



Happy Easter
He is Risen! Alleluia!



Central Presbyterian Church
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GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

***Note:** During Lent we will be remembering the promises God makes and the promises we make in our Baptism. As you enter for worship or during the Prelude, we invite you to go to the Baptismal Font just inside the entrance to the Sanctuary, dip a finger or two into the water, touch your forehead, and remember your own baptism. Say to yourself "God loves me" or "I am one of God's people," then be seated, ready for worship.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing Schelat

CALL TO WORSHIP

Zac: "Christ is risen!."

People: "Christ is risen!"

Zac: "The Lord is risen!"

People: "The Lord is risen indeed!"

Zac: "Do not be afraid. I know you were looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said!"

All: "Alleluia! Be glad and shout for joy! Let us give thanks to God!"

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #232** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"God of us all: thousands of years ago you called people we read about in the Bible to travel with you on faith's great adventure. We give thanks in our time that you are traveling with us as you did with them. Sometimes your way seems uncertain. Sometimes the road is hard. Sometimes we get discouraged and we lose track of your path. Shine your light on the road before us. Help us look back at where we have been and see the mistakes that we have made. Help us look ahead and help us walk together into your future. Help us learn to love you more deeply and to share your love with all who travel with us." (Silent Prayer) "We pray in the name of our Risen Lord, Amen!"

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord, Have Mercy")

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Zac: "Friends, remember that the LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. God will not always accuse, nor will God be angry forever."

People: "God does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for those who respect God. As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us."

All: "We will not fear, for God has redeemed us; God called us by name, we are God's forgiven people. Amen!"

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

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 65:17 - 25

EPISTLE READING I Cor. 15:19 - 26

GOSPEL READING John 12: 1 - 8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dave King

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

see insert

*HYMN #233 *The Day of Resurrection*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Christ ist erstanden*

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 #245 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE** *Fanfare for a Resurrection Day*

Scott

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: The Mosley Family

Lay Reader: Zac Cosner

Lectionary for Sunday, March 27 - Easter/Resurrection of the Lord

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD-- and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent--its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2016

MEMBERS:

Emil Brown
Bill VonTungeln
Logan Mosley
Mary Wooten
Valerie Reichen

Donna McCaleb
Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Miriam Jennings, mother of a co-worker of Zac Cosner
Jo Brown, dear friend of Karen & David Perdue
Al White, III, friend of Karen & David Perdue
Lois Tucker, neighbor of The Mosley family
Allen Wimberly, Benjimen Neal & Avery Peyton’s band director
Daniel Conner, customer of Laura Cosner
Helen Knoll, great-grandmother of Amber Poss
Barbara Byrne, customer of Laura Cosner
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
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:

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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.

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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Announcements

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Will Be Received this morning. For more information, see the insert in this morning’s bulletin.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Notes on Today's Affirmation of Faith:
The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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 Apostles' Creed was not written by the Apostles, as some thought in the very earliest days of the Christian movement. It developed as faithful followers of Christ tried to combat others whose teachings did not conform to the teachings of the Early church. An early form of it in Rome dates back to about 180 A.D. Few of the early members of the Church were able to read, so they had to memorize some of the basics of their faith to be admitted to the Church. Many of those statements were built on that early form and over the centuries other phrases were added as new issues arose. By the Eighth Century A.D. it had developed into the form we still use today. Some of the language of that time is still included, such as the word "catholic," which didn't refer to the Roman Catholic Church, but is a word used to mean "world-wide" or "universal."