



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, November 8, 2015
32ND 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 *I'll Praise My Maker* Greiter

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 146

Laura: "Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long."

People: "Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever."

Laura: "Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous."

People: "The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations."

All: "Let us worship God!"

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #761** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Gracious God, too often we find ourselves acting as though we had never experienced your grace and your love. Too often we count on the things of our culture to make us happy and to separate us from people who don't measure up to our standards. Forgive us when we fall short of what you expect. Move within us to make us see the values of your kingdom, O God. Help us hear your Good News in new and fresh ways." (Silent Prayer) "In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord, Have Mercy")

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Laura: "The Scriptures assure us that 'the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.' In the name of Jesus Christ, know that we are forgiven."

People: "Thanks be to God. Amen!"

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Oh for a Thousand Tongues* Binion

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 Ruth 3:1 - 5, 4:13 - 17

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 9:24 - 28

GOSPEL READING Mark 12:38 - 44

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Scots Confession

David S. King

*HYMN #708

We Give Thee but Thine Own

see insert

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

O du Liebe meiner Liebe

Bach

*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 #697

Take My Life and Let It Be

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

POSTLUDE**

Allergro Vivace

Handel

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: Lynda Vick

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.

- Transitional Pastor

David S. King
- Secretary

Erin Shaw
- ChoirMaster/Organist

Marty Shell
- Nursery Attendant
- Youth Sponsor

Marty Shell
- Website:

www.centralprespb.com
- The Session

Class of 2015

Marty Shell

Betty Coles

Amanda Chandler

Laura Pierce (clerk)

Class of 2016

Nelson Buchanan

Bill Detmers

Tommy Dunlap

Jemmie Moseley
- Standing Committee Moderators

Betty Coles

Amanda Chandler

Nelson Buchanan

Laura Pierce

Amanda Chandler

Tommy Dunlap

Bill Detmers

Jemmie Moseley

Marty Shell

Budget & Finance

Building & Grounds

Education

Fellowship & Nurture

Missions & Outreach

Worship & Music

Pastor Nominating Committee

Kay Cromwell

Lawrence Fikes

Mike Kelley

Denise Mosley

Marty Shell (chair)
- Announcements
- The Session Has Called a Meeting of the Congregation** this morning following worship to elect a committee to nominate elders for our Session next year.

Neighbor to Neighbor's Holiday Projects Are Underway! Central has been asked to provide 75 cans of **sweet potatoes** (not cranberry sauce) by Tuesday, December 1, for the Christmas baskets. Cans may be placed in the box behind the round table in McElyea Hall. We have also been asked to consider sponsoring 8 or more children for Christmas. A donation of \$60 per child will insure that a child will wake up Christmas morning with toys and gifts under their tree. Any and all contributions are appreciated. For more information contact Neighbor to Neighbor at (870) 534-2883.

The Evening Circle Will Meet tomorrow, November 9, at 6:30 p.m., in the Perdue Library.

The Men of the Church Will Meet Saturday, November 14, at 8 a.m., at Corner Café.

The Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering Will Be Received Sunday, November 15.

The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Sunday, November 15, following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

Come and Join Us for the Annual PW Fall Bake Sale on Saturday, November 21, at 9 a.m. Everyone is asked to start putting aside sale items (puzzles, books & jewelry only, please) and begin thinking about what baked goods and/or casseroles they might want to contribute to the sale. Items for the sale may be placed in the conference room. Proceeds from the sale will go toward PW mission projects throughout the year. For more information, call the church office.

Lectinary Readings for Sunday, November 8 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Hebrews 9:24-28

For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Mark 12:38-44

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."



Welcome to our worship. We hope this time together in God's presence will refresh you and energize you in God's service. To help us all experience God's Good News more fully, we encourage you to visit with those around you before and after worship and to maintain a respectful silence during worship. Please turn off cellphones and other electronic devices and end conversations when worship begins. There are materials in the Narthex for children during worship, and Preschoolers may go to the Nursery following the Childrens' Sermon. Worship ends following the musical Postlude. May God bless us as we worship and when we go back into the world as God's People.

Oh For A Thousand Tongues

Glory to the Lamb,
Whose throne forever reigns
God in the highest,
Worthy to merit our praise.

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
Praises unto Thee;
Oh, for a thousand hands to raise
In honor to the King.

We crown You with singing,
Our lips shall utter Your praise
In humble adoration,
In endless refrain,

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
Praises unto Thee;
Oh, for a thousand hands to raise
In honor to the King.

Oh for a thousand hands to raise
In honor, in glory, in honor, in glory,
In honor to the King.
In honor to the King.
The King!



CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8, 2015

MEMBERS:

The family of Richard Perdue
Bill Detmers
Emil Brown
Jemmie Moseley
Lynda Vick
Denise Mosley
Valerie Reichen

Bernice and Gene Lackey
Mary Wooten
Donna McCaleb
Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Maria Wells, daughter of Connie & Bill Detmers
Emma Massey, niece of Laura and Zac Cosner
Mary Ward, mother of Dana Neal
The family of Larry Fetters, friend of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
Cathy Risinger, sister of Kay Cromwell
Betty Seymore, aunt of Pat Drewett
Scott Howell, son of friend of Jemmie Moseley and Lynda Vick
Scott McGeorge, friend of Laurence Fikes
Jay Johnson, friend of Amanda Chandler
Jerry Conley, friend of the Shell family
Dorothy Soto, friend of Lynda Vick
Kevin Rushing, friend of Laura Pierce
Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell
Randy Shell, brother of Marty Shell
Lois Tucker, neighborhood friend of the Mosley family
Georgiana Burnside, daughter of Amanda Chandler's co-worker
Jennifer Place, friend of Laura & Zac Cosner

Rhett Lunningham, nephew of David Judkins
Pam Panks, mother of Bubba VonTungeln's friend
Rev. Jim Miller, friend of the church
Perry Reynolds, friend of the Jane & David Judkins
Lori Partridge, friend of Rose VonTungeln
Annette Knuckles, co-worker of Tommy Dunlap
Joshua Chambliss and family, nephew of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
Juliet Walker, sister of Bubba VonTungeln's co-worker
Ryker Cheek, nephew of Bubba VonTungeln
Mary McBee, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Wanda Vining, mother-in-law of Pat Drewett
Helen Gaunt, sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt
Joe Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Dan Loomis, former pastor
John Hensley, friend of Laura and Rick Pierce
Franklin Ward, uncle of Dana Neal
Cissy Bailey, sister-in-law of Betty Coles

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Campus and Camp Ministries

Hospital Chaplains and Counselors

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

Help us keep our Prayer list up-to-date. If you have family or friends who need to be added or removed from the Prayer Concerns list, please let Erin know.

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.