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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Logan Mosley

Kay Cromwell Missions & Outreach

George Mosley Building & Grounds

Logan Mosley Education

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Announcements

Sunday School 9:30 am

Young Adults Sunday School 9:30 am (New class forming)

No Choir Practice This Week!

No Bible Study This Week!



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas (870) 879-9074 Sunday, February 25, 2018 Second Sunday of Lent



GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Denise: To You, O God, I lift up my soul. Lead the humble and teach them Your way.

People: Make me to know Your ways, O God; teach me Your paths.

Denise: For You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

People: Your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep Your

decrees.

All: Let us worship God!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 81 Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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Have mercy upon us and hear our prayer, O God. We have failed to live in the light of Your covenant. You set Your rainbow above us, yet clouds of unbelief darken our days. Distrust wells within us; fear, not hope, is our watchword. Your beloved bids us follow, but we are slow to obey. Without Your grace, we are fruitless and inert. In mercy renew us and bring us to life, through Jesus Christ. (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

Denise: Remember that Christ died for sin once and for all, that He might bring us to God cleansed of unrighteousness.

People: "Baptism...now places us in a covenantal relationship with God, who has agreed to be present with us throughout all eternity.

Denise: Let us remember our baptism this day as we live into new life, assured of forgiveness through Christ, who intercedes on our behalf.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI ("Glory be to the Father") Hymnal #581

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM "There is a Higher Throne"

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG ONES

Preschool-aged children may go to the nursery after the children's message. Children of kindergarten age and above may remain in worship.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed see insert

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16 (NASB95)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 8:31-38 (NASB95)

PSALM READING

Psalms 22:23-31(NASB95)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON "An Everlasting Covenant" Rev. Stewart Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 347 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

CALL FOR THE OFFERING OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") Hymnal #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

(You are each encouraged to name those whom you love and for whom you pray.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER (We use the wording "debts and debtors").

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*RECESSIONAL HYMN # 65 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

Go forth into the world rejoicing. Love and serve the Lord.

Ushers: Jemmie Moseley Lay Reader: Denise Mosley

^{*} Those who are able, please stand.

^{**} Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS

Frank Merritt

Donna McCaleb
Bernice Lackey
Raymond Turner
Rose VonTungeln
Karen Perdue
David Perdue

Mildred Gaunt Hester Insley Mary Kientz Bea Magee Lurline Elam Carol Brown

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Name	Related to or Friend of	Name	Related to or Friend of
Dr. Laura Festa	wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa	Georgiana Burnside	daughter of Amanda Chandler's co-worker
Gerry Eilbott Soltz	friend of Lawrence Fikes	Mary McBee	friend of Karen & David Perdue
Rebecca and Earl Phillips	friends of Karen and David Perdue	Elizabeth Ware	sister in law of Nelson Buchanan
Doris McCoy	mother of Kay Cromwell	Franklin Ward	uncle of Dana Neal
Lois Tucker	neighbor of the Mosley Family	Erin Shaw and family	friend of church
Max Zeng	Mike and Lan Kelly's son	Allen Wimberley	Watson Chapel Band Director
Kathleen Simpson	mother of Denise Mosley	David Gallaher & family	former pastor
Cathy Risinger	sister of Kay Cromwell	Leslie Rhodes	friend of Laura Cosner's family
Scott McGeorge	friend of Lawrence Fikes	Mildred Patterson	former member
Ryker Cheek	nephew of Bubba VonTungeln	Shannon Bass	daughter of Lawrence Fikes
		Gene Boykin	father of Linda VonTungeln's co-worker

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Jacksonville

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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 from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at 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.

Scripture

Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16 (NASB95)

17 When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty;[a] walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly." 3 Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4 "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram,[b] but your name shall be Abraham;[c] for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come forth from you. 7 And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.

15 And God said to Abraham, "As for Sar'ai your wife, you shall not call her name Sar'ai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her; I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Mark 8:31-38 (NASB95)

31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men."

34 And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? 37 For what can a man give in return for his life? 38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Psalms 22:23-31(NASB95)

- ²³ You who fear the Lord, praise him! all you sons of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you sons of Israel!
- 24 For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted;
 and he has not hid his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.
- ²⁵ From thee comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.
- ²⁶ The afflicted^[a] shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live for ever!
- ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.^[b]
- ²⁸ For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.
- ²⁹ Yea, to him^[c] shall all the proud of the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and he who cannot keep himself alive.

³⁰ Posterity shall serve him;

Anthem

There is a Higher Throne

There is a higher throne
Than all this world has known
Where faithful ones from every tongue
Will one day come
Before the son we'll stand
Made Faultless through the lamb
Believing hearts find promised grace

Salvation comes
Hear heavens voices sing
Their thund'rous anthem rings
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies
Their praises rise
All glory, wisdom, power
Strength, thanks and honor are
To God our King who Reigns on high
Forevermore

And there we'll find our home
Our life before the throne
We'll honor him in perfect song
Where we belong
He'll wipe each teared-stained eye
As thirst and hunger die
The lamb becomes our Shepherd King

We'll reign with Him
Hears heaven's voices sing
Their thund'rous anthem ring
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