



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas**  
**Sunday, August 20, 2023**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

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

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jessica : Turn us, O God,  
**People : away from the world's temptations and distractions.**  
Jessica : Return us, O God,  
**People : to the quiet calm of your presence.**  
Jessica : Restore us, O God,  
**People : to the path you call us to follow.**  
Jessica : Orient us, O God.  
People : to the hope of all that is possible through you.

**\*OPENING HYMN # 418. Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling**

**1 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;  
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,  
watching for you and for me.**

**Refrain:  
Come home, come home; you who are weary come home;  
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!**

**2 Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for  
me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you  
and for me? [Refrain]**

**3 O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for  
me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,  
pardon for you and for me. [Refrain]**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us honestly acknowledge how we have gone astray and confess our sins to God.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God our refuge, you hear our cries for mercy. You lift the lowly and offer hope to the hopeless. But we, who benefit from your grace, do not emulate you and your ways. We are quick to condemn, exaggerate critique and act mercilessly. We confess the ways we demean and dehumanize others. We pray for your forgiveness. (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: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

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

## **ANTHEM**

**There is None Like You & I Sing Praises to Your Name**

**Piano/Organ: Young Ju Oh**

**I sing praises to your name, O Lord, praises to your name, O Lord,**

**For your name is great and greatly to be praised.**

**I sing praises to your name, O Lord, praises to you name, O Lord,**

**For you name is great and greatly to be praised.**

**There is none like you no one else can touch my heart like you do,**

**I could search for all eternerty long and find**

**There is none like you**

**Your mercy flow like a river wide, and healing comes from your hand**

**Suffering children are safe in your arms, there is none like you.**

**I give glory to your name, O Lord, glory to your name, O Lord,**

**For you name is great and gretely to be praised.**

**I give glory to your name, O Lord, glory to your name, O Lord,**

**For your name is great and greatly to be praised.**

### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Pam Riegler**

#### **Psalm 90:1–12 (ESV)**

**1 Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. 3 You return man to dust and say, “Return, O children of man!” 4 For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. 5 You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: 6 in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. 7 For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your**

wrath we are dismayed. 8 You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. 9 For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. 10 The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. 11 Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you? 12 So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

**John 5:21–24 (ESV)**

21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. 22 For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

**James 4:13–14 (ESV)**

3 Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit”— 14 yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON**

**Teach Us to Number Our Days**

**Rev. Jai D. Kwak**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **HYMN # 700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

**1 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**2. I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**3 I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

### **\*Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)**

**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 on 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.**

### **CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow"**

**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 LORD'S PRAYER**

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*CLOSING HYMN # 307 God of Grace and God of Glory (vs 1, 2, & 3)**

1 God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy pow'r;  
crown Thine ancient Church's story, bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.

2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and  
praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

3 Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to Thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

**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.***

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Munn Family  
Jemmie Moseley  
Karen Perdue*

*Hester Insley  
Emil & Carol Brown  
Laura Hayes*

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:**

*First, Morrilton*

*First, Springdale*

**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.

<b>Pastor</b> Rev. Jai D. Kwak	<b>Pianist/Organist</b> Young Ju Oh
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**Session**

<u>Class of 2023</u>	<u>Class of 2024</u>
Laura Cosner	George Mosley (Clerk)
Jane Judkins	Zac Cosner
Denise Mosley	Pat Drewett
Suzy VonTungeln	

**Standing Committee Moderators:**

George Mosley - Building & Ground  
 Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance  
 Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education  
 Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach  
 Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

## Announcements


Come and participate in our monthly Fellowship Luncheon following the worship service. We believe in our unity as a single body in Christ, and sharing a meal is a meaningful way to engage with our faith community. Everyone is invited to join us.

Immediately after the luncheon, session will convene.

**Trinity Village Birthday Party:** The ladies of our church have graciously taken charge of organizing the upcoming quarterly birthday celebration at Trinity Village. We invite you to join us on Wednesday, September 20th, as we come together to commemorate this special occasion.

**From the Women of the Church:** We invite all members of our congregation to participate in gathering breakfast food items that will be donated to schools in our community to support our local schools and make a positive impact on the lives of students.

Central will host an upcoming Senior Citizens Event on Saturday September 9th @ 4pm. All are invited to join & bring a friend for pizza, bingo & a gospel singing performance. The event is free to the community & will be held in the fellowship hall of Central Presbyterian Church. Please call Laura Cosner @ 870-718-6841 for more information.



**TEACH US  
TO NUMBER  
OUR DAYS**