

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ON EDISTO ISLAND
LENTEN SERVICE – MARCH 11, 2015

Greeting

Leader: Remember your word to your servant,

People: in which you have made me hope.

Leader: This is my comfort in my distress,

People: that your promise gives me life.

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

People: from him comes my salvation.

Opening Prayer

Let us pray:

Most loving Father,

whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things,

to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast all our care on you who cares for us:

preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties,

that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from me

the light of that love which is immortal,

and which you have manifested to us in your Son Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Hymn # 98

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

God's Word to Us

II Kings 4:38-41

Bread and Broth: Elisha and Potato Soup

Responsive Prayer of Confession and Penitence

Out of the depths, I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark my iniquities,

Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you,

so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel

Form all its iniquities.

(Psalm 130)

(In unison) Have mercy on us, O God, because of your steadfast love and abundant mercy, erase our transgressions. Wash us completely from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our sinfulness, and we see its results in our lives. Create in each of us a clean heart, O God, and give us the joy of your Holy Spirit. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not be far from us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us hearts that are willing to following your Son.

Hear us as we pray silently, that you may draw us close and change us to become like Christ...

(Silence is kept)

Assurance of Pardon

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts;

and I will be their God, and they shall be my people,

for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

You are forgiven.

You are forgiven.

Benediction and Blessing for the Meal