



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
(870) 879-9074  
Sunday, April 12, 2015  
**SECOND 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**

**CHORAL PRELUDE #413**      *Come into God's Presence*  
Congregation & Choir, all verses

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 133

Amanda: "How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!"  
People: "It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes."  
Amanda: "It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore."  
All: "Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to its setting, the Lord's name be praised!"

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #234**    *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain*

**FILLING THE BAPTISMAL FONT**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

"Lord God, forgive us when we find the truth of Easter so hard to believe, as Jesus' friends did when he came to them again. Forgive us when we give in to despair, as they did. Forgive us when it seems that death is the end. Forgive us when it takes so much to convince us of the hope that you give to the world. Help us remember how you finally appeared, in all your risen glory, and help us live where the smoldering embers of faith are rekindled." (Silent Prayer) "Hear our prayers, in Jesus' name, Amen."

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

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Amanda: "Friends, rejoice and believe in the Good News of Easter!"

People: "In Jesus Christ, our sins 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** *Christ Is Risen! Sing Alleluia!*      Carter

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**EPISTLE READING**      1 John 1:1 - 2:2

**GOSPEL READING**      John 20:19 - 31

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON**

David S. King

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**      The Nicene Creed

see insert

**\*HYMN #236**      *The Strife is O'er*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**                      *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God*                      Carter

**\*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 #238**      *Thine is the Glory*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\***                      *The Risen Christ!*                      Peterson

**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 Detemers      Lay Reader: Amanda Chandler**

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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David S. King  
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**The Session (Board of Elders)**

<u>Class of 2015</u>	<u>Class of 2016</u>
Marty Shell	Nelson Buchanan
Betty Coles	Bill Detmers
Amanda Chandler	Tommy Dunlap
Jewelie Mills	Nevada Mills
Laura Pierce (clerk)	Jemmie Moseley

**Standing Committee Moderators**

Jewelie Mills	
Betty Coles	Budget & Finance
Amanda Chandler	
Nelson Buchanan	Building & Grounds
Laura Pierce	
Amanda Chandler	Education
Tommy Dunlap	Fellowship & Nurture
Nevada Mills	
Bill Detmers	Missions & Outreach
Jemmie Moseley	
Marty Shell	Worship & Music

*Announcements*

**Thank You to All** who provided lilies to brighten our Easter worship, to those who prepared and served our Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday meals, to all of you who presented such challenging and uplifting music during Lent and at Easter, to those who took part and those who attended the Good Friday Worship at First Presbyterian, and to all who contributed to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

**The Men of the Church Will Host** a Spaghetti Fundraiser this afternoon morning worship.

**All of You Who Are in Sixth Grade and up Are Invited** to a special time just for you this afternoon from 4:00 to 5:00. We hope to see you there!

**The Evening Circle Will Meet** tomorrow, April 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Perdue Library.

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

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

**The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Will Meet** Sunday, April 19, in the Perdue Library following the luncheon. This will be their organizational meeting with our representatives from the Committee on Ministry.

**Acts 4:32-35**

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

**Psalms 133**

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

**1 John 1:1-2:2**

1:1 We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**John 20:19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Christ is Risen Sing Alleluia**

Christ is risen Sing Alleluia Raise we now the gladsome strain.  
From the grave where death once held Him, Now He lives to love and reign.  
We behold the joyous triumph of our Prince, our Lord, our King.  
Hail Him now, all earth and heaven, Come, ye faithful, rejoice and sing.

Christ is risen sing Alleluia, See, the stone is rolled away.  
Resurrected love proclaiming. Celebrate this glad new day.  
We shall reign with Him in glory, Sons and daughters of a King.  
Spread abroad His truth and triumph. Come, ye faithful rejoice and sing.

Christ is risen, Sing Alleluia, Battle fought and victory won.  
Cross behind and throne before Him. Love's redeeming work is done.  
Now in glory He awaits us, Christ, the Lamb, now Christ the King.  
Unto Him be laud and honor, Come, ye faithful, rejoice and sing.

Christ is risen, Sing Alleluia, Land to land and sky to sea.  
Joy renews the whole creation, chains are broken, captives free.  
Claim the Kingdom, claim the power, claim the crown that crowns Him King.  
Let the whole wide earth adore Him, Come, ye faithful, rejoice and sing.  
Rejoice and Sing, rejoice, rejoice, rejoice and sing.



**Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**

Create in me a clean heart, O God;  
Create in me a clean heart, O God;  
Create in me a clean heart, O God;  
And renew a right spirit within me.

**CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2015**

*MEMBERS:*

**Jemmie Moseley**  
**Mary Wooten**  
**Donna McCaleb**  
**Mildred Gaunt**  
**Logan Mosley**  
**Bernice and Gene Lackey**

**Hester Insley**  
**Mary Kientz**  
**Valerie Reichen**  
**Bea Magee**  
**Nell Horne**

*FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:*

**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  
**Elaine Powers**, friend of Brianna Rodriguez  
**Judy Buchanan**, wife of Nelson Buchanan  
**Doris McCoy**, mother of Kay Cromwell  
**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  
**Mary Ward**, mother of Dana Neal  
**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  
**Judy and Larry Fetters**, friends of Rose VonTungeln

**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  
**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  
**Franklin Ward**, uncle of Dana Neal  
**Cissy Bailey**, sister-in-law of Betty Coles

*PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:*

**Good Shepherd**, Greenwood

**Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista**

*OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD*