

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 30, A. D. 2012

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest. He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"
Psalm 50:1-5

CHRISTIAN GREETING

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 50:1-5

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Open our eyes, O Lord.

People: That we may see wonderful things in your Law.

Pastor: O Lord, open our lips,

People: And our mouths will declare your praise.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Trinity 295

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN Isaiah 1:2-4, 16-20

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquities and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us pure hearts, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and grant us willing spirits, to sustain us.

◇ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galatians 3:10-14

◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed Bible Songs, iv

◇ "GLORIA PATRI" Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 113, Trinity 826

HYMN "Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat" Trinity 507

PREPARATION OF OUR CHILDREN TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE Micah 1:2 – 2:13
SERMON "The Controversial God"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" Trinity 650

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer

◇ *Doxology* Trinity 731

◇ BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-25

◇ RESPONSE "To God be the Glory" Trinity 55

◇ *Those who are able, please stand*

THIS WEEK AT POTTSVILLE ARP

The Lord's Day	9:45 am 10:45 am	Bible Study Lord's Day Worship
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Men's Bible Study

A FEW THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- If you are our guest today, we are glad you are here. Please take a minute to fill out the **Guest Information Card** in the pew and drop it in the offering plate so we can get to know you better.
- We believe that Christian Worship is a renewal of **covenant vows** between Christians and the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Consequently, our worship contains lots of congregational participation. Your part is in **bold**, but don't worry if you get a little lost. Just keep your bulletin handy throughout the service.
- We are a family of families worshipping together. We are teaching our children to worship as they worship with us. If they cry or squirm, it's OK; God has ordained "praise" from our children and infants. If things get **desperate**, a cry room is available in the rear of the Sanctuary.
- Restrooms are located both in this building and in the Fellowship Hall.

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-Ethan PARKER Guthrie
1988

*"Sharing this with our forefathers that we too are
desiring a better country, that is, the heavenly one."
Hebrews 11:16*

Opportunities for Prayer, September 30, 2012

"As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD by failing to pray for you."
1 Samuel 12:23

For God's Glory

John 12:28

- For greater faithfulness in reading God's Word.
- For repentance in our nation.

For those at home

Matthew 25:34-40

- Mary Davis
- Junior Reasoner
- Ruth Edwards
- Nale Falls
- Ben Rice
- Jewel Rodden
- Lila Viner
- Margaret Wylie

For those who are Grieving

Romans 12:15

For those traveling

Psalms 121:7-8

- The Wylies returning from Colorado.
- Pastor Wheeler and Elijah as they travel to Brighton, TN for Presbytery.

For those who need to know Christ

John 17:20-21

- ...in your family.
- ...in your office or on the job.
- ...among your friends
- ...at school

For those in need

Philippians 4:19; James 1:27

For those who are sick

Exodus 15:26

- Betty Brown preparing for knee surgery, Oct. 9.
- Hank Burton, cancer.
- David Donahue, son of Rev. Joe Donahue, undergoing tests.
- Jane Kitt, dialysis.
- Marium Oates at home
- Barbara Peters.
- Randall Standrige, Betty Brown's son, suffering with arthritis.
- Bill Wheeler.

For Thanksgiving

Hebrews 13:15.

For those with Spiritual needs

Isaiah 61:1-3.

- Our Nation!
- Our leaders (1 Tim. 2:1)
- The upcoming national elections.
- The Mississippi Valley Presbytery as it meets at Brighton, TN.
- Dr. Steve Suits, Moderator of General Synod and Mr. Larry Littlejohn, Moderator of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery.
- Our World Witness missionaries. Particularly the Witte Family in language school in Costa Rica and our work at the Saiwahl Hospital in Pakistan.
- The other pastors in our community: Jim Huffman, Sam Austin, Millie Bryant, Paul Geurian and Steve Schlinker.

Write!

Visit!

Pray!

Watch!

Men's Bible Study

Our men will meet this **Wednesday night at Starbucks at 8:00pm** to discuss how God's Word addresses all the issues that we face as men.



Bring your questions and bring a friend.

Happy Birthday!

- Joshua Wheeler 09/20
- Elijah Wheeler 10/12
- Megan Wylie 10/28

Don't Forget to Wish Them a Happy Birthday!!!

Guest Preachers

Rev. Steve Irby will fill the pulpit for Pastor Wheeler on October 14, 2012 and on October 21, 2012, **Mr. Taylor Cain** will be preaching. Please pray for these men as they prepare to bring God's Word to you and also pray for the Wheelers as they travel to South Carolina for meetings and on to Georgia to visit family.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Day, **October 7, 2012** we will observe the Lord's Supper. After worship we will share in a "pot-providence"



fellowship meal. No doubt we will take time to prepare carefully for the fellowship meal, selecting our favorite dishes, purchasing and assembling the ingredients and cooking it to perfection. But will we be prepared to come to the Lord's Table? Let me encourage you to consider what the Larger Catechism tells us about our preparations to feast at our Lord's Table?

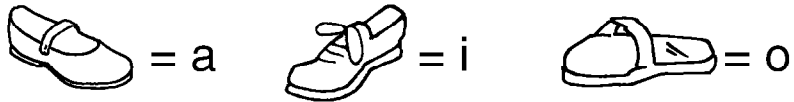
Q. 171. How are they that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to prepare themselves before they come unto it?

A. They that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper are, before they come, to prepare themselves thereunto, by examining themselves of their being in Christ, of their sins and wants; of the truth and measure of their knowledge, faith, repentance; love of God and the brethren, charity to all men, forgiving those that have done them wrong; of their desires after Christ, and of their new obedience; and by renewing the exercise of these graces, by serious meditation, and fervent prayer.

SERMON NOTES

God wanted them to
act justly and to love mercy.

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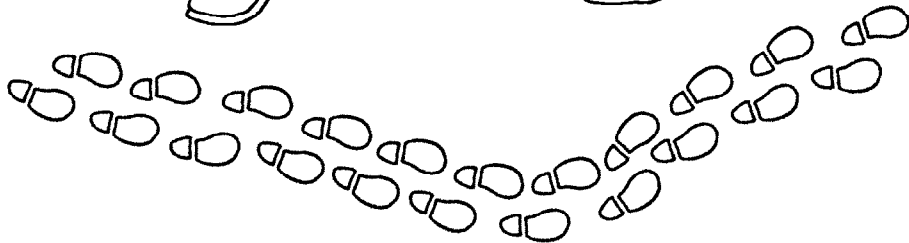
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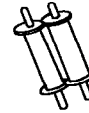
Ages 3-6

September 30, 2012 • Micah 6:1-8

The Lord's Case Against Israel

The people of Israel had disobeyed God.
Micah spoke to them about their sins.

Find and **circle** the hidden objects.



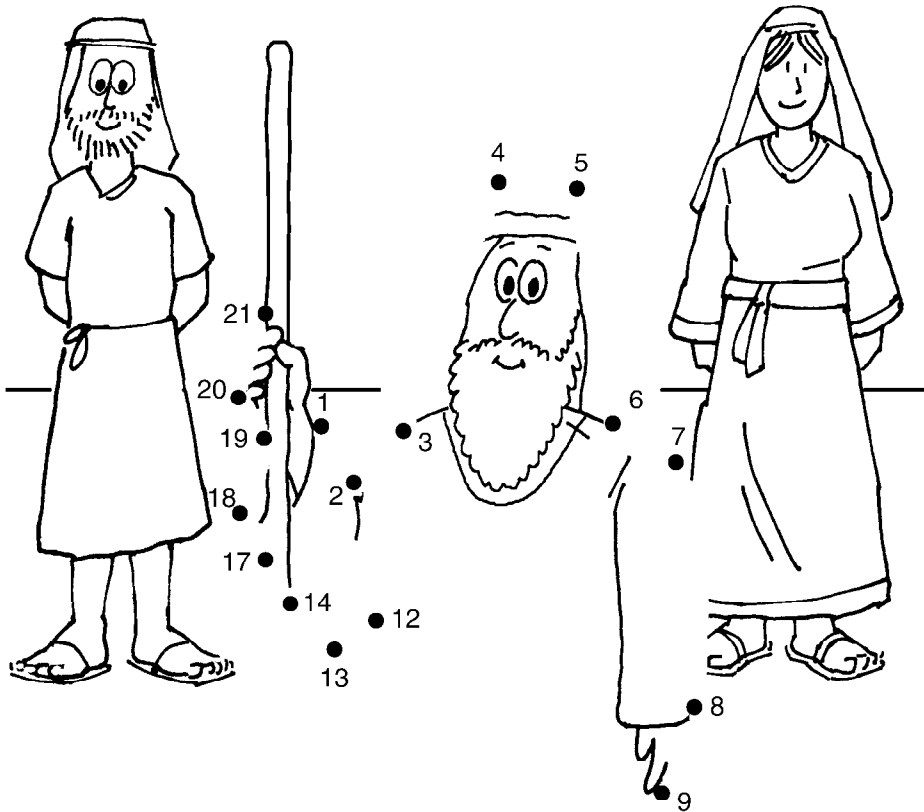
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"growing up and grafting in"

God had led Israel out of Egypt. He had sent Moses, Aaron and Miriam to lead them.

Connect the dots.

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Micah told them to recall God's help.

Match the pictures below.

