



Central Presbyterian Church
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
(870) 879-9074
Sunday, July 13, 2014
15TH 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 *In Remembrance* Rasley

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 119

Leader: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
People: **Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances. I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.**
Leader: The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.
People: **Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart. I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.**
All: **Let us worship God!**

***OPENING HYMN #316** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the beauty of creation and the beauty of human life. Forgive us when we don't cherish the gifts that your give us and help us share our blessings with our sisters and brothers, so we may all experience the joy of life in your presence.
(Silent Prayer) Through Jesus we pray, Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the Good News!
People: **Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**
Leader: 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 #579*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *In Remembrance* Red

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 Genesis 25:19 - 34

EPISTLE READING Romans 8:1 - 11

GOSPEL READING Matthew 13:1 - 9, 18 - 23

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

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

***HYMN #513** *Let us Break Bread Together*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Gott hat das Evangelium* 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 name those whom you love and for whom you pray.)

COMMUNION (See insert)

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

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #514** *Let us Talents and Tongues Employ*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE** *The Lord God Has Spoken It* Paxton

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

Go forth into the world 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: Lan and Mike Kelley Lay Reader: Rick Pierce

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.

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The Session (Board of Elders)

<u>Class of 2014</u>	<u>Class of 2015</u>
Tommy Dunlap	Marty Shell
Jo Weaver	Betty Coles
Lan Kelley	Amanda Chandler
Pat Drewett	Jewelie Mills
Bill Detmers	Laura Pierce (clerk)

Standing Committee Moderators

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

Announcements

Join Us for "Weird Animals" VBS July 17-19. On Thursday and Friday evening, we will meet from 5:30 - 8 p.m. On Saturday, we will meet from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. We will explore how everyone, no matter how different, is loved by Jesus! You can help by donating cash or food for the children at VBS. If you'd like to donate, please contact Marty Shell. We will also need desserts to be provided for the Saturday of VBS. Please contact Amanda Chandler or Laura Pierce with any questions or if you would like to help out.

VBS Will Also Include a class for adults. Join us for "Presbyterian 101," a look at who we Presbyterians are and what is important to us. Speak with Dave for more information.

The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held Sunday, July 20, following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

The Session Will Meet Sunday, July 20, in the conference room, following the luncheon.

The Deadline for the August Issue of the Central Scene is **Tuesday, July 22**. Please turn in all articles, announcements, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day

Neighbor to Neighbor’s School Supply Drive Is Underway. Central has been asked to provide 60, 1 inch, 3-ring binders. Binders may be placed on or around the round table in McElyea Hall. The deadline is July 23.

Genesis 25:19-34

25:19 These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac,

25:20 and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean.

25:21 Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived.

25:22 The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD.

25:23 And the LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger."

25:24 When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb.

25:25 The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau.

25:26 Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

25:27 When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents.

25:28 Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

25:29 Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished.

25:30 Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.)

25:31 Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright."

25:32 Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?"

25:33 Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.

25:34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Romans 8:1-11

8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

8:3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

8:4 so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

8:5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

8:6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

8:7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed it cannot,

8:8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

8:9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

8:10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

8:11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

13:1 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea.

13:2 Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach.

13:3 And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow.

13:4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up.

13:5 Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil.

13:6 But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away.

13:7 Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them.

13:8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

13:9 Let anyone with ears listen!"

13:18 "Hear then the parable of the sower.

13:19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path.

13:20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy;

13:21 yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.

13:22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing.

13:23 But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."



In Remembrance

In remembrance of me, eat this bread
In remembrance of me, drink this wine,
In remembrance of me, pray for the time,
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above,
But in your heart, in your heart
Look in your heart for God.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick,
In remembrance of m, feed the poor,
In remembrance of me open the door
And let your brother in, let him in.

Do this in remembrance of me
In remembrance of me.

Take, eat, and be comforted,
Drink, and remember, too.
That this is my body and precious blood
Shed for you.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF JULY 13, 2014

MEMBERS:

M.L. McElyea
Mary Wooten
Jo Weaver
Mary Kientz
Agnes Hughes
Bernice and Gene Lackey

Valerie Reichen
Bea Magee
Nell Horne
Hester Insley
Mildred Gaunt

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Betty Seymore, aunt of Pat Drewett
Mary McBee, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Connie Johnson, daycare teacher of Langston Cosner
Linda Allen, customer of Laura Cosner
Tabitha Wilson, Laura Cosner
Chris Cook, request of Laura Cosner
Johnny & Ginger McCaleb, son and daughter–law of Donna McCaleb
Harrylene Moore, grandmother of Laura Cosner
Dennis Boshers, uncle of Zac Cosner
Carolyn Stover, co-worker of Maggie Shell-Howsen & friend of Central
Herman Nickolson, friend and coworker of Bubba VonTungeln
Marilyn Hutcheson, request of Rose VonTungeln
Monica Milligan, mother-in-law of Michael VonTungeln
Brooke Wells, granddaughter of Connie & Bill Detmers
Terry & Nathan Bearden, request of Laura Cosner
Lou Ann Barker, niece of Frank Merritt
Andy & Amanda Scott, former co-worker of Zac Cosner
Joe Pullman, request of Laura Cosner
Carolyn Brown, friend of the Cosner’s

Dawn Trout, co-worker and friend of Rick Pierce
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
Miranda Goldman, daughter of Suzy VonTungeln’s coworker
Judy Fetters, friend of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
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
Brad Morris, nephew of Bernice Lackey
Kelly Robinson, friend of Karen & David Perdue
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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Bar Memorial, Norman

Hopewell Church, Morrilton

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD:

Keith Camferdam, Air Force

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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

This is the joyful feast of the people of God! According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, creator, redeemer, sustainer of all. You made your covenant with us, calling us to love and serve you. When we are wandering in sin you forgive us and lead us home. We give thanks for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lived and died and rose for us, and is coming in glory to reign.

With thanksgiving, we remember how Jesus took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat. Do this in remembrance of me." With thanksgiving, we remember how Jesus took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. As often as you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Remembering Christ's saving love, we celebrate this holy meal and offer ourselves to you, O God, with gratitude and praise.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, on your people gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. By your Spirit make us one body in Christ, one in mission and ministry to the world. Nourish us in faith, hope, and love, and strengthen us for service, until we feast with you in glory. All praise and honor and glory are yours, holy God, now and forever. **Amen.**

COMMUNION

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Beginning with the back pew and working toward the front, please come to the front using the center aisle. Break off a piece of bread and dip it into the cup. After you have communed please return to your seat using the side aisles.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this holy meal and united us with Christ. Strengthen us in your service so that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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