

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

APRIL 27TH A. D. 2014

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed! For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Psalm 84:1-4, 8-12

CHRISTIAN GREETING

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 84:1-4, 8-12

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.

Pastor: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts

People: Be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer

Pastor: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN

“O God Our Help in Ages Past”

Trinity 30

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 32:1-5

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

Micah 7:18-20

◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

Bible Songs

◇ “GLORIA PATRI”

Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 87, Trinity 815

HYMN

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Trinity 38

SERMON

“Preparing for Marriage”

SCRIPTURE

Zechariah 12:1-9

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Trinity 92

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.

CONTACT US

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"Sharing this with our forefathers... that we too, are desiring a better country; that is, the heavenly one."