



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas**  
**Sunday, August 27, 2023**  
**Thirteenth 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 : Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People : who made the heavens and the earth.**

Jessica : If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,

**People : then the flood would have swept us away.**

Jessica : The God who saved Israel is still at work in the world,

**People : hearing the cries of the afflicting and setting God's people free.**

**Altogether : Thanks be to God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 10 Sing Glory to the Name of God**

**1 Sing glory to the name of God, whose holy splendor shines abroad  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Enthroned above the crashing waves the God of grace  
and glory saves Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**2 the name of God is full of might resounding thunder flashing light.  
Alleluia, Alleluia! The wilderness cannot contain the echoes of the great  
refrain Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**3 the name of God is wild and free awchirl in holy mystery Alleluia,  
Alleluia! A secret wrapped in smoke and fire still chanted by the temple  
choir Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**4 May God forever be our peace may hymn of glory never cease  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Let all the faithful people come sing praise to God, the  
three in one. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

The Apostle Paul writes, "Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but think of yourself with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned." In sober judgment and humility, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, you are always present and active amid your people. We confess that sometimes we fail to recognize and respond to your saving work in the world. We defer to power and privilege, expect the tried and true, and succumb to doubt and despair when your ways are not clear. Behold, you are doing a new thing; help us to perceive it. Forgive us when we do not respond to your call. Liberate us from our fears and self-imposed limitations. Guide us into the fullness of life and love that you are at work preparing. (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: Friends, hear the good news: Our God makes a way where there is no way, infusing our world with grace and hope when such goodness feels long gone. We are a people redeemed and restored.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*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

### He Leadeth Me

Arranged by Greg Henson

Piano/Organ: Young Ju Oh

He leadeth me; O, blessed thought! O, words with heavenly comfort fought!

Whatever I do, wherever I be, still it's God's hands that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me! His own hand He leadeth me!

His faithful follower I would be by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bower bloom,

By waters still, over troubled sea, still it's His hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me! By his own hand He leadeth me!

His faithful follower I would be, by His hand He leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine;

Content whatever lot I see, since it's my God that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me! By his own hand He leadeth me!

His faithful follower I would be, by His hand He leadeth me.

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH**

**Rose VonTungeln**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Pam Riegler**

**Isaiah 43:1–3 (ESV)**

**1 But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. 3 For I am**

the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

**Romans 10:9–13 (ESV)**

9 because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. 11 For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. 13 For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

**Revelation 20:11–15 (ESV)**

11 Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. 12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. 13 And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. 14 Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. 15 And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON**

**He Knows My Name**

**Rev. Jai D. Kwak**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **HYMN # 451 Open My Eyes, That I May See**

**1 Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.  
placed in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me  
free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God thy will to see. Open my  
eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**2. Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou send-est clear.  
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God thy will to see. Open my  
ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**3 Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.  
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God thy will to see. Open my  
heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

### **\*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 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 # 625 O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)**

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hand have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

(Refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: (Refrain)

3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin: (Refrain)

4 When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, 'My God, how great thou art!' (Refrain)

**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  
Lan Kelly*

*Hester Insley  
Emil & Carol Brown  
Laura Hayes*

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
<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 Mosley</i>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:**

*Wynne Church, Wynne*

*Commissioned Ruling Elders*

**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.

## Announcements

The Women's Circle is scheduled to convene on the second Monday of each month, with the exception of September. For September, our gathering will take place on the 18th at 6:30 pm.

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.

**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.

**Pastor**

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

**Pianist/Organist**

Young Ju Oh

**Treasurer**

Rose VonTungeln

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### Session

**Class of 2023**

Laura Cosner

Jane Judkins

Denise Mosley

Suzy VonTungeln

**Class of 2024**

George Mosley (Clerk)

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

**I have a Maker. He formed my heart.  
Before even time began My life was in his hands.  
He knows my name; He knows my every thought.  
He sees each tear that falls,  
And hears me when I call.**

**I have a Father; He calls me His own.  
He'll never leave me, no matter where I go.  
He knows my name; He knows my every thought.  
He sees each tear that falls,  
And hears me when I call.**