

# Central Scene

Central Presbyterian Church



## Church Mission Statement

To celebrate God's love, nurture growth, share our faith, and serve the needs of others

## Church Membership

Membership in Central Presbyterian Church is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. New members will be received upon baptism and profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or by letter of transfer.

## Keeping congregations 'creative and open to what God is doing in the world'

*by Paul Seebeck / Presbyterian News Service*



LOUISVILLE – With Reformation Sunday approaching October 29, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is providing a wide range of resources for churches commemorating the [500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation](#).

They include a [Commemorate Reformation Sunday](#) website, [Theological Conversations](#) series on Reformation topics and a video providing a 500-year perspective on the Reformation.

“We want Presbyterians to engage with the best of the Reformation,” says Charles A. Wiley III, coordinator of Theology and Worship in the Presbyterian Mission Agency (PMA).

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## Upcoming Events

### September 9

There will be a Cluster V gathering at Second Presbyterian Church in Little Rock Saturday, September 9 beginning at 9:30. The meeting concludes with lunch at noon. The cost is \$10. Call Kay at 267-1384 or email her at [cromwell.kay@gmail.com](mailto:cromwell.kay@gmail.com) if interested.

### September 10

PW Meeting immediately following worship. Let Kay know if you want to bring something to share for a light lunch. The meeting will focus on preparations for the bake sale November 18.

### September 17

Session Meeting  
Fellowship Luncheon

### Choir Practice Wednesdays at 6:30pm

### Noon Bible Study Thursdays

### Evening Bible Study Thursdays at 6:30pm

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According to Wiley, the Reformation matters today because it insists that God in Christ, by the power of the Spirit,

- loves us without condition,
- comes to us in Word and Sacrament,
- is not confined by any church structure,
- and calls us to love God with our lives,

regardless of work or station in life.

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“Two things we don’t talk a lot about when discussing the Reformation are creativity and openness,” says Michelle J. Bartell, coordinator of Theological Education and Seminary Relations for the PC(USA). “But these are vitally important, to stay creative and open to God personally, but also to what God is doing in the world.”

Bartel believes the Reformation is about “looking forward,” not back. She’s been excited to see the wide range of voices writing for the monthly Theological Conversations Series which [Theology, Formation & Evangelism](#) ministries, launched in 2015.

“We intentionally wanted to have theological conversations this year, that Martin Luther himself started 500 years ago,” says Bartel. “The diverse voices we’ve been listening to is truly reflective of how open we are, to being reformed by God.”

Topics discussed in [Theological Conversations](#) this year are: “Seeking a Correctable Conscience,” “500 years and Counting,” “A Legacy of Faithful Dissent,” “Three Fulcrums for Reform,” “Words Matter,” “The First 500 Years,” and “Theology and Bravery.”

Each paper, which includes a reading along with a set of questions to invite conversation, can be [downloaded here](#).

The 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation was precipitated by Martin Luther’s posting of his 95 Theses about the church and its need to reform, on the doors of the All Saints Church in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517.

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/resources-celebration-500th-anniversary-reformation/>

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### Directory

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### SESSION

#### Class of 2017

Denise Mosley  
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Weston Mosley

#### Class of 2018

Kay Cromwell  
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Lynda Vick  
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#### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the September issue of Central Scene is Monday August 21st. Please let us know if you would like to continue your subscription by emailing us at [office@centralprespb.com](mailto:office@centralprespb.com).

# September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 Choir Practice 6:30 pm	6 Noon Bible Study Evening bible study at 6:30	7	8	9 Cluster V MTG. Second Pres. Little Rock
10 PW Meeting	11	12 Choir Practice 6:30 pm	13 Noon Bible Study Evening bible study at 6:30	14	15	16
17 Fellowship Luncheon Session Meeting	18	19 Choir Practice 6:30 pm	20 Noon Bible Study Evening bible study at 6:30	21	22	23
24	25	26 Choir Practice 6:30 pm	27 Noon Bible Study Evening bible study at 6:30	28	29	30

## Events

**Noon Bible Study**  
Thursdays

**Choir Practice**  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm

**Evening Bible Study**  
Thursdays at 6:30pm



## Trinity Village Retirement Community

PINE BLUFF, AR  
870-879-3113

We cordially invite you to the ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration of our rehabilitation center and expanded assisted living and medical center facilities.

