



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, June 19, 2016
12TH 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 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* Fishel

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 42

Karen: "My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, 'Where is your God?'"

People: **"These things we remember, as we pour out our souls: how we went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival."**

Karen: "By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life."

People: **"Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?"**

All: **"Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God. Let us worship God."**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #318** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Lord God, we come to you this morning to worship you, to praise you, and to ask you to forgive us. We hear the stories and the promises of your forgiveness, but too often our lives revolve around what we want, not around You. We want too much of what others have and forget that You are the one we need to serve. We look for love and happiness in ways that

will never bring us peace or lasting joy. Hear our silent prayers of confession." (Silent Prayer) In the Name of Jesus, our Savior, 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: "God Almighty will have mercy on us, pardon us, and deliver us from all our sins, and give us eternal life with Him. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace."

All: **"Thanks be 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

ANTHEM *On Jericho Road* McCrossan
Soloist, Laura Cosner

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 1 Kings 19:1 - 4, 8 - 15a

GOSPEL READING Luke 8:26 -- 39

EPISTLE READING Galatians 3:23 - 29

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON David S. King

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) see insert

***HYMN #824** *There Is a Place of Quiet Rest*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *As Morning Dawns (Psalm 5)* Wareham

***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 #169** *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE** *This Is My Father’s World* Sheppard

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 Howsen Family 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.

Transitional Pastor
David S. King

Secretary
Erin Shaw

Choirmaster/Organist
Marty Shell

Nursery Attendant

Youth Advisory Team
Marty Shell
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The Session
Class of 2016

Nelson Buchanan
Tommy Dunlap
Jemmie Moseley
Benjimen Neal

Class of 2017
Denise Mosley
Laura Cosner
Betty Coles (clerk)
Marty Shell

Standing Committee Moderators

Betty Coles	Budget & Finance
Nelson Buchanan	Building & Grounds
Denise Mosley	Education
Laura Cosner	Fellowship & Nurture
	Missions & Outreach

Jemmie Moseley & Marty Shell	Worship & Music
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Pastor Nominating Committee

Kay Cromwell
Lawrence Fikes
Mike Kelley
Denise Mosley
Marty Shell (chair)

Announcements

We Welcome Our Friends from First Presbyterian who are joining us this morning while Pastor Susie is away attending the PC (USA) General Assembly meeting in Portland, OR.

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

Central Will Host Trinity Village Vespers this afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Great Hall at Trinity Village. All are invited to attend.

The Deadline for the June Issue of *Central Scene* is tomorrow, June 20. Please turn in all articles, announcements, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.

Central & Friends from First Presbyterian Will Be Making a Trip to the Olive Garden in West Little Rock on Saturday June 25th . All are invited to join us for a great dinner and opportunity to fellowship together. Please contact Laura Cosner with any questions. We will take the church van and plan to leave the parking lot at 4:30 pm . A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall. We hope that you will join us!

The Session Will Meet on the 4th Sunday, June 26, at 1 p.m. in the Conference Room.

VBS Planning Update: We are happy to announce that we have all of our teacher & crew station leaders! However, there are still a few items that we need. Please let us know if you have any of the following items that we might borrow: Flashlights, Helmets, Backpacks. Please let Laura Cosner or Denise Mosley know if you can help us out with any of these items.

Lectionary for Sunday, June 19 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

1 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." 3 Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." 8 He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. 9 At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 11 He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; 12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. 13 When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 15a Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus.

Galatians 3:23-29

23 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, 26 for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. 27 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Luke 8:26-39

26 Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"— 29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) 30 Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. 31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. 33 Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. 35 Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. 36 Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. 37 Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. 38 The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 39 "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Refrain:
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to his hame.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.
(Refrain)

Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior.
(Refrain)

On the Jericho Road

As you travel along on the Jericho road,
Does the world seem all wrong and heavy your load?
Just bring it to Christ, your sins all confess
On the Jericho road, your heart He will bless

(refrain)

On the Jericho road, blind Bartimaeus sat
His life was a void, so empty and flat:
But Jesus appeared, one word brought him sight,
On the Jericho road, Christ banished his night.

(refrain)

O brother to you, this message I bring,
Tho hope may be gone, He'll cause you to sing;
At Jesus' command, sin's shackles must fall,
On the Jericho road, will you answer His call?

Refrain:
On the Jericho road, there's room for just two,
No more and no less, just Jesus and you.
Each burden He'll bear, each sorrow He'll share.
There's never a care, for Jesus is there.

CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF JUNE 19, 2016

MEMBERS:

The family of Louise Calloway	Valerie Reichen
Austin Graves	Donna McCaleb
The Howsen Family	Mildred Gaunt
Bernice Lackey	Hester Insley
Emil Brown	Mary Kientz
Bill VonTungeln	Bea Magee
Mary Wooten	

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Tommy Gonzales , Uncle of Michael Chandler	Scott McGeorge , friend of Laurence Fikes
The family of Betty Seymore , aunt of Pat Drewett	Jay Johnson , friend of Amanda Chandler
The family of Ken Hensley , former member	Dorothy Soto , friend of Lynda Vick
Ashley Raff , co-worker of Denise Mosley	Kevin Rushing , friend of Laura Pierce
Noie Roberson , sister of Frank Merritt	Georgiana Burnside , daughter of Amanda Chandler's co-worker
Quinn Wormer , grandnephew of Connie Detmers	Rhett Lunningham , nephew of David Judkins
Mary Ward , mother of Dana Neal	Pam Panks , mother of Bubba VonTungeln's friend
Gerry Eilbott Soltz , friend of Lawrence Fikes	Perry Reynolds , friend of the Jane & David Judkins
Blake & Jordan Sorey & Baby Broox Sorey , friends of the Cosner family	Lori Partridge , friend of Rose VonTungeln
Rebecca and Earl Phillips , friends of Karen and David Perdue	Joshua Chambliss and family , nephew of Rose and Suzy VonTungeln
Doris McCoy , mother of Kay Cromwell	Juliet Walker , sister of Bubba VonTungeln's co-worker
Lois Tucker , neighbor of The Mosley family	Ryker Cheek , nephew of Bubba VonTungeln
Allen Wimberly , Benjimen Neal & Avery Peyton's band director	Mary McBee , friend of Karen & David Perdue
Helen Knoll , great-grandmother of Amber Poss	Wanda Vining , mother-in-law of Pat Drewett
Carla & Brad Young , co-worker of Denise Mosley	Helen Gaunt , sister-in-law of Mildred Gaunt
Kathleen Simpson , mother of Denise Mosley	Dan Loomis , former pastor
Audrey Brooks , mother-in-law of Nelson Buchanan	John Hensley , friend of Laura and Rick Pierce
Steven Lee , uncle of Amber Poss	Franklin Ward , uncle of Dana Neal
Cathy Risinger , sister of Kay Cromwell	
Scott Howell , son of friend of Jemmie Moseley and Lynda Vick	

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

New Worship Communities	First , Pine Bluff
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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.

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 Ghost,
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."