



# CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas Sunday, November 26, 2023 Reign of Christ Sunday

## GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 100)

George: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

George: Know that the Lord is God. It is she who made us, and we are hers.

People: We are God's people, the sheep of her pasture.

George: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to God; bless his name.

George: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

People: God's faithfulness is from generation to generation.

Let us worship God!

# \*OPENING HYMN # 610 O for a thousand tongues to sing

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise The glories of my God and King The triumphs of God's grace!

2 The name of Jesus that charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease Sings music in the sinner's ears Brings life and health and peace.

- 3 Christ speaks, and listening to His voice new life the dead receive; the mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.
- 4 My gracious Master and my God Assist me to proclaim To spread thru all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name
- 5 To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever given By saints below and saints above The Church in earth and heaven

## **CALL TO CONFESSION (from Ezekiel 34:11-12)**

Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out the scattered sheep, so I will seek out my people."

Trusting that God is indeed seeking us, let us confess our sin together:

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Shepherding God, you have called to us, but we have not answered. You have sought us out, but we have continued to wander. You have tenderly gathered us together and cared for us, but we have not extended that same care and mercy to others. Forgive us. Remind us. Teach us. Set us free from sin that we might turn toward your love and justice for the whole world. Guide us so that, tentative step after tentative step, we may walk your way. (Time of silent confession) Amen.

## KYRIE ELEISON:

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak."

People: The relentless grace of Jesus Christ always finds and forgives us. Thanks be to our ever-seeking God.

## \*GLORIA PATRI Hymn #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 Piano/Organ: Young Ju Oh

## My Jesus I Love Thee

James H. Duffell

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign; my gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;

I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

# **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 5:17-20 (NASB95)

17 "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. 18 "For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished. 19 "Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 "For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Is Jesus Your King?

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

# **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

- \* HYMN # 263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
  - 1 All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!
  - 2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
  - 3 Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

4 O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!.

\*Affirmation of Faith (Philippians 2:5-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY

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 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 #268 Crown Him with Many Crowns

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- 1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.
- 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
- 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time; creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

#### 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 Mike & Lan Kelly Hester Insley
Emil & Carol Brown
Laura Hayes
Linda Vick

## **FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

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

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Harrison

Westminster, Hot 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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Denise Mosley Pat Drewett

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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

We're nearing our target of collecting 100 cans of Cranberry Sauce for the community! Sincere gratitude to all who have generously contributed already!

We kindly request your assistance in adorning the church for Advent! Join us today immediately following the Sunday Service. A light lunch will be served to those who choose to stay and lend a hand.

Mark your calendar!

- Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> The Season of Advent begins.
- Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> PW Christmas Party (3:00 PM)
- Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Moravian Love Feast (5:30 PM)
- Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> Choir Christmas Party (5:00 PM)
- Dec. 21st Blue Christmas Service (6:00 PM)
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Cantata (11 AM)
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (5:30 PM)

