

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.

Guest Minister **Secretary**
Rev. Timothy Reeves Justine Anton

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Session

<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Kay Cromwell	Zac Cosner
Karen Perdue	George Mosley
Lynda Vick	Brad VonTungeln
	Logan Mosley
<u>Standing Committee Moderators:</u>	
Zac Cosner	Budget & Finance
Zac Cosner	Fellowship & Nurture
Kay Cromwell	Missions & Outreach
George Mosley	Building & Grounds
Logan Mosley	Education
Lynda Vick	Worship & Music

Announcements

The Church Office was notified this week that our former pastor Rev. David Gallaher passed away on August 12th. In Lieu of Flowers please donate to Hope Hospice in New Braunfels, TX or New Braunfels Presbyterian Church.

We are trying to clean up the Prayer Concerns List. If you have any additions or removals please email the church office or let Zac Cosner know.

We will have limited coverage in the office during the week for the foreseeable future. If you need assistance please contact us via email or message us on social media. Voicemails will be checked on Fridays. Email: office@centralprespb.com

Both Thursday Bible Studies are taking a break but will resume in the near future.

We are looking for a choir master/organist. If you know of someone who would be a good fit, please let Lynda Vick know.

Upcoming events

September 10th
Women's Circle

September 28-30
Jr. High Youthquake

October 27th
Trunk or Treat

Tuesday, December 11
Presbyterian Women's Dinner at Margland

Sunday School 9:45 am

Young Adults Sunday School 9:45 am

Choir Practice Wednesdays at 6:30 pm



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Sunday, September 2, 2018
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Jemmie: O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.

Jemmie: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Jemmie: Sing, and give praise to God's name;

All: Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy upon us, O God, for sin clings so closely and its burden is great. Because of sin our hands are at our sides when they should reach out to others. Our knees are shaky when we should be standing firm. We are victims of our own misdeeds, and we cannot escape sin's weight on our lives. Through Christ's intercession lift the burden from us, and help us walk in freedom and in strength. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

KYRIE ELEISON "Lord, Have Mercy"

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jemie: As God confused the language of all the earth to keep the people from idolatry,

**People: so God sent Christ with the universal message of salvation:
"Whoever calls on Christ's name shall be saved."**

Jemie: Brothers and sisters, trust that name and be assured:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

"Hymn of Promise"

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

James 1:17-27(NRSV)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 7:1-23 (NRSV)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"A True Reflection"

Rev. Timothy Reeves

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

see insert

*HYMN #761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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 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 (We use debts and debtors)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #39 Great is Thy Faithfulness**

***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.**

Ushers: Lynda Vick

Lay Reader: Jemie Moseley

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS

*Donna McCaleb
Bernice Lackey
Raymond Turner
Carol Brown
Karen Perdue
David Perdue*

*Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee
Lurline Elam*

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

<u><i>Name</i></u>	<u><i>Related to or Friend of</i></u>	<u><i>Name</i></u>	<u><i>Related to or Friend of</i></u>
<i>Dr. Laura Festa</i>	<i>wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa</i>	<i>The family of Ben McCool</i>	<i>friend of Zac Cosner</i>
<i>Gerry Eilbott Soltz</i>	<i>friend of Lawrence Fikes</i>	<i>Mary McBee</i>	<i>friend of Karen & David Perdue</i>
<i>Rebecca and Earl Phillips</i>	<i>friends of Karen and David Perdue</i>	<i>Family of Jared Pierce</i>	<i>friends of Laura Cosner</i>
<i>Doris McCoy</i>	<i>mother of Kay Cromwell</i>	<i>Franklin Ward</i>	<i>uncle of Dana Neal</i>
<i>Lois Tucker</i>	<i>neighbor of the Mosley Family</i>	<i>Ryker Cheek</i>	<i>nephew of Bubba VonTungeln</i>
<i>Max Zeng</i>	<i>Mike and Lan Kelly's son</i>	<i>Shannon Bass</i>	<i>daughter of Lawrence Fikes</i>
<i>Paul Finley</i>	<i>friend of the Mosley Family</i>	<i>The family of David Gallaher</i>	<i>former pastor</i>
<i>Cathy Risinger</i>	<i>sister of Kay Cromwell</i>	<i>Mildred Patterson</i>	<i>former member</i>
<i>Scott McGeorge</i>	<i>friend of Lawrence Fikes</i>	<i>Bob Henderson</i>	<i>friend of Dana Neal & Zac Cosner</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Wynne Church, Wynne

Commissioned Ruling Elders

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 again 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

James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

Hearing and Doing the Word

Know this, my beloved brethren. Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rank growth of wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if any one is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who observes his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But he who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer that forgets but a doer that acts, he shall be blessed in his doing.

If any one thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this man's religion is vain. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Mark 7:1-23 (NRSV)

Now when the Pharisees gathered together to him, with some of the scribes, who had come from Jerusalem, they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands defiled, that is, unwashed. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they wash their hands, observing the tradition of the elders; and when they come from the market place, they do not eat unless they purify themselves; and there are many other traditions which they observe, the washing of cups and pots and vessels of bronze. And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with hands defiled?" And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the precepts of men.'

You leave the commandment of God, and hold fast the tradition of men."

And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God, in order to keep your tradition! For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'He who speaks evil of father or mother, let him surely die'; but you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, What you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God) then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, thus making void the word of God through your tradition which you hand on. And many such things you do."

And he called the people to him again, and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a man which by going into him can defile him; but the things which come out of a man are what defile him." And when he had entered the house, and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a man from outside cannot defile him, since it enters, not his heart but his stomach, and so passes on?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a man is what defiles a man. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, fornication, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a man."

Anthem

Hymn Of Promise

In the bulb there is a flower;
In the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise;
Butterflies will soon be free!

In the cold and snow of winter,
There's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
What it holds a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; In our time, infinity.
In our doubt, there is believing; In our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; At the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, Something God alone can see;
Unrevealed until its season, Something yet unknown,
which God alone can see.