



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Sunday, April 11, 2021
Second Sunday in Easter

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: In life, in death, in life beyond death,

People: Jesus Christ is Lord.

Zac: Over powers and principalities, over all who determine, control, govern, or finance the affairs of humankind,

People: Jesus Christ is Lord.

Zac: Of the poor, of the broken, of the sinned against and the sinner,

People: Jesus Christ is Lord.

Zac: Above the church, beyond our most excellent theologies and in the quiet corners of our hearts,

People: Jesus Christ is Lord.

Zac: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you are light, and in you there is no darkness at all. We call ourselves children of light, but sometimes we act otherwise: we love ourselves more than others, we manipulate others to get our own way, and then pretend to be innocent. We deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Shine your light into our dark places. Bring the truth to our lips. In your faithfulness, receive our confession and forgive us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Zac: The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDRENS SERMON

ROSE VONTUNGELN

FIRST READING:

Acts 4:32-35

32 Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. **33**With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. **34**There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. **35**They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

SECOND READING:

1 John 1:1-2:2

1We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— **2**this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— **3**we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. **4**We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. **6**If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; **7**but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. **8**If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **9**If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **10**If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; **2**and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

THIRD READING:

John 20:19-31

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' **20**After he said this,

he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Timothy Reeves

Far from Perfect but Not Beyond Hope!

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.

OFFERTORY

***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

***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

*Donna McCaleb
Bernice Lackey
The Brown Family
Karen Perdue
Adam Vick
Skarlett Munn
Andy Matlock
Suzy VonTungeln*

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FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

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<i>Hailey Chandler</i>	<i>Friend of the Church</i>	<i>Family of Charles May</i>	<i>Friend of Central</i>
<i>Dr. Laura Festa</i>	<i>wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa</i>	<i>Carol Taylor</i>	<i>friend of Denise Mosley</i>
<i>Scott McGeorge</i>	<i>friend of Lawrence Fikes</i>	<i>Franklin Ward</i>	<i>uncle of Dana Neal</i>
<i>Rebecca and Earl Phillips</i>	<i>friends of Karen and David Perdue</i>	<i>Ryker Cheek</i>	<i>nephew of Bubba VonTungeln</i>
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Good Shepherd, Greenwood

Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista

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

The Session of CPC has decided to stick with Virtual Services for the foreseeable future. Keep in contact with us via social media (Username: CentralPresPB) or at our website for announcements about any special services and when we plan to resume in person worship.

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

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