 2:22-40**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; 0 for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed--and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

**Hope, Peace, Joy and Love**

Hope is like a candle burning in the night.  
Hope paints every shadow with its gentle light.  
Glowing like a promise till our faith is sight,  
Hope is like a candle in the night.

Peace is like sweet music sounding pure and strong  
Singing songs of comfort when the night is long  
Turning drums of hatred into heaven's song.  
Peace is like sweet music pure and strong.

Joy is like a flower blooming in the soul  
Sending forth it's fragrance to heal and make us whole.  
And when bitter winds are blowing,  
When birds refuse to sing,  
Joy can turn our winter into spring.

Love is like a diamond wrapped in purest gold.  
Nothing is more precious, nothing bought or sold.  
Pearl of heaven's glory, wondrous to behold.  
Love is like a diamond wrapped in gold.

Joy is like a flower,  
Peace is like sweet music.  
Hope is like a candle in the night.

**CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 28, 2014**

*MEMBERS:*  
**Mary Wooten**  
**Logan Mosley**  
**Bernice and Gene Lackey**  
**Hester Insley**  
**Mary Kientz**

**Agnes Hughes**  
**Valerie Reichen**  
**Bea Magee**  
**Nell Horne**  
**Mildred Gaunt**

*FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:*  
**Tim Reeves**, uncle of Laura Cosner  
**Jim Miller**, friend of the church  
**Ronnie Panks**, father of Bubba VonTungeln's friend  
**Rev. Jim Miller**, friend of the church  
**Perry Reynolds**, friend of the Jane & David Judkins  
**Betty Neal**, mother-in-law of Dana Neal  
**Lori Partridge**, friend of Rose VonTungeln  
**Carol Langley**, customer of Laura Cosner  
**Mary Ward**, mother of Dana Neal  
**Annette Knuckles**, co-worker of Tommy Dunlap  
**Cathryn Bennet and Rhonda Bennett**, customers of Laura Cosner  
**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  
**Johnny & Ginger McCaleb**, son and daughter-law of Donna McCaleb  
**Brooke Wells**, granddaughter of Connie & Bill Detmers  
**Monica Milligan**, mother-in-law of Michael VonTungeln  
**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  
**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

*PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:*  
**Kirk of the Hills**, Fairfield Bay

**One-O-One Church**, Gamaliel

*OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD*