

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

MAY 25TH A. D. 2014

Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob! Raise a song; sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp. Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our feast day. "I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket. In distress you called, and I delivered you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah." Hear, O my people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to me! There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god. I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

Psalm 81:1-3,6-10

CHRISTIAN GREETING

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 81:1-3, 6-10

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

People: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Pastor: Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

People: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

Pastor: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

People: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ PSALM "A Call to Universal Praise" Bible Songs 237

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN Psalm 81:11-16

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, which 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

Isaiah 53:2-13

◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

Bible Songs, iv

◇ "GLORIA PATRI"

Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 5, Trinity 786

HYMN

"How Sweet and Awesome is the Place"

Trinity 469

SERMON

"The Kindness of God"

SCRIPTURE

Zechariah 13:7-9

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN

"Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me

Trinity 601

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer

◇ Doxology

Trinity 731

READING OF THE LAW OF GOD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

PSALM 133

"Christian Unity"

Bible Songs 280

◇ BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-25

◇ RESPONSE

"To God be the Glory"

Trinity 55

◇ Those who are able, please stand

THIS WEEK AT POTTSVILLE ARP

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| The Lord's Day | 9:45 am | Bible Study |
| | 10:45 am | Lord's Day Worship |
| | 12:15 pm | Fellowship Meal |

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| Wednesday | 8:00 pm | Men's Bible Study |
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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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"Sharing this with our forefathers... that we too, are desiring a better country; that is, the heavenly one."

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