

Reflection

“The fact that they persecute us is due to the Word of God: they claim that they are right and that we are wrong. Then it is our duty to pray and to commend our cause to God, for on earth there is no law or judge to vindicate us. Our persecutors are actually in competition not with us, but with God Himself; it is with His kingdom that they are interfering; they are doing the greatest injury not to us, but to God Himself; and it is His wrath and condemnation that they have incurred. When we see all this, we should have pity on them and pray for them to be rescued from their blindness and their terrible doom. No one can do us any harm without doing it first to a far greater lord, namely, to the High Majesty in heaven Himself.” – Martin Luther

Musical Reflection

Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode (sung by musicians)

Who trusts in God, a strong abode
in heav'n and earth possesses;
who looks in love to Christ above,
no fear his heart oppresses.
In you alone, dear Lord, we own
sweet hope and consolation;
our shield from foes, our balm for woes,
our great and sure salvation.

Though Satan's wrath beset our path,
and worldly scorn assail us,
while you are near we will not fear,
your strength shall never fail us:
your rod and staff shall keep us safe,
and guide our steps forever;
nor shades of death, nor hell beneath,
our souls from you shall sever.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Doxology

*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.*

Call to Worship

from Psalm 68

Minister (v. 4): Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him
who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; exult before him!

**People (v. 5): Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in
his holy habitation.**

**All (vv. 34-35): Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and
whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God from his sanctuary;
the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to
his people. Blessed be God!**

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above #4

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Prayer of Confession and Pastoral Prayer

Words of Comfort and Promise

Acts 16:30-33

Then he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family.

RENEWING OUR FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

Questions 69, 70, 74

Q. 69 How does holy baptism signify and seal to you that the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross benefits you?

A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it gave the promise that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and Spirit wash away the impurity of my soul, that is, all my sins.

Q. 70 What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

A. To be washed with Christ's blood means to receive forgiveness of sins from God, through grace, because of Christ's blood, poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross. To be washed with his Spirit means to be renewed by the Holy Spirit and sanctified to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and lead a holy and blameless life.

Q. 74 Should infants, too, be baptized?

A. Yes. Infants as well as adults belong to God's covenant and congregation. Through Christ's blood the redemption from sin and the Holy Spirit, who works faith, are promised to them no less than to adults. Therefore, by baptism, as sign of the covenant, they must be incorporated into the Christian church and distinguished from the children of unbelievers. This was done in the old covenant by circumcision, in place of which baptism was instituted in the new covenant.

Baptism of Covenant Child

Katherine Jane Jefferson
Child of John and Raquel Jefferson

Baptismal Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Baptismal Song

Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds #364

Old Testament Reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Amen!

Jeremiah: 26:1-9

(Pew Bible p.653)

Hymn of Preparation

Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide #402

At this time, children in pre-K through Kindergarten may be dismissed to the nursery classroom on the first floor.

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Dustyn Eudaly, Senior Minister

Acts 14:1-7 — The Anatomy of Persecution
(Pew Bible p. 923)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Musical Reflection

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength
(sung by musicians)

1. God is our refuge and our strength,
our ever-present aid,
and therefore though the earth remove,
we will not be afraid;
though hills amidst the seas be cast,
though foaming waters roar,
yea, though the mighty billows shake
the mountains on the shore.

3. O come, behold what wondrous works
Jehovah's hand has wrought;
come, see what desolation great
he on the earth has brought.
To utmost ends of all the earth
he causes war to cease;
the weapons of the strong destroyed,
he makes abiding peace.

2. The nations raged, the kingdoms moved,
but when his voice was heard,
the troubled earth was stilled to peace
before his mighty word.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side,
our safety to secure;
the God of Jacob is for us
a refuge strong and sure.

4. "Be still and know that I am God,
o'er all exalted high;
the subject nations of the earth
my name shall magnify."
The Lord of Hosts is on our side,
our safety to secure,
the God of Jacob is for us
a refuge strong and sure.

Collection of Offering

Closing Hymn

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

*1. Jesus, I my cross have taken,
all to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition,
all I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own.*

*3. Man may trouble and distress me,
'twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me;
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me
While thy love is left to me;
Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me,
were that joy unmixed with Thee.*

*5. Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine.
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.*

*2. Let the world despise and leave me,
they have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me;
Thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while thou dost smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me,
show Thy face and all is bright*

*4. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service, pain is pleasure,
With thy favor loss is gain
I have called thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl and clouds may gather;
All must work for good to me.*

*6. Haste thee on from grace to glory,
armed by faith, and winged by prayer
Heaven's eternal days before thee,
God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
faith to sight, and prayer to praise.*

Words by Henry Lyte; Music by Bill Moore

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our normal Evening Worship Service will not take place tonight in light of our October Small Groups. See the pink bulletin insert for details and join us!



Acts 14:1-7

The Anatomy of Persecution

1. _____.

2. _____.

3. _____.

4. _____.

a. _____.

b. _____ people's

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c. _____.

5. _____.

WELCOME

HOLY TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our theological standards are the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms, all of which are subordinate to our only ultimate rule of faith and practice, God's Word (the Old and New Testament Scriptures).

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We invite you to join us for refreshments in the courtyard immediately following the morning worship service.

Let us know how we may pray for you. Fill out a prayer request card, found in the pews, and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. The officers of the church will confidentially pray for these requests.

We welcome the participation of children in our worship service. This is their time to hear from God's Word and praise him. Childcare is also available downstairs:

- Age 0-3: childcare available during the entire service (bottom floor)
- Pre-K-K5 Grade: dismissed to the nursery before the sermon

MEETING TIMES

Sundays: 9:15 am.....Sunday School for all ages
 10:30 am.....Morning Worship Service
 6:00 pmEvening Worship and Prayer, Covenant
 Kids class, High School & Middle School studies

Nursery and childcare are provide for all above Sunday activities

Small Groups meet at various times for prayer and fellowship in members' homes. See our website for details, htpctampa.org.

Thursdays @ 5:30 pm. Neighborhood Outreach Dinner. We prepare and serve a meal for those in need from the community. More details on website.

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