



Zac **CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas



Sunday, August 30, 2020

Twenty-second 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 (Responsive)

Zac: The God of heaven has made his home on earth.

People: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Zac: Highest in all creation, he lives among the least.

People: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Zac: Come now all who thirst

People: And drink the water of life.

Zac: Come now all who hunger

People: And be filled with good things.

Zac: Come now all who seek

People: And be warmed by the fire of love.

CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gladly, O God, we live and move and have our being in you. Yet always in the midst of this creation-glory, we see sin's shadow and feel death's darkness: around us in the earth, sea, and sky -- the abuse of matter; beside us in the broken, the hungry, and the poor -- the betrayal of one another; and often, deep within us -- a striving against your Spirit. O Trinity of love, forgive us that we may forgive one another, heal us that we may be people of healing, and renew us that we may also be makers of peace. 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

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG ONES

Rose VonTungeln

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Exodus 3:1-15

³Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." ¹³But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:

Romans 12:9-21

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 16:21-28

²¹From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Goody Two-Shoes

Rev. Timothy Reeves

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***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.

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

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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.

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.

Announcements

Dominik Munn has placed a Blessings Box at the fire department in Grady. If you are interested in donating non-parishable food items or books please contact Jessica Munn or the Church via Social Media.

Archives of our Online Services can be found on Facebook and YouTube! Links to each are on our website, CentralPrespb.com

CPC now has online giving available! Check out our website www.centralprespb.com and look for the "Donate Now" Link. We take credit cards, debit cards and checks! You can also set up recurring donations (Weekly, Bi-Weekly or Monthly).

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