



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas**  
**Sunday, January 30, 2022**  
**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**Organ/Piano Young Ju Oh**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) From Genesis 1, Revelation 21:5**

Lay Reader: As followers of Christ, we are called to bring a hopeful understanding of our world declaring that God called the created universe "good."

**People: We are called to bring this hope in God with us wherever we go declaring that God makes all things new again.**

Lay Reader: Jesus taught that we should love God and love one another.

**People: So let's join together in our love of God to worship and give thanks.**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 54**

**Make a Joyful Noise to God!**

**1 Make a joyful noise to God!  
All creation sings your praise!  
Great your wonders here displayed,  
unexcelled throughout our days.  
Glorious is your sacred name,  
ages old, yet still the same.**

**2 Come and see what God has done,  
Great the blessings to the just:  
Walked the chosen through the sea,  
brought their enemies to dust.  
Let us lift a thankful voice  
for God's mercies, and rejoice!**

**3 Bless the Lord, our refuge sure;  
let our songs of praise be heard!  
By whose justice, we are tried;  
by whose graces, our guilt deferred.  
When our life's sure end shall come,  
bring us to your heavenly home.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Rev. Jai Kwak**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Lay Reader: Let us humbly approach God's throne of grace to confess our sins and present ourselves honestly before our Savior.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Savior God, you call us to love but we relish the fight. We divide ourselves into us and them and refuse to cross over, compromise, or contemplate the ways of the other side. Amen. Humble us in our certainty and arrogance, God. Remind us of the power of love calm conflict and wage peace. (Silent Prayer) Amen**

**KYRIE ELEISON: "Lord, Have Mercy"**

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



26 Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

28 God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

29 Then God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;

30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food”; and it was so.

31 God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

*Behold! It Was Very Good!*  
*(Genesis Revisited Sermon Series II)*

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We confess that we believe our God has created all men and women after his own image and likeness. But by the transgression of our own, we became enemies of God and servants to sin. Yet God is rich in mercy and love, even when we were dead in our wrongdoings, made us alive together with Christ, raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. We believe that by the grace of God, we have been saved through faith; not of ourselves, not a result of our works. Therefore, we acknowledge that We are His workmanship, created anew in Christ Jesus. God called us to a new life in Christ. We are to rejoice always, pray continuously, and give thanks always. Amen.

## CALL TO OFFERTORY

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

**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.**

## **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

**HYMN # 93**

### **Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gate**

**1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;  
behold the King of glory waits;  
the King of kings is drawing near;  
the Savior of the world is here.**

**2 Fling wide the portals of your heart;  
make it a temple, set apart  
from earthly use for heaven's employ,  
adorned with prayer and love and joy.**

**3 Redeemer, come! I open wide  
my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide.  
Let me thy inner presence feel;  
thy grace and love in me reveal.**

## **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**

## **FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

### **CLOSING HYMN # 307      God of Grace and God of Glory**

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

**\*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.***

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

<i>Dominik Munn</i>	<i>Sydney Hayes</i>
<i>Bernice Lackey</i>	<i>Hester Insley</i>
<i>Emil &amp; Carol Brown</i>	<i>Karen Perdue</i>
	<i>Jemmie Moseley</i>

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
<i>Dr. Laura Festa</i>	<i>Wife of former pastor, Dr. Dan Festa</i>	<i>Ryker Cheek</i>	<i>Nephew of Bubba VonTungeln</i>
<i>Scott McGeorge</i>	<i>Friend of Lawrence Fikes</i>	<i>Anita Rodriguez</i>	<i>Daughter of Mary Light</i>
<i>Rebecca and Earl Phillips</i>	<i>Friends of Karen Perdue</i>	<i>Jorga Walker</i>	<i>Wife of Donald Walker</i>
<i>Max Zeng</i>	<i>Mike and Lan Kelly's son</i>	<i>Norman McPherson</i>	<i>Friend of the Pam Riegler Family</i>
<i>Luis Sanchez</i>	<i>Father of Lizabeth Sanchez</i>	<i>Haley Chandler</i>	<i>Friend of the Church</i>

***PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:***

*First, Benton*

*Active Ruling Elders*

***PLEASE PRAY FOR 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

**TODAY** we will be having a Blue Moon Bingo Dinner at 5:30 pm! We encourage everyone to bring Soup, Chili, and Sandwich Fixings and a \$5 gift for our Bingo Game! A Signup Sheet is in McElyea Hall.

**Sunday February 13<sup>th</sup>** we will be collecting for Souper Bowl of Caring. All donations go to Neighbor to Neighbor of Pine Bluff.

**Sunday February 13<sup>th</sup>** we will also be having the Valentine's Banquet following worship followed by our monthly Session Meeting. This will replace February's 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Fellowship Luncheon.

**Thursday Night Bible Study** is back! We start at 6:30pm and we hope to see you there!

**Sunday School** starts at 9:50am every Sunday Morning. Please join us for this time of learning!

You can catch live broadcasts of our services or watch them after the fact on our Facebook page! Find the link on our website, [CentralPresPB.com](http://CentralPresPB.com)

### Pastor

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

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### Session

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Suzy VonTungeln

#### Standing Committee Moderators:

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

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Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Danny Reeves - Building & Grounds

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music