

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

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>
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Standing Committee Moderators:

Zac Cosner	Budget & Finance
Suzy VonTungeln	Fellowship & Nurture
Jemmie Moseley	Missions & Outreach
George Mosley	Building & Grounds
Denise Mosley	Education
Laura Cosner	Worship & Music

Announcements

The Session would like to announce that we will be holding a congregational meeting during the worship service on January 5th. No votes will be held and this is for information only.

CPC will be installing the Session Class of 2021 on Sunday January 19th.

CPC Christmas Ornaments are available for \$5. Display stands are also available. See Zac Cosner for more details.

We Need Volunteers for taking Advent Décor down on Jan. 4th.

Sunday School 9:45 am.

Young Adults Sunday School 9:45 am.



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Sunday, December 29, 2019
1st Sunday of Christmas



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

William: I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, the praiseworthy acts of God most high.

People: Because of all that the Lord has done for us, according to the abundance of God's love.

William: It was your presence that saved the house of Israel, your love and pity redeemed them.

People: We join with them as your people, O God, your children who sing you our praises.

William: Let us worship God!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #140 Once in Royal David's City**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. (And now silently) Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON "Lord, Have Mercy"

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

William: As people born of water and the Spirit

we have died to the old life, and a new life has begun.

God's grace is poured out upon us day by day.

Come to the water and remember your baptism.

Be thankful, and live as one who has been raised to new life!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Amen.

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

see insert

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 2:13-23

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

God's Special Delivery

Rev. Timothy Reeves

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

see insert

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #147 The First Nowell**

OFFERTORY

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

see insert

***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)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #132 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice**

***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: Logan Mosley

Lay Reader: William D. VonTungeln III

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS

*Donna McCaleb
Bernice Lackey
Carol Brown
Karen Perdue
David Perdue
Nelson Buchanan*

*Suzy VonTungeln
Hester Insley
Mary Kientz
Lurline Elam
Denise Mosley
Mary Light*

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Name

Dr. Laura Festa *wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa*
Scott McGeorge *friend of Lawrence Fikes*
Rebecca and Earl Phillips *friends of Karen and David Perdue*
Max Zeng *Mike and Lan Kelly's son*
Luis Sanchez *father of Lizabeth Sanchez*
Jorga Walker *wife of Donald Walker*
Rev. Rebecca Spooner *friend of the church*

Name

Carol Taylor *friend of Denise Mosley*
Franklin Ward *uncle of Dana Neal*
Ryker Cheek *nephew of Bubba VonTungeln*
Jennifer Place *friend of Laura Cosner*
Clara Hammonds *Step-Grandmother of Bubba VonTungeln*
Lydia Wright *Rev. Timothy Reeves & Jane Reeves' Granddaughter*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Memorial Church, Atkins

First, Walnut Ridge

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.

Gloria Patri

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.

Doxology

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..

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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:13-23

13Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." 14Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, 15and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

16When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. 17Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: 18"A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."

19When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 20"Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." 21Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. 22But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. 23There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

ANTHEM

I Need Thee Every Hour

1 I need thee every hour,
most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine
can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee,
every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior--
I come to thee!

2 I need thee every hour;
stay thou near by;
temptations lose their power
when thou art nigh.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee,
every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior--
I come to thee!

3 I need thee every hour;
teach me thy will,
and thy rich promises
in me fulfill.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee,
every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior--
I come to thee!

4 I need thee every hour,
Most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed,
thou blessed Son.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee,
every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior--
I come to thee!