

WELCOME TO  
OZARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We warmly welcome you to Ozark Presbyterian Church, where we strive to live as faithful followers of Jesus our Savior and King. At the end of each pew is the friendship register – please take a moment to write down your name (and other information if it has changed or if you are a visitor) and pass it along the row and then pass it back for all to see who is sitting near to them. Please greet your neighbors at the close of the service!*

**Congratulations!**

We congratulate Allen Smith, Andrew Smith, and Austin Smith, who were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout on Thursday night. This is a hard-won and noteworthy achievement; please remember to congratulate them in person.

**In Memoriam**

A memorial gift has graciously been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Benny Kevin Casey of Ozark, Alabama  
May 21, 1963 – August 27, 2016

Your elders and deacons have been elected and ordained to serve you in the name of Christ. Please pray for them often and feel free to contact any one of them if you have a need or if you have any questions that they might be able to answer for you.

**Diaconate:** Bill Blackmon, Jr.; John Davis;  
Brian McCready

**Session:** Frank C. Ellis, Jr., *Moderator*;  
Durwood Judah, *Clerk*;  
Billy Blackmon; Wes Brunson;  
Jeff May, Pete Mosley

Robert McLaughlin, *deacon emeritus*,  
Earl Griffin, *elder emeritus*

*We proclaim Christ, who is  
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.*

*Through him we are  
Taught by the Truth, and  
Liberated by the Life, to  
Walk in the Way.*

*The goal of our instruction is love for God and neighbor  
that flows from a pure heart and  
a clear conscience and  
a sincere faith.*

**The Hymn 561**, *standing as able*

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

**The Confession of Our Faith**

The Apostles' Creed, A.D. 390

*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.*

**The Passing of the Peace**

Romans 5 1

Minister: *Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you all.*  
People: **And also with you.**

**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Benediction and the People's Amen**

Numbers 6:24-26

*The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. AMEN.*

**The Postlude**



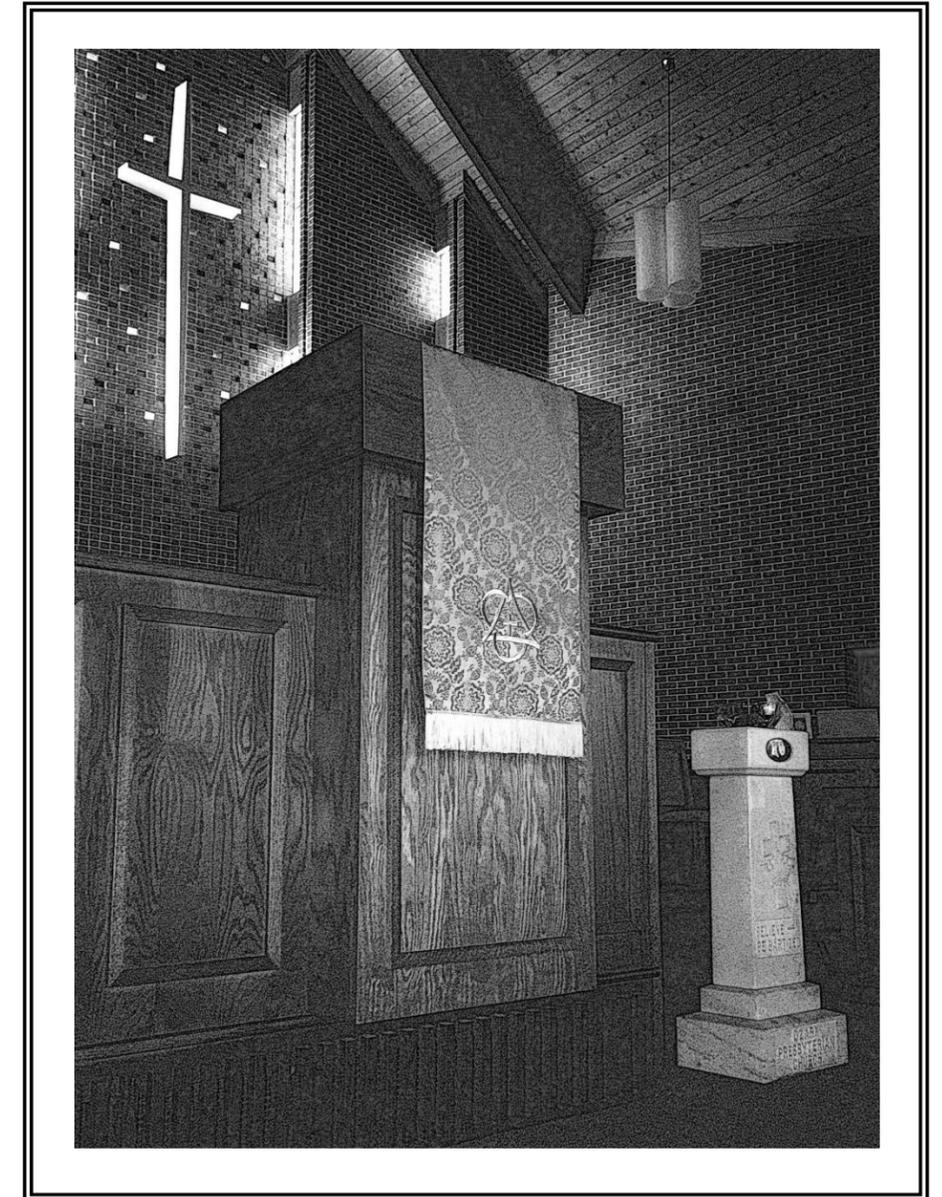
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*Taught by the Truth and Liberated by the Life to Walk in the Way*



