

TATES CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

18 September 2011

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Debbie Endean, piano

The Call to Worship

The Minister: As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for You, O God.

The People: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

The Minister: O God, You are my God, earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You, my body longs for You, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

The People: I have seen You in the sanctuary and beheld Your power and Your glory.

The Minister: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

The People: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

*The Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise

No. 34

* The Invocation

Unison: Almighty Father, we come into Your sanctuary asking in the name of Your Son and by the power of Your Spirit that this might be a time of worship and a time of transformation; a time of praise and a time of conversion; a time of reverence and a time of repentance; a time of joy and celebration in Your goodness and grace. Amen.

*The Gloria

REGENT SQUARE



The Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

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The Anthem

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

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On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye to Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie. Don't you feel like going home, don't you feel like going home? My home, it is in the Promised Land and I feel like going home. O, the pure transporting, rapturous scene that rises to my sight! Sweet fields arrayed in living green and rivers of delight. Yes, I feel like going home, yes, I feel like going home. My home it is in the Promised Land and I feel like going home. Filled with great delight, my raptured soul would here no longer stay! Though Jordan's waves around me roll, fearless I'd launch away. I am bound for the Promised Land; I am bound for the Promised Land. Oh, who will come and go with me, I am bound for the Promised Land.

The New Testament Reading

I John 2:3-11

The Minister: The Word of the Lord.

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The People: Thanks be to God!

The Reverend Mark Randle (8:30)

The Reverend Robert Cunningham (11:00)

The Prayer for Sanctification

Unison: Father, we want to know Christ better than we do. We want to love Him more than we have. We want to be the same alone as we are in company and as humble in prosperity as in adversity. Lord, help us, for we are often lukewarm; unbelief mars our confidence; sin makes us forget You. Revive the love of Jesus in the depths of our hearts. Father, too often we forsake prayer in the pride that our efforts will be sufficient. There is no vanity like the vanity of being governed by our own cravings for our own ends. Move upon our disordered hearts. Take away the infirmities of unruly desires, the darkness of unbelief, and fill the vacancies with a living trust in You. Teach us to live by prayer and to know the wisdom and practicality of depending on Your grace, power, and will. In the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

*The Hymn

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

No. 644

*The Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Unison: 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: Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.
Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.

**The People: And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.
For all things come from you, and of your own we give to you.**

*The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

Be Thou My Vision
Caroline Breeden and Micah Miller

The Duet
arr. Fettke

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

The Sermon

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

“On Knowing God and Living Like It”

The Text: *“...By this we may be sure that we are in Him: whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which He walked.”* – I John 2:5b-6

*The Hymn

My Jesus, I Love Thee

No. 648

*The Benediction

The Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in F

Lübeck