



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas**  
**Sunday, June 18, 2023**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost / Father's Day**

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**GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rose : Let us come together, giving honor to God Almighty.

All : **Let us honor those who led us in the ways of the Lord  
during our youth.**

Rose : Praise be to God for the families we had in our childhood.

All : **God bless the parents of our youth, wherever they may be.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 14 For the Beauty of the Earth**

**1 For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.**

**Refrain: Lord of all, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.**

**2 For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,**

**3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic  
harmony linking sense to sound and sight.**

**4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth,  
and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,**

**5 For thyself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given, for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven.**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

In the name of the Triune God, we gather for worship. Let us confess the sin that turns us from our Creator.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Lord, we have often taken for granted the help and guidance you have given us through our families. And too often , Lord, we have failed to share that love and be your family for a hurting world. Forgive us, Lord, and help us carry your help and love wherever we go. In Christ we pray. (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: "In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we are forgiven and freed. Claim your forgiveness."

**People: We rejoice in God's grace. 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**

**Hymn of Promise**

**1 In the bulb there is a flower;  
in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise:  
butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**

**2 There's a song in ev'ry silence,  
seeking word and melody.  
There's a dawn in ev'ry darkness,  
bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future;  
what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**

**3 In our end is our beginning;  
in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**

**TIME WITH YOUNGER CHURCH**

**Rose VonTungeln**

## **SCRIPTURE**

**Luke 15:11–24 (NASB 2020)**

**11 And He said, "A man had two sons. 12 The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the estate that is coming to me.' And so he divided his wealth between them. 13 And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey to a distant country, and there he squandered his estate in wild living. 14 Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began doing without. 15 So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 And he longed to have his fill of the carob pods that the pigs were eating, and no one was giving him anything. 17 But when he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired laborers have more than enough bread, but I am dying here from hunger! 18 'I will set out and go to my father, and will say to him,**

**“Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight; 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired laborers.” ’ 20 “So he set out and came to his father. But when he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ 22 But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet; 23 and bring the fattened calf, slaughter it, and let’s eat and celebrate; 24 for this son of mine was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.’ And they began to celebrate.**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON**

**Is God Like Daddy?**

**Rev. Lance Jones**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostle’s Creed)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
He ascended into heaven,**

He is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
The holy catholic Church,  
The communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the life everlasting. Amen.

## **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    # 306 Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

**1 Blessed be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like that to that above..**

**2 Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers;**

**Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one Our comforts and our cares.**

**3 We share each other's woes, Our mutual burdens bear;  
And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.**

**4 When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be  
Joined in heart, and hope to meet again.**

**5 From sorrow, toil and pain, And sin, we shall be free,  
And perfect love and friendship reign Through all eternity.**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*\*POSTLUDE**

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

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

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Emil & Carol Brown  
Hester Insley  
Karen Perdue  
Jemmie Moseley*

*Laura Brown Hayes  
Munn Family  
Mosley Family*

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

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<i>Carol Taylor</i>	<i>Friend of Denise Mosley</i>	<i>Rebecca &amp; 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>
<i>Simone Kirk</i>	<i>Friend of Jessica Munn</i>		

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:**

*Mission Trip Participants*

*First, Fort Smith*

**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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Zac Cosner

Pat Drewett

**Standing Committee Moderators:**

George Mosley - Building & Ground

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

# Announcements

We are delighted to have Rev. Lance Jones in our midst this morning! It brings us immense joy to welcome him to our church family and to the pulpit. Rev. Jones is known for his insightful and inspiring sermons, which have touched the hearts and minds of many. We eagerly anticipate the profound message he will be sharing with us today.

**Happy Father's Day!** We take this moment to honor and celebrate all fathers and father figures among us. Their selfless love, guidance, and unwavering support have played a vital role in shaping our lives. Let us cherish and express our appreciation to these incredible men who embody the qualities of strength, compassion, and wisdom.

The monthly fellowship luncheon has been rescheduled and will now take place on June 25. Additionally, the stated session meeting will also be held on June 25, following the fellowship luncheon.

Rev. Jai Kwak will return to the office on Wednesday. The choir and bible study group will meet on their regularly scheduled days.

*Happy Father's Day!*

