

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

On May 14th, we will be celebrating Mother's Day. All are welcome to join us for the celebration.

The monthly fellowship luncheon and regular Session meeting are scheduled for May 21st.

All of you are cordially invited to join us in observing a significant occasion on May 28th. This day marks Pentecost Sunday, a momentous event that commemorates the descent and perpetual presence of the Holy Spirit. Furthermore, on this very same day, we will be celebrating the culmination of the confirmation class. We extend a warm invitation to you to participate in our worship and revelry as we commemorate this meaningful event.

Worship Leaders for the Month of May
Lay Reader: Rose VonTungeln
Scripture Reader: Laura Cosner



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Sunday, May 7, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter



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 (Based on Psalm 145)

Rose : I will extol you, my God and King,
All : and bless your name forever and ever.
Rose : Every day I will bless you,
All : and praise your name forever and ever.
Rose : The Lord is good to all,
All : and His mercy is over all that He has made.

*OPENING HYMN # 19 God of Great and God of Small (Verses 1, 2, & 4)

1 God of great and God of small, God of on and God of all,
God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

2 God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny,
God of never ending power, yet beside me every hour,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

4 God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,
God of now and days before, God who reigns forever more.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

CALL TO CONFESSION

No one is lost to God. All are welcome to witness and receive God's saving grace. Let us confess our sins before our Savior

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You send us, God of the Great Commission, but we hedge and hesitate. Forgive our fear and our excuses. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. Forgive our fears. Free our testimony. (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

Pastor: Christ has transformed us. Christ has renewed us. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

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

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 Heavenly Father I Appreciate You Central Choir

Heavenly Father, I appreciate You. Heavenly Father, I appreciate You.

I love you, I adore you, I bow down before you.

Heavenly Father, we appreciate You.

PRAYER CONCERNS

*Mosley Family
Jemie Moseley
Karen Perdue*

*Emil & Carol Brown
Hester Insley
Munn Family*

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Hot Springs

Ministries to Hispanic Persons in Arkansas

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.

2 Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

3 What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.

4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

***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.*

Son of God, what a wonder You are. Son of God, what a wonder You are.

You cleansed my soul from sin, You set the Holy Spirit within.

Son of God, what a wonder You are.

Holy Spirit what a comfort You are. Holy Spirit what a comfort You are.

You lead us, You guide us, You live right inside us.

Holy Spirit what a comfort You are.

CHILDRENS SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 96:1–6 (ESV)

Laura Cosner

1 Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

2 Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.

5 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

6 Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Let Your Life be a Song

Rev. Jai Kwak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SONG OF PRAISE

I Will Sing Unto the Lord

I Will Sing Unto The Lord As Long As I Live
I Will Sing Praise To My God While I Have My Being
My Meditation Of Him Shall Be Sweet
I Will Be Glad, I Will Be Glad In The Lord

Bless Thou The Lord, Oh My Soul
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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)**

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" Hymnal #606**

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

***PRAYER OF 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 # 821 My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing?)**

**1 My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.**

Chorus

**No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**