

# POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> A. D. 2014

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you. All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man. He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip. For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried. If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

Psalm 66:1-10, 18-20

CHRISTIAN GREETING

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 66:1-10, 18-20

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

*Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!*

**People: Serve the LORD with gladness!**

*Pastor: Come into His presence with singing! Know that the LORD, He is God!*

**People: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

*Pastor: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name!*

**People: For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN "Almighty God, Your Word is Cast" Trinity 383

### ◇ CONFESSION OF SIN

Isaiah 55:6-7

*Our gracious God and merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against you this day and every day, in thought, word, and deed. We were born in sin and our sin is ever before us. If you kept a record of our sins, who could stand, but with you there is mercy and forgiveness through Christ. Forgive our many sins as a church, as families, and as individuals. Forgive our public sins and those that are known only to you.*

*Forgive us for our failure to do what you have commanded and our failure to restrain what you have forbidden. Grant us true repentance that moves our lips, our hearts, and our hands to godly sorrow and holy action. By your Spirit, change our hearts from stone to flesh and make us into a holy people, pleasing in your sight and useful in your hand.*

### ◇ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Luke 1:78-79, John 6:37, 40

◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism 1, 87-90 Insert

◇ "GLORIA PATRI" Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 62, Trinity 806

HYMN "Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Trinity 599

SERMON "Everbearing Fruit"  
SCRIPTURE Zechariah 13:3-6

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN "May the Mind of Christ My Saviour" Trinity 644

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	Bible Study
	10:45 am	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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ARTIST'S CONCEPT PEN AND INK  
ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT PISGAH  
POTTSVILLE, ARKANSAS C. 1853

-Ethan PARKER Gettysburg  
1988

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

## Heidelberg Catechism

1. Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

**A. That I am not my own,[1] but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death,[2] to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.[3] He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.[5] He also preserves me in such a way[6] that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head;[7] indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.[8] Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life[9] and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.[10]**

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87. Q. Can those be saved who do not turn to God from their ungrateful and impenitent walk of life?

**A. By no means. Scripture says that no unchaste person, idolater, adulterer, thief, greedy person, drunkard, slanderer, robber, or the like shall inherit the kingdom of God.[1]**

[1] I Cor. 6:9, 10; Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 5:5, 6; I John 3:14.

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