

TATES CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

14 February 2010

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

8:30 and 11:00 AM

*We cross the threshold of the secular to the sacred,
From the common to the uncommon,
From the profane to the Holy . . .*

The Prelude

When the Saints
Handbell Choir

arr. Bisbee

The Call to Worship

The Minister: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

The People: He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever. Holy and awesome is His name!

The Minister: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption. And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

The People: Salvation belongs to the Lord.

The Minister: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

The People: Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

The Minister: God my King is from of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth.

The People: Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for Your name's sake!

The Minister: Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you.

The People: The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

The Minister: The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness.

The People: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

*The Hymn of Praise

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

No. 498

*The Invocation

Unison: Almighty and merciful Father, in this Lord's Day give us eyes to see anew the beauty and wonder of Your holiness, majesty, and glory. Give us minds that remember Your salvation and hearts sensitive to Your grace. So fill us with Your Spirit that streams of living water will flow from our lives into the world around us. Amen.

*The Gloria

The Gloria Patri

MEINEKE

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-
gin ning is now, and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The Anthem

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Pinkston

Lord Jesus, think on me and purge away my sin; from earthborn passions set me free and make me pure within. Lord Jesus, think on me amid the battle's strife; in all my pain and misery be Thou my health and life. Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point Thou the heavenly way. Lord Jesus, think on me, that when this life is past I may Thy glorious brightness see and share Thy joy at last.

The Reading of Scripture

The Minister: The Word of the Lord.

The People: Thanks be to God!

Acts 18:1-17

Pew Bible page 927

The Rev. Mark Randle (8:30)

Will Witherington (11:00)

The Prayer of Confession

Unison: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 4:14-16

The Minister: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

***The Hymn**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

No. 528

***The Confession 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 Spirit, 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 Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Doxology*

DUKE STREET



Praise God from whom all__ bless - ings__ flow; praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;



Praise Him a - bove ye__ heav' nly__ host; praise Fa- ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

***The Offertory Reading**

The Minister: Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

The People: For the Lord is good, His steadfast love endures forever.

***The Offertory Prayer**

The Offertory

The Solo

Megan McCauley, soprano

(Children 4 yrs – Kindergarten are dismissed for children’s worship in Room 118)

The Sermon

**The Reverend John P. Sartelle, Sr.
Senior Minister**

“Bringing the Gospel to an Extravagant, Debauched Decadence”

The Text: *“After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth”* – Acts 18:1

***The Hymn of Response**

No. 164

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

***The Benediction**

The Postlude

Toccata Perpetua

Smith

*Congregation to stand if able