

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

Class of 2019 **Class of 2019**

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| Zac Cosner | Laura Cosner |
| George Mosley | Suzy VonTungeln |
| Brad VonTungeln | Denise Mosley |
| Logan Mosley | Jemmie Moseley |

Standing Committee Moderators:

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| Zac Cosner | Budget & Finance |
| Zac Cosner | Fellowship & Nurture |
| Kay Cromwell | Missions & Outreach |
| George Mosley | Building & Grounds |
| Logan Mosley | Education |
| Lynda Vick | Worship & Music |

Announcements

CPC Women's Circle meets on Monday Jan. 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Central Circle of Comfort will meet January 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Rev. Ben H. Bateman of Hot Springs, passed away at 87 on Dec. 31, 2018. A Presbyterian minister for over 50 years, Rev. Bateman served as a pastor at Dollarway Presbyterian Church and Bel Air Presbyterian Church here in Pine Bluff.

The following people have been confirmed as our commissioners to Trinity Village:
Zac Cosner, Connie Detmers, Jane Judkins, George Mosley, and Lynda Vick.

If you see something that needs to be addressed around the building please add it to the CPC Men's Job Jar on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall.

The Worship and Music Committee is looking for Volunteers to be Lay Leaders and Ushers for 2019. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board in McElyea Hall.

If you have a favorite hymn that you would like to see included in the Worship Service, please tell Laura Cosner.

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.

Sunday School 9:45 am

Young Adults Sunday School 9:45 am



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
(870) 879-9074
Sunday, January 6, 2019
Epiphany Sunday



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

Laura: Arise, shine; for your Light has come; and the glory of God has risen upon you.

People: Lift up your eyes and look around; sons and daughters gather together, they come to you.

Laura: Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice.

People: They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of God.

All: Let us worship God!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 634 To God Be The Glory**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Source of salvation and Bringer of light, we fail to sense the mystery of Your love. We bear grudges against our neighbors, while it is Your nature to forgive. We hold tightly to our possessions, while Christ blesses the poor. In Him, You have spoken peace, yet we live in turmoil. We care little for this planet, which You in goodness created for our habitation. In mercy forgive us, and help us to amend our ways. (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

Laura: God is righteous and just, and forgives the iniquity of all who repent.

**People: Like “rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth,”
God’s goodwill overflows toward us in the Babe of Bethlehem.**

Laura: Through that Child, who is our risen Lord, we plead for forgiveness and claim God’s mercy and assurance of pardon.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

“Anthem Let There Be Peace On Earth”
Soloist: Rose VonTungeln

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 60:1-6

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-12

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Crèche Invaders

Rev. Timothy Reeves

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

see insert

***HYMN # 824 There is a Place of Quiet Rest (Near to the Heart of God)**

OFFERTORY

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

*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

(We use debts and debtors)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN # 838 Standing on the Promises of God**

*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.**

Usher: Lawrence Fikes

Lay Reader: Laura Cosner

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS

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

**Mildred Gaunt
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Bea Magee
Lurline Elam
Suzy Von Tungeln
Mary Light**

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Related to or Friend of</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Related to or Friend of</u> |
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| Dr. Laura Festa | wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa | Mary McBee | friend of Karen & David Perdue |
| Scott McGeorge | friend of Lawrence Fikes | Kelsey Hicks | friend of Logan Mosley |
| Rebecca and Earl Phillips | friends of Karen and David Perdue | Franklin Ward | uncle of Dana Neal |
| Lois Tucker | neighbor of the Mosley Family | Ryker Cheek | nephew of Bubba VonTungeln |
| Max Zeng | Mike and Lan Kelly's son | Mildred Patterson | former member |
| Paul Finley | friend of the Mosley Family | Bob Henderson | friend of Dana Neal & Zac Cosner |
| Cathy Risinger | sister of Kay Cromwell | Clara Hammonds | Step-Grandmother of Bubba Vontungeln |
| John Salvadore | uncle of Zac Cosner | Dianne Aud | friend of Denise Mosley |
| Pat Mosley | mother of George Mosley | Elaine Porter | friend of Dana Neal |
| Jennifer Place | friend of Laura Cosner | Dale Hale | friend of Laura Cosner |
| Cathy Cosner | Zac Cosner's Mother | Lydia Wright | Rev. Timothy Reeves & Jane Reeves' Granddaughter |

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Clarksville

Park Hill, North Little Rock

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

2 For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will be seen upon you.

3 And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.

4 Lift up your eyes round about, and see;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far,
and your daughters shall be carried in the arms.

5 Then you shall see and be radiant,
your heart shall thrill and rejoice;[a]
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

6 A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Mid'ian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-12

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, 2 "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." 3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet:

6 'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will govern my people Israel.'"

7 Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; 8 and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." 9 When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; 11 and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. 12 And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Anthem

Let There Be Peace On Earth

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let There Be Peace on Earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father

Brothers all are we

Let me walk with my brother

In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now.

With ev'ry step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live

Each moment in peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me