



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
(870) 879-9074  
Sunday, June 26, 2016  
**13<sup>TH</sup> 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**

**CHORAL PRELUDE** *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* Fishel

**CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 77

Karen: "My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. I cry aloud to God that he may hear me. In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted."

**People:** "I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD; I will remember your wonders of old. I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds. Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God?"

Karen: "With your strong arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph. When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; the very deep trembled."

**People:** "Your way was through the sea, your path, through the mighty waters; yet your footprints were unseen. You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron."

**All:** "Lead us in your way, O God. Hear us as we give thanks to you."

**\*OPENING HYMN #49** *The God of Abraham Praise*

**FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

"Almighty God, there is no other like You in all of creation. We confess that our lives fall short of what they could be. You call us to repentance but so often we aren't ready to admit our failings. Forgive us, Lord, for our disobedience and our lack of trust. Help us experience Your loving grace. (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*

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**ANTHEM** *He Keeps Me Singing* Bridgers

**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** 2 Kings 2:1 - 14

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 9:51 - 62

**EPISTLE READING** Galatians 5:1, 13 - 25

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

David S. King

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Scots Confession see insert

**\*HYMN #721** *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Bless the Lord* Berthier

**\*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 #265** *Jesus Shall Reign Where’re the Sun*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* Dett

**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  
Maggie Shell-Howsen  
Dana Neal

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**The Session**  
**Class of 2016**

Nelson Buchanan  
Tommy Dunlap  
Jemmie Moseley  
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**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

**Pastor Nominating Committee**

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

*Announcements*

**The Session Will Meet** this afternoon 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. We also need volunteers to provide desserts (cookies, brownies, or cakes) for our meals. Please let Laura Cosner or Denise Mosley know if you can help us out with any of these items.

**Dave Is Planning a Class for Adults During VBS** on "Reading the Bible" that will meet Thursday and Friday evenings, and Saturday morning. Let him know if you are interested.

**The Church Office Will Be Closed** Monday July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

**The PW Birthday Offering Has Been Rescheduled** for July 10. It will be received that morning during worship.

**The Annual Trinity Brunch Has Been Set** for Thursday, July 21, at 10 a.m. in the Trinity Village Great Hall. The residents truly enjoy the brunch. They love the food, but they especially enjoy the company. And if you have children or grandchildren who are available, bring them too! While the residents enjoy us, they especially love to see children. If at all possible please plan to attend, and if you can contribute something for the brunch refreshments let Kay Cromwell know.

## Lectionary for Sunday, June 26 - 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 2 Kings 2:1-14

1 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. 2 Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. 3 The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you? And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

4 Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." but he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. 5 The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

6 Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. 7 Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. 8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." 10 He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." 11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. 12 Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

13 He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. 14 He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

### Luke 9:51-62

51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; 53 but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. 54 When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" 55 But he turned and rebuked them. 56 Then they went on to another village.

57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." 59 To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." 60 But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." 61 Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." 62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

### Galatians 5:1, 13-25

1 For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. 14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, 21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

**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)

**He Keeps Me Singing**

There's within my heart a melody  
Jesus whispers sweet and low,  
Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still,  
In all of life's ebb and flow.  
(chorus)

Feasting on the riches of His grace,  
Resting 'neath His sheltering wing,  
Always looking on His smiling face,  
That is why I shout and sing.  
(chorus)

Tho' sometimes He leads thro' waters deep,  
Trials fall across the way,  
Tho' sometimes the path seems rough and steep,  
See His footprints all the way.

(Chorus)  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,  
Sweetest name I know,  
Fills my every longing,  
Keeps me singing as I go.

**CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2016**

MEMBERS:

*Austin Graves*  
*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:

*The family of Gary Don Smith*, customer of Laura Cosner  
*The family of Archie Arnold*, customer of Laura Cosner  
*Tommy Gonzales*, Uncle of Michael Chandler  
*The family of Betty Seymore*, aunt of Pat Drewett  
*Ashley Raff*, co-worker of Denise Mosley  
*Noie Roberson*, sister of Frank Merritt  
*Quinn Wormer*, grandnephew of Connie Detmers  
*Mary Ward*, mother of Dana Neal  
*Gerry Eilbott Soltz*, friend of Lawrence Fikes  
*Blake & Jordan Sorey & Baby Broox Sorey*, friends of the Cosner family  
*Rebecca and Earl Phillips*, friends of Karen and David Perdue  
*Doris McCoy*, mother of Kay Cromwell  
*Lois Tucker*, neighbor of The Mosley family  
*Allen Wimberly*, Benjimen Neal & Avery Peyton's band director  
*Helen Knoll*, great-grandmother of Amber Poss  
*Carla & Brad Young*, co-worker of Denise Mosley  
*Kathleen Simpson*, mother of Denise Mosley  
*Audrey Brooks*, mother-in-law of Nelson Buchanan  
*Steven Lee*, uncle of Amber Poss

*Cathy Risinger*, sister of Kay Cromwell  
*Scott Howell*, son of friend of Jemmie Moseley and Lynda Vick  
*Scott McGeorge*, friend of Laurence Fikes  
*Jay Johnson*, friend of Amanda Chandler  
*Dorothy Soto*, friend of Lynda Vick  
*Kevin Rushing*, friend of Laura Pierce  
*Georgiana Burnside*, daughter of Amanda Chandler's co-worker  
*Rhett Lunningham*, nephew of David Judkins  
*Pam Panks*, mother of Bubba VonTungeln's friend  
*Perry Reynolds*, friend of the Jane & David Judkins  
*Lori Partridge*, friend of Rose VonTungeln  
*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:  
*Graham Memorial*, Forrest City                      *Elkins Church*, Elkins

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 Scots Confession**

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.**

## **Notes on Today's Affirmation of Faith:**

### **The Scots Confession**

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 Scots Confession was written at a turning point in the history of the Scottish nation. After a bloody civil war England recognized Scottish sovereignty in 1560. The Scottish Parliament declared Scotland a Protestant nation and asked half a dozen Protestant church leaders, including our ancestor in faith, John Knox, to compose a confession of faith. In four days they composed "The Scots Confession." The Church of Scotland is the Presbyterian Church in Scotland.