



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas Sunday, January 28, 2024 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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

George: O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

People: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right and speak

the truth from their heart;

George: Who do not slander with their tongue and do no evil to their friends

nor heap shame upon their neighbors; in whose eyes the wicked

are despised but who honors those who fear the Lord;

People: Who stand by their oath even to their hurt; who do not lend money at interest and do not take a bribe against the

innocent.

OPENING HYMN #1. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

 Holy, holy, holy Lord God almighty! Early in the morning, my song shall rise to thee Holy. holy, holy Merciful, and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

- 2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eyes of sinfulness Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.
- 4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CALL TO CONFESSION

We worship a God who stands more ready to forgive than we are to confess our sins. Our Creator, who is merciful and just, has promised to cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Beloved, with such assurance, we do not need to fear confession. Let us profess our sin, first together then in silence, to our God, who has made us, who knows us, and who loves us. Let us pray

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have told us what is good, O God. Your hopes for us are clear. And yet we live as though it is unclear what you would have us do. We live as though were not the recipients of grace upon grace. We have withheld what is not our own. We have judged where it was not our place. We have sinned by what we have done and what we have failed to do. We know that we have sinned. We seek your forgiveness and your reconciliation and strength that we may follow in the way you would have us go. Cleanse us and guide us. (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

"The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting." Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

Rev. Jai Kwak

*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

Young Ju Oh, Piano/Organ

Without Love... We Have Nothing

If we speak with the tongues of angels and have not love, we have nothing. If we gain all the world and it's knowledge and have not love we have nothing. If our faith is strong to move the mountains, and if we give all we have to the poor, and if we offer ourselves, yet our heart never loves, we have nothing. Without love we have nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love isn't selfish or boastful. Love doesn't seek out its own way but rejoices in the truth.

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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDRENS SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READINGS Matthew 6:9–13 (ESV)

9 Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

10 Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread,

12 and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13 And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Our Father

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 849 Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of God

Everyone who longs for the boundless love of God, everyone who hopes for the coming of God's peace, the Lord God who created all things beautiful and good loves you more than you can ever fully know.

Everyone who worship God and sings glad songs of praise, everyone who follows God's god and holy way, the Lord God who created all things beautiful and good loves you now as one of God's own.

God is always watching over you, God is watching you with loving eyes. God is hearing you in all your prayers; God is listening with tender, loving ears. God shines in every dark and fearful place we go and will answer every little cry that you make, so wherever you may go, follow in God's holy way and trust God to take you home. * Affirmation of Faith (Apostles 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 and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #606

"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 # 839 Blessed Assurance Jesus Is Mine!

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain) This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest. I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (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

Emil & Carol Brown Jemmie Moseley Karen Perdue Mike & Lan Kelly Hester Insley Munn Family 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	1	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
Mary Owens	Friend of Rose VonTungeln	Family of Casey Hardin	Relative of Bubba VonTungeln

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Jacksonville

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

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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George Mosley - Building & Grounds Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

Announcements

Calling all Presbyterian women! Our circle will be meeting today in the Fellowship Hall directly after the Sunday service. Come for meaningful discussion, uplifting connections, and a spirit of community.

Join us in a spirit of warmth and camaraderie on February 11th (Sunday) as we come together to celebrate Valentine's Day with a special banquet following the Sunday worship service. Every manifestation of love, whether in romantic relationships or cherished friendships, is a divine blessing. Let's pay tribute to these meaningful connections by partaking in a delightful meal crafted with love by the talented Women of the Church. Their culinary expertise is bound to fill your hearts with warmth amidst the festive ambiance.

<u>Please take note</u>: This month, there will be no regular potluck fellowship luncheon due to the Valentine's Day banquet.

Mark Your Calendars: A Season of Reflection and Renewal Awaits! Lent is almost upon us, a time for introspection, spiritual growth, and preparation for the joyous celebration of Easter. Get ready to embark on a journey of faith with these key dates in mind: *Shrove Tuesday Pancake evening, Feb. 13th, 6 pm *Ash Wednesday Service, Feb. 14, 6 pm *Palm Sunday, March 24th

*Maundy Thursday, March 28th 6PM

*Good Friday, March 29th 6PM

*Resurrection Sunday, March 31st

(More details to come later)

