



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, April 17, 2016
4TH 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

PRELUDE *Be Still and Know* McAfee

CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura: We gather in the presence of God,
People: where grieving people and children with skinned knees have their tears wiped away.

Laura: We gather with the people of God, who worship the One who provides what we need, not just what we want.
People: We gather around the Font and the Table of Our Lord, where God feeds us with grace and wonder, where God pours the living waters upon us. Let us worship God!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #362** *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Lord God, you made the disciples glad with the Good News of Easter. Forgive us when we are like they were at first, when we struggle to be like they were as your grace moved and grew within them. Forgive us when it is so hard for us to see how that makes a difference in our lives. Rekindle the embers of faith in our hearts and minds, and strengthen us with your love." (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

Laura: "Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace."
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 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Althouse
Soloists: Laura Cosner, Denise Mosley, and Benjimen Neal

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 Psalm 23

EPISTLE READING Acts 9:36 - 43

GOSPEL READING John 10:22 - 30

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dave King

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

see insert

***HYMN #300**

We Are One In The Spirit

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Der Herr ist mein steuere Hirt* Bach
(The Lord Is My Faithful Shepherd)

***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 #81** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE** *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us* Bradbury

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 Neal Family **Lay Reader: Laura Cosner**

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
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Betty Coles	Budget & Finance
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Jemmie Moseley & Marty Shell	Worship & Music
Pastor Nominating Committee	
Kay Cromwell	
Lawrence Fikes	
Mike Kelley	
Denise Mosley	
Marty Shell (chair)	

Announcements

The Monthly Fellowship Luncheon Will Be Held today following morning worship. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

The Deadline for the May Issue of *Central Scene* is tomorrow, April 18. Please turn in all articles, announcements, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.

Patsy and Dave Will Be Leaving on Vacation the next two weeks.. Our friend Bo Lewis will lead the worship on April 24 and May 1.

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."

Lectionary for Sunday, April 10 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

Psalms 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

3 he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Acts 9:36-43

36 Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. 37 At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." 39 So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. 40 Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. 42 This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. 43 Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

John 10:22-30

22 At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; 26 but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. 27 My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. 30 The Father and I are one."



My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My shepherd will supply my need:
Jehovah is His name.
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.

He brings thy wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways:
And leads me for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,
Your presence is my stay,
One word of Your supporting breath
Drive all my fears away.

Your hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread.
My cup with blessings overflows;
Your oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days.
O may Your house be my abode,
And all my work be praise.

There would I find a settled rest
While others go and come.
No more a stranger, nor a guest,
But like a child at home.

My shepherd will supply my need;
Jehovah is His name.

CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2016

MEMBERS:

The Howsen Family
Bernice Lackey
Emil Brown
Bill VonTungeln
Mary Wooten
Valerie Reichen

Donna McCaleb
Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Doris McCoy, mother of Kay Cromwell
Mary Ward, mother of Dana Neal
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
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
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:

Central, Fort Smith *Active Deacons*

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.