



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, January 17, 2016
2ND 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 36

Karen: "Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds."

People: "Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgements are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD. How precious is your steadfast love, O God!"

Karen: "They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights."

People: "For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart."

All: "Let us worship God!"

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #12** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Gracious God, we confess that we often turn from you and wander in our own wildernesses. You offer your love to us but we turn away because we can't believe you actually love us. Our hearts are not placed in service to others and we spend too much time worrying needlessly about our own needs. Help us to be faithful servants and to give thanks for all your blessings." (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

Karen: "Friends, hear what God promises."

People: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

All: "This is the good news! We belong to God! Amen!"

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: "As Christ has given each of us Peace, let us extend it now to our Neighbors. The Peace of Christ be with you!"

People: "And also with you." (Please extend the right hand of fellowship to those around you by saying: "The Peace of Christ be with you!")

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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 62:1 - 5

EPISTLE READING I Corinthians 12:1 - 11

GOSPEL READING John 2:1 - 11

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dave King

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from *The Confession of 1967*

see insert

***HYMN #39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY**

***DOXOLOGY** ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") *Hymnal #607*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION see insert

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 #300** *We Are One in the Spirit*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE**

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: Zac Cosner Lay Reader: Karen Perdue



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.

Pastor David S. King	Secretary Erin Shaw
Guest Organist Donald Walker	Nursery Attendant
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The Session <u>Class of 2016</u> Nelson Buchanan Tommy Dunlap Jemmie Moseley Benjimen Neal	<u>Class of 2017</u> Denise Mosley Laura Cosner Betty Coles Marty Shell
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Pastor Nominating Committee Kay Cromwell Lawrence Fikes Mike Kelley Denise Mosley Marty Shell (chair)	

Announcements

The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Is Today following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

The Session Will Meet this afternoon, in the conference room, following the Fellowship Luncheon.

The Church Office Will Be Closed Monday, January 18, in observance of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Erin Will Be out of the Office Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19 & 20. She will return to the office on Thursday, January 21.

The Men's Chili Luncheon Will Be Saturday Jan. 30th at 11 am. The cost will be \$7 per person and \$20 per family of 3 or more. To go orders will be available for purchase! The proceeds raised will go toward various projects around the church and fund the Men's bi-annual retreat. The men have previously used funds raised to paint the fences around the building, construct the VBS mural, and sponsor children at Christmas. We thank everyone for their support and hope to see everyone there!

A Blue Moon Family Bingo & Potluck Night Is Scheduled for Sunday, January 31, at 5:30 p.m., in McElyea Hall. See the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall for more details.

Lectionary for Sunday, January 17- 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 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.

2 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.

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

4 You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.

5 For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalms 36:5-10

5 Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

10 O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

John 2:1-11

1 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
from "The Confession of 1967"

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all men stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all men.

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for man. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.



Notes on Today's Affirmation of Faith:
from "The Confession of 1967"

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 Confession of 1967" was written as two major Presbyterian bodies were on a path toward becoming one. It spoke to a time of great stress in our country, as we tried to deal with an increasingly unpopular war in Vietnam, breaking down of long-standing racial barriers, and a growing movement for equality of women. It was built around the theme expressed by Paul in II Corinthians: "God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself." It begins with the paragraphs we read together this morning.

CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2016

MEMBERS:

Emil Brown
Lynda Vick
Valerie Reichen
Bernice and Gene Lackey
Mary Wooten

Donna McCaleb
Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Helen Knoll, great-grandmother of Amber Poss
Barbara Byrne, customer of Laura Cosner
The family of Lenon Buie, friends of Erin Shaw
The family of Judy Buchanan, wife of Nelson Buchanan
Carla & Brad Young, co-worker of Denise Mosley
Kathleen Simpson, mother of Denise Mosley
Don Neal, great-uncle of Benjimen Neal
Audrey Brooks, mother-in-law of Nelson Buchanan
Steven Lee, uncle of Amber Poss
Mary Ward, mother of Dana Neal
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
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
Dan Loomis, former pastor
John Hensley, friend of Laura and Rick Pierce
Franklin Ward, uncle of Dana Neal

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Benton **Acting Ruling Elders**

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.

Service of Ordination and Installation

Dave: Paul wrote, "there are varieties of gifts,"
People: **"But it is the same Spirit that gives them."**
Dave: "There are different ways of serving God,"
People: **"But it is the same Lord who is served."**
All: **"God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished."**

To those to be ordained and installed:

You have been called have been called through election by this church to serve as ruling elders. Please show you're agreement by answering these questions.

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

I do.

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

I do.

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

I do and I will.

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

I will.

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

I will.

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

I will.

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

I do.

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

I will.

Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will.

To the congregation:

Do we, the members of the church, accept Benjimen Neal, Denise Mosley, Laura Cosner, Betty Coles, and Marty Shell as ruling elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

The people respond:

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

Those to be ordained shall kneel, if able, for prayer and the laying on of hands by the session. Those previously ordained ordinarily shall stand, along with the congregation, if able, for the prayer of installation. All those in the congregation who have been ordained as elders are invited to participate in the laying on of hands.

To those who have thus been ordained and installed:

You are now ruling elders and deacons in the Church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Amen.