



CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Sunday, April 2, 2023
Palm/Passion Sunday

GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE

Organ/Piano Young Ju Oh

CALL TO WORSHIP (Matthew 21:5, 9)

George : Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey,
All : **Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

***OPENING HYMN # 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

2 From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, the victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

3 "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Jai Kwak

CALL TO CONFESSION

As we enter Holy Week, let us prepare our hearts to follow Jesus to the cross by confessing all that turns us from our Savior's path.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Abba God, Father of Jesus, forgive our lack of respect and attention as your son enters this most painful of weeks. We, like the disciples, fall asleep when Jesus asks us to stay awake and pray. Our minds wander as he sets his path straight for Jerusalem to speak truth to power on our behalf. We are careless with our faith, while Jesus acts with extraordinary love. Forgive our apathy. Forgive our inattention. Forgive our careless and self-serving attitudes. Remind us, this Holy Week, of the salvation you offer in Jesus Christ. Let us not take this gracious gift for granted. (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

Pastor: "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!" In the name of Jesus Christ, know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***GLORIA PATRI**

"Glory be to the Father"

Hymnal #581

**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.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

**You are the King of Glory (by Mavis Ford)
& Hosanna (by Carl Turtle)**

Central Choir

You are the King of Glory, you are the Price of Peace

You are the Lord of heaven and earth, You are the Son of righteousness

Angels bow down before you, worship and a-dore

For you have the words of eternal life

You are Jesus Christ the Lord

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Lord, we lift up your name, with hearts full of praise

Be exalted, O Lord my God, Hosanna in the highest

CHILDRENS SERMON

Rose VonTungeln

SCRIPTURE READING

Jessica Munn

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9 (ESV)

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Second Reading: Psalm 118:25–26 (ESV)

25 Save us, we pray, O LORD!

O LORD, we pray, give us success!

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Third Reading: Matthew 21:7–11 (ESV)

7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. **8** Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. **9** And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” **10** And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” **11** And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Who is This?

Rev. Jai D. Kwak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN #353 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

**My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.**

Refrain:

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.
(Refrain)**

**His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
(Refrain)**

**When he shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in him be found;
Dressed in his righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.
(Refrain)**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostle's 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 again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on 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

OFFERING

***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 heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF 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 THE LORD'S PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN # 735 I Need Thee Every Hour**

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine
can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby; temptations lose their power
when thou art nigh. (Refrain)

I need thee every hour, teach me thy will, and thy rich promises in me fulfill;
(Refrain)

I need thee every hour, most Holy One; O make me thine indeed,
thou blessed Son. (Refrain)

***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

*Mosley Family
Jemmie Moseley
Karen Perdue*

*Emil & Carol Brown
Hester Insley
Munn Family*

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
<i>Allie Cooper & Carol Taylor</i>	<i>Friends of Denise Mosley</i>	<i>Rebecca & Earl Phillips</i>	<i>Friends of Karen Perdue</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>
<i>Jason McGriff</i>	<i>Friend of Jessica Munn</i>		

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:

Mt. Comfort, Fayetteville

First, Dardanelle

**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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George Mosley - Building & Ground

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

Announcements

The order form for Easter Lilies can be found in the bulletin.

Maundy Thursday Worship will be held this Thursday, April 6th at 6 pm. A meal will be provided.

Good Friday, April 7th, the church sanctuary will be open from 11 am to 1 pm for prayer & quiet meditation. The evening Good Friday Service will be held @ 6 pm.

Easter Sunday Events:

Easter Breakfast 9 am

Egg Hunt 10 am

Worship Service with the choir presenting Easter Cantata 11 am

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be collected on Easter Sunday. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

