



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Sunday, October 30th, 2022
21st Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 26

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 (Based on Luke 14:11)

Laura: We believe God still creates—

People: We want to see more clearly.

Laura: We believe God still speaks—

People: We want to listen more carefully.

Laura: We believe God still guides—

People: We want to walk more faithfully.

Laura: We believe God still breathes life into the world—

People: We want to inhale more deeply.

Laura: May this be a time of seeing, hearing, walking, breathing.

People: May this be a time of true worship. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN #310 I Love Thy Kingdom Lord**

CALL TO CONFESSION

We belong to God. Nothing can break this covenant. Let us, then, with confidence approach God to honestly confess our sins in prayer.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, hear our confession as we pray in Christ's name. We claim to be faithful, but we do not obey Your commandments. We boast of our hope, yet we don't dwell in faith. We gather security about us while others go hungry. We arm ourselves mightily as though we could buy peace of mind. We hear Christ's words of assurance, but we don't live in His promise. Forgive our ambivalence, as in Christ we repent. (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

Laura: Our help is in God. "It is God who justifies.... It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

People: Who will separate us from the love of Christ?"

Laura: Know that as we confess our sin, God is just.

People: Through Jesus Christ, who intercedes on our behalf, we have assurance that:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

***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.**

ANTHEM

As The Deer

**As the deer panteth for the water So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship Thee**

**You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee**

**You're my friend And You are my brother Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other So much more than anything**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Luke 19:1-10

19 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 And [a]there was a man called by the name of Zaccheus; he was a chief tax collector and he was rich. 3 Zaccheus was trying to see who Jesus was, and he was unable due to the crowd, because he was short in stature. 4 So he ran on ahead and climbed up a [b]sycamore tree in order to see Him, because He was about to pass through that way. 5 And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zaccheus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house." 6 And he hurried and came down, and received Him [c]joyfully. 7 When the people saw this,

they all began to complain, saying, “He has gone in [d]to be the guest of a man who is a sinner!” 8 But Zaccheus stopped and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, half of my possessions I am giving to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone, I am giving back four times as much.” 9 And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

1 The pronouncement which Habakkuk the prophet saw: 2 How long, Lord, have I called for help, And You do not hear? I cry out to You, “Violence!” Yet You do not save. 3 Why do You make me see disaster, And make me look at destitution? Yes, devastation and violence are before me; Strife exists and contention arises. 4 Therefore the Law is ignored, And justice is never upheld. For the wicked surround the righteous; Therefore justice comes out confused.

2 I will stand at my guard post And station myself on the watchtower; And I will keep watch to see what He will say to me, And how I may reply when I am reprimanded. 2 Then the Lord answered me and said, “Write down the vision And inscribe it clearly on tablets, So that one who reads it may run. 3 For the vision is yet for the appointed time; It hurries toward the goal and it will not fail. Though it delays, wait for it; For it will certainly come, it will not delay long. 4 “Behold, as for the impudent one, His soul is not right within him; But the righteous one will live by his faith.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Rebecca Spooner

“Do We Have A Vision?”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN #450 Be Thou My Vision

***Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed**

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 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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING HYMN #465 What A Friend We Have In Jesus

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>Jemie Moseley</i>	<i>Hester Insley</i>
<i>Emil & Carol Brown</i>	<i>Karen Perdue</i>

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Presbyterian Church of Bull Shoals

First, 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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Standing Committee Moderators:

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Danny Reeves - Building & Grounds

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

Announcements

We welcome Rev. Rebecca Spooner to our pulpit for the next two weeks. Pastor Jai and Young are going to be out of the country from October 24th till Nov. 11th. If you have an urgent need while they are gone, feel free to contact Zac Cosner.

The choir will continue to gather on Wednesday evenings to practice for the Christmas Cantata.

Today is the deadline for our Neighbor to Neighbor Thanksgiving Cranberry Sauce Drive. They are asking us for a donation of 60 cans by Nov. 1st.

Saturday Nov. 19th is the PW Bake Sale. We'll begin at 9am. Please make plans to attend to support the mission work our ladies undertake with the proceeds from this sale!

If you have yet to do so, please make sure your pledge cards are turned in before Nov. 20 so the budgeting process can continue for 2023.

We are looking for volunteers to help decorate the church for Advent. We'll be decorating at 9am on Nov. 26th. We hope to see you there!

The annual Moravian Love Feast will be held on Sunday Nov. 27th at 5:30pm. We look forward to this time of fellowship.

Your
Kingdom
Come