



# CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas Sunday, October 23, 2022 20th Sunday after Pentecost

# GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE

(Light Bearers: Langston Cosner & Skarlett Munn)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura: All who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.

People: We humble ourselves before our God, ready to hear and receive God's truth.

## \*OPENING HYMN # 33. Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

- 1 Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia! saints within God's courts below, Alleluia! angels round the throne above, Alleluia! all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!
- 2 Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia!
  Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia!
  Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia!
  Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia!
- 3 Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia! in the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia! All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia! singing praise forevermore, Alleluia!

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

The path of faithfulness is oftentimes difficult and full of obstacles of our own making. Let us humbly approach the God who calls and creates, confessing the sins that turn us away from new life in Christ.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you formed us from the dust of the earth and breathed life into our bodies. Yet we take these lives for granted, choosing destructive paths and unhealthy habits. We turn to idols that addict and enslave, instead of the liberating resources Christ provides. Forgive our foolishness, God our Redeemer, and grant us the wisdom to follow you in faith. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON: "Lord, Have Mercy"

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

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Isaiah 43:1)

Our God, who restores and resurrects, grants us new life in Jesus Christ. Know that you are forgiven and live fully in joyful freedom. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

**Hymnal #581** 

"Glory Be to the Father"

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.



Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring Ring with the harmonies of Liberty Let our rejoicing rise High as the listening skies Let it resound loud as the rolling sea

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us Facing the rising sun of our new day begun Let us march on till victory is won

Stony the road we trod Bitter the chastening rod
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died Yet with a steady beat Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered
Out from the gloomy past Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast

God of our weary years God of our silent tears Thou who has brought us thus far on the way Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light Keep us forever in the path, we pray

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee Shadowed beneath Thy hand May we forever stand True to our God True to our native land

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jessica Munn

Piano/Organ: Young Ju Oh

Matthew 3:16-17 (NASB95)

16After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, 17and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

#### Romans 12:1-2 (NASB95)

1Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. 2And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON "Living and Holy Sacrifice" Rev. Jai Kwak

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN # 69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save
I, who made the stars of night I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

### [Chorus]

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night I will go, Lord, if you lead me I will hold your people in my heart

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain I have borne my people's pain I have wept for love of them They turn away I will break their hearts of stone Give them hearts for love alone I will speak my words to them Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord!

Amen.

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING** 

Rev. Jai Kwak

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY Hymnal #606

"Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow"

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

#### 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

<sup>\*</sup>Affirmation of Faith (From A Brief Statement of Faith)

#### FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

#### **CLOSING HYMN #839 Blessed Assurance Jesus Is Mine!**

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain)
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest. I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** 

\*\*POSTLUDE

#### **EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

Go forth into the world rejoicing. Love and serve the Lord.

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Dominik MunnSydney HayesJemmie MoseleyHester InsleyEmil & Carol BrownKaren Perdue

#### FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Name Name Allie Cooper Friends of Denise Mosley Rebecca and Earl Friends of Karen Perdue **Phillips** Carrol Taylor Max Zeng Dr. Laura Festa Mike and Lan Kelly's son Wife of Dr. Dan Festa Father of Lizabeth Sanchez Haley Chandler Friend of the Church Luis Sanchez **Bernice Collins** Friend of the Church Pat Mosley Mother of George Mosley

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

First, Helena

West End, Arkadelphia

# 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.

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#### Session

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#### **Standing Committee Moderators:**

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

## Announcements

Today we are holding our annual Harvest Luncheon. Our Lord invites everyone to His table. All are invited. Please come and be blessed. Special thanks to those who prepared food for this memorable time.

Pastor Jai and Young are going to be out of the country from October 24<sup>th</sup> till Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. The choir will continue to gather on Wednesday evenings to practice for the Christmas Cantata. If you have an urgent need while they are gone, feel free to contact Zac Cosner.

We will be welcoming Rev. Rebecca Spooner to our pulpit the next two weeks while Jai and Young are gone.

Neighbor to Neighbor is asking us for 60 cans of Cranberry sauce for Thanksgiving. The deadline is Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.

The PW will be holding their annual bake sale on Saturday Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow.

You can find out more information on what's going on around the church, download old bulletins, tithe online, catch live broadcasts of our services, or watch them after the fact on our website, CentralPresPB.com



Psalms 136:1