*The LORD reigns as king; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!  
The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.  
Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!  
~Psalm 99:1-3*

**THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP**

**October 16, 2016 11:00 a.m.**

*Organized to the Glory of God in 1893*

## The Greeting

## The Call to Worship

Hebrews 12:18. 22-24

*You have not come to what may be touched.... You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.*

## The Prelude

***Silent Prayer:*** Lord God Almighty, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Father, grant that we may be grounded and settled in the Truth, by the coming down of your Holy Spirit into our hearts. That which we do not know, reveal; that which is wanting in us, fill up; that which we know, confirm, and keep us blameless in your service. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN. (St. Clement of Rome, early 2<sup>nd</sup> century)

## The Ascription of Praise, *standing as able*

Revelation 5:11-14

Minister: *Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,*

**All: *“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”***

Minister: *And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,*

**All: *“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”***

Minister: *And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.*

## The Hymn 539

Jerusalem the Golden

## The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

## The *Gloria Patri*

Latin Hymn, A.D. 529

**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.**

*All may be seated*

## The Call to Confession

Hebrews 12:25

*See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven.*

## The Prayer of Confession

Minister: You, O Lord, are our Father; our Redeemer from everlasting is your name. In your mercy, look on us who are burdened with the weight of our wicked words and ways, troubled by temptations, distressed by detestable desires. Apart from you, we have no hope; there is none to rescue us but you, O Savior of humanity. *Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver us.*

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

**All: *O Lord, make haste to help us!*** Do not deal with us according to our disobedience and the evil we have done, but according to your steadfast love forgive us our sins for the sake of your holy Name. For you have redeemed us with the precious blood of your Son...

## The Individual Confession of Sin, *in silence*

## The Prayer for Peace and Grace

## The Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:4-7

*God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved, in whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace...*

## The Hymn 537, vv.1, 3, 4, *standing as able*

Take Time to Be Holy

## The Prayer for Holiness

*All may be seated*

## The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*You are invited to write down your ministry and/or prayer requests (joys and concerns) on the cards in the cards in the pew racks. Please place them in the offering plate or hand them to one of the elders at the end of the service.*

## The Prayer of Dedication

## The Offertory

## The Doxology, *standing as able*

Thomas Ken, 1674

**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.**

*All may be seated*

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

## The Lord’s Prayer

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.***

## The Scripture Lesson

Mark 8 14-21

## The Prayer for Illumination

## The Sermon

Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Some thoughts on Hebrews 12:18-24,  
our Call to Worship today

Although it appears to our senses that our worship takes place within the four walls of our sanctuary, the truth is somewhat different. When we are called to worship, the Lord himself summons the people of God “to accept by faith our heavenly positioning in Christ. The Lord has forgiven us and now invites us ‘in close’ to praise him and hear His life-giving Word. This is objectively true whether we feel like it or not. Although everything may still ‘look’ the same, by faith we understand that the roof of the Church has been rolled back not only to expose the heavenly service in progress but also to incorporate us into it. Cherubim and seraphim, angels and archangels, together with the church triumphant are now ‘visible’ to the eye of faith. Heaven and earth are now joined and we have been ushered into the festal assembly gathered around the throne of the Lamb. We lift up our hearts to the Lord.”

Jeffrey J. Meyers,

*The Lord’s Service:*

*The Grace of Covenant Renewal Worship*