



**Central Presbyterian Church**  
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Sunday, September 25, 2016  
**26<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**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 91

**Jemie:** "We who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'"

**People:** **"For God will deliver us from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; God will cover us with God's broad wings, and under God's wings we will find refuge; God's faithfulness protects us like armored shields."**

**Jemie:** "We will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday."

**People:** **"God promises to deliver those who love God; God promises to protect those who know God's name. God promises to answer when we call. God promises to answer and to be with us in trouble. God promises to satisfy us with long life and to show us our salvation."**

**All:** **"We worship the Lord with gladness! We come into God's presence with singing! Let us worship God!"**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #343** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*  
(vs. 1-4)

**FILLING THE BAPTISMAL FONT**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

"God, You have loved us but we have not loved You very well. You call us, but we often do not listen. You tell us to love others but we are usually too wrapped in our own concerns. You call us to be reconciled to one another, yet we seldom seek forgiveness from those we have hurt. Our pride often keeps us from being the people you call us to be. Help us see our sins, help us repent of them, and help us receive Your forgiveness and your grace which help us go on." (Silent Prayer) "Hear our prayers, O Lord, for we pray in Jesus' name, Amen."

**KYRIE ELEISON** ("Lord, Have Mercy")

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Jemie:** "The Scriptures promise us: 'Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.'"

**People:** **"The old life has gone; a new life has begun."**

**Jemie:** "This is the Good News! We belong to God!"

**All:** **"Amen!"**

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

### **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** Jeremiah 32:1 - 3a, 6 - 15

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 16:19 - 31

**EPISTLE READING** I Timothy 6:6 - 19

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

David S. King

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

From *The Belhar Confession*

**\*HYMN #630**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**  
**OFFERTORY**

**\*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 #542**     *God Be With You Till We Meet Again*

**\*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: Connie Detmers                      Lay Reader: Jemmie Moseley**

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

**Guest Organist**  
Donald Walker

**Nursery Attendants**  
Laura & Zac Cosner

**Youth Advisory Team**  
Marty Shell  
Maggie Shell-Howsen  
Dana Neal

**Website:**  
**[www.centralprespb.com](http://www.centralprespb.com)**

**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

*Announcements*

**Dave will be at the Church Monday and Tuesday** this week. The Thursday Bible Study group will move its weekly lunch meeting to Tuesday this one time.

**The Session Has Moved Our Monthly Fellowship Meal** to next Sunday, October 2. This will be Pastor Jai’s first Sunday and a great opportunity to begin to get to know him and his wife, Young. Let's have a big turn-out to welcome them to Central.

**This Will Be Our Fellowship Meal for October**; we will not have lunch here on the Third Sunday this month. On the Fourth Sunday, the 23rd, our Youth will sponsor another meal for the Congregation that will be a fund-raiser for some of their activities.

**The Presbyterian Women Will Have a General Meeting** Sunday, October 2, following the Fellowship Luncheon. It will be a short meeting to discuss our Fall Bake Sale.

**We Are In Need Of Volunteers** to help seal the playground equipment. If you would like to help, contact Zac Cosner, 870-550-9825.

**We Also Are in Need of Volunteers** to begin our Sunday afternoon programs with our youth. We need volunteers to lead a short lesson, craft, games and simply spread a little fun! We need your help, just twice a month, 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, excluding holidays. Let one of the youth sponsors know if you can help.

## Lectionary for Sunday, September 25 - 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. 2 At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, 3a where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

6 Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: 7 Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." 8 Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

9 And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. 10 I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. 11 Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; 12 and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. 13 In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, 14 Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. 15 For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

### 1 Timothy 6:6-19

6 Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; 7 for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

11 But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you 14 to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. 16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 19 thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

### Luke 16:19-31

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. 24 He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' 27 He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—28 for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' 29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From The Confession of Belhar

We believe that . . .

- ▶ Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;
- ▶ our unity is both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit this unity is a binding force, a reality which must be pursued earnestly and sought; a unity with which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;
- ▶ this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity, and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;
- ▶ this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways:
  - that we love one another;
  - that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another;
  - that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;
  - that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind;
  - that we have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope;
  - that together we come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;
  - that together we are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;
  - that together we know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and build up one another, admonishing and comforting one another;
  - that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness;
  - that we pray together; serve God together in this world; and fight together against all which may threaten or hinder this unity

## CENTRAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

### MEMBERS:

**Lynda Vick**  
**Amber Poss**  
**Dana Neal**  
**Bill VonTungeln**  
**Mary Wooten**  
**Bernice Lackey**

**Valerie Reichen**  
**Mildred Gaunt**  
**Hester Insley**  
**Mary Kientz**  
**Bea Magee**

### FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

**The family of Mary Ward**, mother of Dana Neal  
**Carla Baumer**, mother of Brianna Rodriguez's friend  
**All who have been affected by the recent flooding in Louisiana and surrounding areas**  
**Erin Shaw and family**, church secretary  
**Maisie Varnell**, mother of Jayme Varnell  
**Brent Harrison**, friend of Rose & Suzy VonTungeln  
**Tommy Gonzales**, Uncle of Michael Chandler  
**Ashley Raff**, co-worker of Denise Mosley  
**Noie Roberson**, sister of Frank Merritt  
**Quinn Wormer**, grandnephew of Connie Detmers  
**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  
**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  
**Perry Reynolds**, friend of the Jane & David Judkins  
**Lori Partridge**, friend of Rose VonTungeln  
**Joshua Chambliss and family**, nephew of Rose and Suzy 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**, Gurdon

**Churches in Presbyteries in Mexico**

### 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.**