

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 hearts and welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ.

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### Session

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>
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<b><u>Standing Committee Moderators:</u></b>	
Zac Cosner	Budget & Finance
Suzy VonTungeln	Fellowship & Nurture
Jemmie Moseley	Missions & Outreach
George Mosley	Building & Grounds
Denise Mosley	Education
Laura Cosner	Worship & Music

## Announcements

PW Circle will meet Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the library.

Junior High Youthquake will take place Sept.27-29 at Ferncliff Camp and Conf. Center in Little Rock. If you have a youth in grades 6-9, who are interested in attending, please let Zac Cosner know.

Directory update forms are available in the narthex and our website. Deadline to update your information will be September 1<sup>st</sup>. We'll use these to build a new Church Directory available in the fall and a new CPC Prayer Chain phone list.

Sunday School 9:45 am

Young Adults Sunday School 9:45 am



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
22<sup>nd</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**

Dominik: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all of God's benefits—**

Dominik: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

**People: who redeems your life from the grave, and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

Dominik: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**People: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #463 How Firm A Foundation**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, In Jesus you have shown us a way that is humble and seeks the good of others. We confess that our way is often about elevating ourselves and ignoring what others need. Sin leads us down the path that is easy for us, yet destructive for the wider community. Free us from the temptation to pursue only our own pleasure. Help us to live in harmony with all your people, sharing one world and eating around one table, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dominik: As people born of water and the Spirit  
we have died to the old life, and a new life has begun.  
God’s grace is poured out upon us day by day.  
Come to the water and remember your baptism.  
Be thankful, and live as one who has been raised to new life!  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Amen.

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM “You Are My All In All”

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.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Jeremiah 2:4-13

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 13:1-16

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 14:1-14

The Word of the Lord.  
  
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON Same Old, Same Old Rev. Timothy Reeves

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed see insert

\*HYMN #343 Where Cross The Crowded Ways Of Life

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") *Hymnal* #606 see insert

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS  
(You each are encouraged to give voice to your concerns or to name those for whom you love and pray.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER  
(We use debts and debtors)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #756 O God Of Every Nation

\*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.

Lay Reader: Dominik Munn

PRAYER CONCERNS			
MEMBERS			
Donna McCaleb		Mildred Gaunt	
Bernice Lackey		Hester Insley	
Carol Brown		Mary Kientz	
Karen Perdue		Bea Magee	
David Perdue		Lurline Elam	
Betty Coles		Denise Mosley	
Suzy VonTungeln		Mary Light	

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES			
<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
Dr. Laura Festa	wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa	Carol Taylor	friend of Denise Mosley
Scott McGeorge	friend of Lawrence Fikes	Franklin Ward	uncle of Dana Neal
Rebecca and Earl Phillips	friends of Karen and David Perdue	Ryker Cheek	nephew of Bubba VonTungeln
Justine Anton	Church Secretary	Mildred Patterson	former member
Max Zeng	Mike and Lan Kelly’s son	Jennifer Place	friend of Laura Cosner
Luis Sanchez	father of Lizabeth Sanchez	Clara Hammonds	Step-Grandmother of Bubba VonTungeln
Jorga Walker	wife of Donald Walker	Lydia Wright	Rev. Timothy Reeves & Jane Reeves' Granddaughter
Family of Cathy Risinger	sister of Kay Cromwell	Family of Glen Drewett	Pat Drewett’s Father In Law

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Wynne Church, WynneCommissioned Ruling Elders

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 the Office know.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen,  
Amen.

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all  
blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures  
here below;  
Praise Him above, ye  
heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and  
Holy Ghost.  
Amen..

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 again 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.

## Scripture

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13**

<sup>4</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? <sup>6</sup>They did not say, “Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?” <sup>7</sup>I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. <sup>8</sup>The priests did not say, “Where is the LORD?” Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children’s children. <sup>10</sup>Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. <sup>11</sup>Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. <sup>12</sup>Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, <sup>13</sup>for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-16**

<sup>13</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.” <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?” <sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>9</sup>Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings; for it is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. <sup>10</sup>We have an altar from which those who officiate in the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup>For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup>Therefore Jesus also suffered outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. <sup>13</sup>Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. <sup>14</sup>For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

## Scripture

### **Third Reading: Luke 14:1-14**

<sup>14</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. <sup>2</sup>Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had dropsy. <sup>3</sup>And Jesus asked the lawyers and Pharisees, “Is it lawful to cure people on the sabbath, or not?” <sup>4</sup>But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him, and sent him away. <sup>5</sup>Then he said to them, “If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a sabbath day?” <sup>6</sup>And they could not reply to this.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” <sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

## Anthem

### **You Are My All In All**

**You are my strength when I am weak  
You are the treasure that I seek  
You are my all in all  
Seeking You as a precious jewel  
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.  
You are my all in all  
Jesus, Lamb of God,  
Worthy is Your name  
Jesus, Lamb of God  
Worthy is Your Name  
Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,  
Rising again I bless Your name.**