



# CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas Sunday, February 5, 2023 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

## GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

Organ/Piano Young Ju Oh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Logan: We believe God still creates-

People: We want to see more clearly.

Logan: We believe God still speaks-.

People: We want to listen more carefully.

Logan: We believe God still guides-

People: We want to walk more faithfully.

Logan: We believe God still breathes life into the world-

People: We want to inhale more deeply.

Logan: May this be a time of seeing, hearing, walking, breathing.

People: May this be a time of true worship. Amen.

# OPENING HYMN # 22 God of the Sparrow

- 1. God of the sparrow God of the whale

  God of the swirling stars How does the creature say Awe

  How does the creature say Praise
- 2. God of the earthquake God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast How does the creature cry Woe How does the creature cry Save

- 3. God of the rainbow God of the cross

  God of the empty grave How does the creature say Grace

  How does the creature say Thanks
- 4. God of the hungry God of the sick
  God of the prodigal How does the creature say Care
  How does the creature say Life
- 5. God of the neighbor God of the foe God of the pruning hook How does the creature say Love How does the creature say Peace
- 6. God of the ages God near at hand
  God of the loving heart How do your children say Joy
  How do your children say Home

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Jai Kwak

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

As we stand in the presence of God, let us confess the ways we have strayed and failed in faithfulness.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you call us to humble service, to love our neighbors and our enemies, to do justice and offer mercy. But we do not respond as we should. We pretend we do not hear your call. We excuse ourselves from Christian work, citing self-doubt and fear. Our desire for comfort outweighs our desire to do your will. Forgive us, God. Have mercy upon us. Return us to you and your way. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON: "Lord, Have Mercy"

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

Lord, have mercy upon us

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (From Isaiah 6:7) **Rev. Jai Kwak** "Your guilt has departed, and your sin is blotted out." Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI Hymnal #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

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.

# **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM Day by Day Young Ju Oh, Piano/Organ

1 Day by day and with each passing moment, Strength I find to meet my trials here; Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear. He whose heart is kind beyond all measure Gives unto each day what he deems best– Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure, Mingling toil with peace and rest.

2 Ev'ry day the Lord himself is near me, With a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares he gladly bears and cheers me, He whose name is
Counselor and Pow'r. The protection of his child and treasure Is a charge that
on himself he laid: As your days, your strength shall be in measure"— This the
pledge to me he made.

3 Help me then in ev'ry tribulation So to trust your promises, O Lord, That I lose not faith's sweet consolation Offered me within your holy Word. Help me, Lord, when, toil and trouble meeting, E'er to take, as from a father's hand, One by one, the days, the moments fleeting, Till I reach the promised land.

CHILDRENS SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Philippians 2:1–11 (ESV)

**Laura Cosner** 

1 So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### \*HYMN # 738

## O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

- 1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
- 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.
- 3 Teach me thy patience, still with thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.
- 4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way; in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live

# \* Affirmation of (From The Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and our neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us the courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

# \*DOXOLOGY Hymnal #606

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.

#### \*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 THE LORD'S PRAYER

### FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

#### \*CLOSING HYMN # 839 Blessed Assurance Jesus Is Mine!

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

# Refrain)

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest. I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*\*POSTLUDE

#### **EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

Go forth into the world rejoicing. Love and serve the Lord.

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.

# **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Munn Family Jemmie Moseley Karen Perdue Emil & Carol Brown Hester Insley

# FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
Allie Cooper &	Friends of Denise Mosley	Rebecca &	Friends of Karen Perdue
Carol Taylor		Earl Phillips	
Max Zeng	Mike and Lan Kelly's son	Dr. Laura Festa	Wife of Dr. Dan Festa
Luis Sanchez	Father of Lizabeth Sanchez	Haley Chandler	Friend of the Church
Bernice Collins	Friend of the Church	Pat Mosley	Mother of George Mosley

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Lincoln

First, Heber Springs

# PLEASE PRAY FOR 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.

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

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#### **Standing Committee Moderators:**

George Mosley - Building & Ground

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

# Announcements

Confirmation Class has begun its journey of 6 months starting today. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Betty Coles. Parents of the participants are invited as mentors.

Thursday Evening Bible Study will be resumed on Feb. 16th at 6:30 pm. The class will continue to study the book of Revelation chapter 11.

You all are invited to the Valentine's Banquet on Feb. 19th following worship. This will serve as our monthly luncheon. An Italian meal will be provided but donations will be accepted. Every bond of love is special for they are God-ordained. Come, let us celebrate love together.

The Lenten Season is at hand. The following are our scheduled events.

Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held the evening of Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm. The Cost will be \$8 Per Person, \$20 for a family. Bring the family for a heaping helping of Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, and all the fixings!

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be held on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm. The choir will hold their regular Wednesday practice following the service.

Details for the following events will be posted soon...

Palm Sunday, Apr. 2nd

Maundy Thursday, Apr. 6th @ 6pm

Good Friday, Apr. 7th @ 6pm

Resurrection Sunday, Apr. 9<sup>th</sup> festivities will begin at 9am.