Thursday, September 7, 2017 10 a.m.  
6400 Trinity Drive Pine Bluff, AR 71603

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## MEMORIALS

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- Hollis Hughes
- W.P. Ross
- Dave & Patsy King

## Daily Scripture Readings September 2017

<b>13th Sunday after Pentecost August 6, 2017</b>	<b>*Ex. 3:1-15;</b>	<b>Ps. 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b</b>	<b>Rom. 12:9-21</b>	<b>Matthew 16:21-28</b>
<b>14th Sunday after Pentecost August 13, 2017</b>	<b>*Exodus 12:1-14</b>	<b>Psalm 149</b>	<b>Romans 13:8-14</b>	<b>Matthew 18:15-20</b>
<b>15th Sunday after Pentecost August 20, 2017</b>	<b>*Exodus 14:19-31</b>	<b>Psalm 114</b>	<b>Romans 14:1-12</b>	<b>Matthew 18:21-35</b>
<b>16th Sunday after Pentecost August 27, 2017</b>	<b>*Exodus 16:2-15</b>	<b>Psalm 105:1- 6, 37-45</b>	<b>Phil. 1:21-30</b>	<b>Matthew 20:1-16</b>

## History of Hymns:

### “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

Sometimes the grace of God penetrates into unlikely places. Edward Mote’s parents were hostile to religion, but while still a boy Edward became a Christian through the influence of a cabinetmaker to whom he was apprenticed. As a man, he became a skilled cabinetmaker with a successful business of his own.

Regardless of the claims of his business on his time, Mote always found time to worship God. He was especially interested in Christian music, and one day felt inspired on the way to work to write down a verse that came to his mind. Before the day was finished, he had completed four verses. His new hymn began with the words, “My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness.”

Not long thereafter, Mote visited a friend whose wife was ill. It was a Sunday, and the friend mentioned that he and his wife liked to observe Sunday by singing a hymn, reading a scripture, and having prayer together. Mote had a copy of his hymn in his pocket, so they sang it. The friend’s wife was so taken with the hymn that she requested a copy for herself. Encouraged by her interest, Mote had copies printed—and soon found himself the author of a beloved hymn.

At age 55, Mote responded to a call to the ministry. He served out the rest of his life—more than two decades— as the pastor of a Baptist Church in Horsham, Sussex, England.

Mote may have written other hymns during his lifetime, but this is the only one in common use today.

— Copyright 2007, [Richard Niell Donovan](#)

### My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand,  
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.

[Refrain]

His oath, his covenant, his blood  
support me in the whelming flood;  
when all around my soul gives way,  
he then is all my hope and stay.

[Refrain]

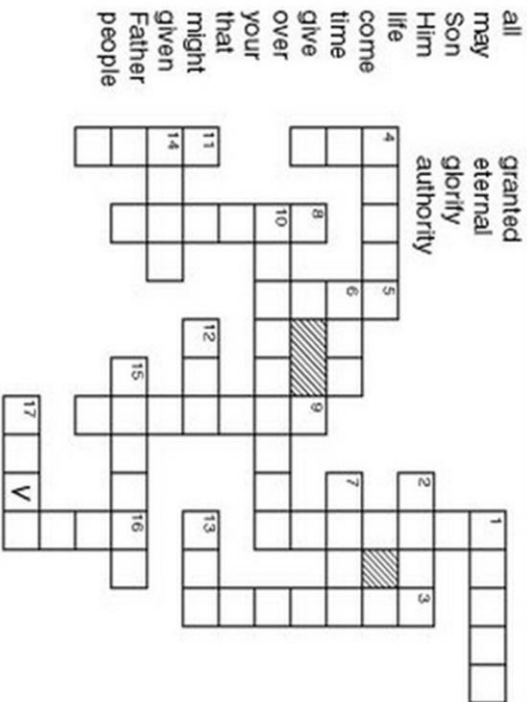
When he shall come with trumpet  
sound,

O may I then in him be found,  
dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the throne.

[Refrain]

## Jesus prayed to God.

To find His prayer, fit the words from the list into the crossword puzzle. Then transfer them to the numbered lines.



“(8) \_\_\_\_\_, the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ has (2) \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (1D) \_\_\_\_\_ (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (12) \_\_\_\_\_,  
 (5) \_\_\_\_\_ Your Son (4Down) \_\_\_\_\_ glorify You.  
 For You (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (14) \_\_\_\_\_ (13) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (15) \_\_\_\_\_ that He (4Across) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (17) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (16) \_\_\_\_\_ to all  
 those You have (1A) \_\_\_\_\_ Him.”

## Jesus prayed for His

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Find the letters to fill in the blanks.  
 Write the letter that's missing from the second word of the pair.

- 1) DESERT - TREES \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) FRUIT - TURF \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) SMILE - LIME \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) CAMEL - LAME \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) RADIO - ROAD \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) SPIDER - RIDES \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) LEARN - NEAR \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) ELBOW - BOWL \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) PEAS - APE \_\_\_\_\_





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19	Danny Reeves
23	Martha Roop
29	Ann Perdue
29	Lynda Vick



05	Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wooten
06	Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cromwell
23	Mr. and Mrs. David Perdue

*If you or a family member has been omitted or would like to be added to the Birthday and Anniversary list, please contact the church office.*