



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Sunday, February 25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent

GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP

LENTEN CANDLE LITURGY

Rev. Jai Kwak

PRELUDE

Organ/Piano Young Ju Oh

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Mark 8:31-38))

Jessica: Let us not be ashamed of our Savior. Let us sing and praise our God.

People: In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you. In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.,

Jessica: Let us set our minds on divine things.

People: Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.

***OPENING HYMN #37 Let All Things Now Living**

1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days.

God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

2 By law God enforces: the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.

We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:

"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we cry to God in prayer and confession, God hears. Let us approach God's throne of grace with confidence and faith.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, the public spectacle of the cross calls us to account. We hesitate and hedge when opportunities arise to speak of you. We are shy in faith and not bold to proclaim. Your story saves, yet we keep it to ourselves. Forgive our reticence of faith. Forgive the ways we fail to serve as public witnesses. Help us be your candlelight, held high to set the world aglow. (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

Rev. Jai Kwak

Pastor: God does not forsake us. Our God is a gracious God, abounding in steadfast love.

**People: Through the blood of Jesus, we are set free from our sins!
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

Central Choir

Be Thou My Vision

**Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me,
save that Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day and the night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.**

**Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and
Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance,
now and always; Thou and Thou only the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 6:9–15 (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.

14 For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, 15 but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“Forgive Us”

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN # 445 God, How Can We Forgive**

1 God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn? How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn? When human loving fails and every hope is gone, your love give strength beyond our own to face the dawn.

2 When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow, how can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe? The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs. A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.

3 Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin, when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again? No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live. As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive

*** Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He
arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the
right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall 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 life
everlasting. Amen.**

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal #606

**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 # 738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Master, let me walk with Thee, in lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me Thy patience; still with Thee in closer, dearer, company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give, with Thee, O Master, let me live.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Meeting Agenda:

*Presentation of the 2024 Budget:

*Election of New Session Members (Class of 2026):

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

Presentation

Pastor: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed
yourselves with Christ.

**People: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the
one hope of our calling.**

Pastor: In baptism, N. and N. were clothed with Christ, and are now called

by God through the voice of the church to enter into ministries of service and governance, announcing in word and deed the good news of Jesus Christ.

People: We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's particular call to our brothers.

Statement on Ordination and Installation

George: Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, the session of Central Presbyterian Church now ordains N. to the office of elder, and installs him / her to active service on their respective boards.

The session also installs to active service those who have been previously ordained: elders N. (and N.)

Constitutional Questions

Prayer for Elders

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

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>	
<i>Max Zeng</i>	<i>Mike and Lan Kelly's son</i>	<i>Rebecca & 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 & Carol Taylor</i>	<i>Friends of Denise Mosley</i>
<i>Mary Owens</i>	<i>Friend of Rose VonTungeln</i>	<i>Helen King</i>	<i>Friend of Church</i>
<i>Family of Casey Hardin</i>	<i>Relative of Bubba VonTungeln</i>		

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.

Announcements

Join Us for the Congregational Meeting!

We invite all members of our congregation to a special meeting today, immediately following the worship service.

Meeting Agenda:

*Election of New Session Members (Class of 2026):

We will be electing three dedicated individuals to serve on the Session, our governing body, for a three-year term.

*Presentation of the 2024 Budget: The proposed budget for the year 2024 will be presented.

Today, we will collect the 'One Great Hour of Sharing' offering. A portion of this offering will be allocated to support Presbyterian disaster relief efforts, provide food for the hungry, and offer assistance to the poor and oppressed.

Presbyterian Women's Circle Meeting Today!

Join us for the Presbyterian Women's Circle meeting today, following the congregational meeting. We look forward to seeing all ladies of Central there!

Worship Schedule during the Lenten Period.

*Palm Sunday, March 24th

*Maundy Thursday, March 28th 6PM

*Good Friday, March 29th 6PM

*Resurrection Sunday, March 31st

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Session Session

Class of 2023

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Suzy VonTungeln

Denise Mosley

Class of 2024

George Mosley (Clerk)

Pat Drewett

Jane Judkins

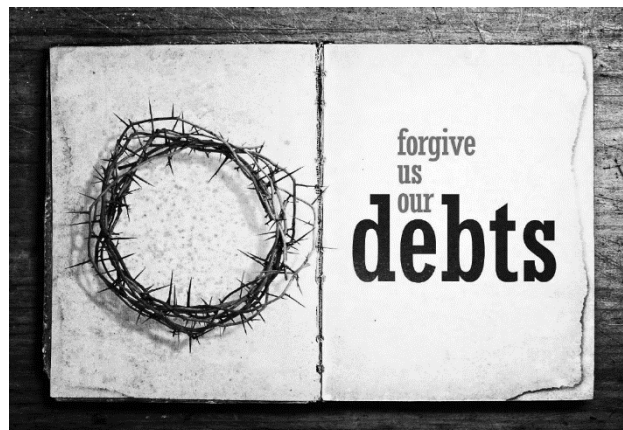
Standing Committee Moderators

George Mosley - Building & Grounds

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music



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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT



February 14-March 31, 2024

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

WAYS TO GIVE —

- + Through your congregation
- + Online at pcusa.org/give-oghs
- + Text OGHS to 91999 to give

-or-



You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. Checks may be sent Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); P.O. Box 643700; Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.

IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs



One Great Hour of Sharing is one of four annual special offerings. The four churchwide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) play an important role in defining what it means to be a congregational church in the twenty-first century, bringing together the diversity of the PC (USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. The Offerings offer opportunities for partnership, learning, and witness and profoundly affect the life of the church as a collective witness to Jesus Christ's love for the whole church.

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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
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REPAIRING THE BREACH

— ISAIAH 58

PROVIDING RELIEF FROM NATURAL DISASTERS,
FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY, AND SUPPORT
FOR THE POOR AND OPPRESSED.



Repairing the Breach, Fixing What's Broken

In Isaiah 58, God, through the voice of the prophet, calls us to be repairers of the breach — and by repairing the breach, we will, by God's grace, be led into a new season of justice, freedom and peace.

“Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

You shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.”

—Isaiah 58



IN THIS SEASON OF LENT,
we follow Jesus' example;
walking alongside the most vulnerable
to partner in repairing the harm inflicted upon them.
WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER;
and we are there with those who need us.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs ~



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

*Restore Streets
to Live In*



PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM

*Share your Bread
with the Hungry*



SELF- DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE

*Loose the Bonds
of Injustice*

Please give generously.

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