



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, September 13, 2015
24TH 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 *God Is Love* Southbridge

CALL TO WORSHIP

Amanda: "The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge."

People: "There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world."

Amanda: "In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy."

People: "Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat."

All: "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O LORD, our rock and our redeemer."

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

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Lord, you show us your way and sometimes it frightens us. In all our uncertainties, in our stumbling and our falling, show us your mercy and give us the power of your grace. Help us feel your touch in our hearts and our minds and our bodies, so we may walk your path in faith and service."
(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

Amanda: "May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins and restore us in his image. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace."

People: "Thanks be to God. Amen!"

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *There Is A Place of Quiet Rest* McAfee

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

COMMISSIONING OF OUR CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS AND

RECOGNITION OF OUR STUDENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 1:20 - 33

EPISTLE READING James 3:1 - 12

GOSPEL READING Mark 8:27 - 38

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

David S. King

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from *A Brief Statement of Faith* see insert

***HYMN #707** *Take Thou our Minds, Dear Lord*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Ich freue mich in dir* 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 #157** *I Danced in the Morning*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE** *The Glory-Land Way* Torbett

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: 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.

Transitional Pastor David S. King	Secretary Erin Shaw
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Announcements

Today is Rally Day. We will officially begin our new Christian Education Year this morning by recognizing all those who participate in the education and nurture of our members.

Reminder: The Noon Bible Study Group Will Meet on Wednesday this week. All are welcome to join us.

The Choir Will Not Meet this Wednesday, September 16.

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

The Session Will Meet Sunday, September 20, in the conference room, following the Fellowship Luncheon.

The Deadline for the October Issue of the Central Scene is **Monday, September 21.** Please turn in all articles, announcements, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.

First Presbyterian Church Farmer’s Market. First Presbyterian Farmer’s Market is open on Tuesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. The market will be open until September 29.

Lectinary Readings for Sunday, September 13 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

"How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,

and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you,

when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.

Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD,

would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof,

therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices.

For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them;

but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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.



There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

There is a place of quiet rest,
Near the the heart of God.
A place where sin cannot molest,
Near to the heart of God

There is a place of comfort sweet,
Near to the heart of God,
A place where we our Savior meet,
Near to the heart of God.

There is a place of full release,
Near to the heart of God.
A place where all is joy and peace,
Near to the heart of God.

Refrain

O Jesus, blest Redeemer,
Sent from the heart of God.
Hold us, who wait before thee,
Near to the heart of God.

CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

MEMBERS:

***Bill Detmers
Emil Brown
Jemmie Moseley
Lynda Vick
Nell Horne
Denise Mosley
Valerie Reichen***

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

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

***The family of Gwen Shell, friend of Central
David Ibemesi and family, brother of Erin Shaw
Suzette Lovett and family, friend of Erin Shaw
Betty Seymore, aunt of Pat Drewett
Scott Howell, son of friend of Jemmie Moseley and
Lynda Vick
Scott McGeorge, friend of Laurence Fikes
Cathy Cosner, mother of Zac Cosner
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
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
Ryker Cheek, nephew of Bubba VonTungeln
Mary McBee, friend of Karen & David Perdue
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
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:

Central, Pine Bluff ***First, Little Rock***

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD