

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

APRIL 5TH, A. D. 2015

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.... Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades." Revelation 1:4-8, 18

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS
PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP Revelation 1:4-8, 18

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Pastor: We worship You O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; You are not the God of the dead but of the living.

People: Hallelujah, Christ is Risen.

Pastor: He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

People: Hallelujah, He is Risen.

Pastor: By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.

People: Hallelujah, He is Risen.

Pastor: God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus.

People: Hallelujah, He is Risen.

Pastor: Hallelujah, Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" Trinity 277

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN 1 John 1:9, 2:1, John 10:7-11, 17-18
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 1 Corinthians 15:12-26

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

◇ "GLORIA PATRI" **Trinity 735**

RESPONSIVE READING **Psalm 2, Trinity 785**

HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" **Trinity 295**

SERMON "A Fertile, not a Futile Faith"
SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-35

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" **Trinity 297**

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Prayer
◇ **Doxology** **Trinity 731**

◇ BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-25

◇ RESPONSE "To God Be the Glory" **Trinity 55, vi**

◇ Those who are able, please stand

☆ Music by Julie Evans, Emma & Helena Wheeler, and Maya Wylie

