

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

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## Announcements

We will continue with online worship services throughout the month of June. We miss all of you and pray that we see each other face to face soon!

The Presbytery of Arkansas has canceled both summer youth trips. But, the Synod of the Sun is offering an online youth workshop July 13-17th. Registration is free and will include a free shirt!

Also the Presbytery is offering to cover the \$100 cost of Montreat @ Home July 20-14th. Both Events will take place online and is for rising 9th graders to Graduated Seniors and interested Adult Leaders. If you have an interested youth, please contact Zac Cosner.

The PC(USA) General Assembly is taking place virtually! You can catch up on the happenings or watch it live June 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at [www.ga-pcusa.org](http://www.ga-pcusa.org)

Archives of our Online Services can be found on Facebook and YouTube! Links to each are on our website, [CentralPrespb.com](http://CentralPrespb.com)



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas  
Sunday, June 21, 2020  
Twelfth 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**

Zac: You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you I cry all day long.

People: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

Zac: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

People: Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

Zac: Let us worship God!

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, we know Christ died to free us from sin, and to free us for obedience. But we have failed to live in that knowledge. In many ways, Lord, we have denied you. To those who seek your help, you grant strength and salvation; yet we strive to do for ourselves. To those who lift their hearts, you bend low; yet we forget and fail to call on you. To those who die in faith, you bestow new life; yet we cling to what is safe and continue to sin. Lord, forgive our lack of gratitude, our neglect of your good gifts, our selfish living. Bind us to you, that we might live for you. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Zac: 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.**

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:** Genesis 21:8-21

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:** Matthew 10:24-39

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON**

*Broader Than the Measures of the Mind*

**Rev. Timothy Reeves**

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

see insert

**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**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*\*POSTLUDE**

*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.**

**Lay Reader: Zac Cosner**



## SCRIPTURE

### **First Reading: Genesis 21:8-21**

<sup>8</sup>The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned.

<sup>9</sup>But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. <sup>10</sup>So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." <sup>11</sup>The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. <sup>12</sup>But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. <sup>13</sup>As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring."

<sup>14</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. <sup>15</sup>When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. <sup>16</sup>Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. <sup>17</sup>And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. <sup>18</sup>Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." <sup>19</sup>Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. <sup>20</sup>God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. <sup>21</sup>He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

## SCRIPTURE CONTINUED

### **Second Reading: Matthew 10:24-39**

<sup>24</sup>"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup>"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. <sup>34</sup>"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup>and one's foes will be members of one's own household. <sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.