

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

MAY 3RD, A. D. 2015

I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies... In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears. This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.

Psalm 18:1-3, 6, 30 ESV

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 18:1-3, 6, 30

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Psalm 18:31-36, 46 ESV

Pastor: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?— the God who equipped me with strength and made my way blameless.

People: He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.

Pastor: He trains my hands for war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.

People: You have given me the shield of your salvation, and your right hand supported me, and your gentleness made me great.

Pastor: You gave a wide place for my steps under me, and my feet did not slip.

People: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN

“God Shall Guard”

Bible Songs 263

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN

Luke 12:8-12

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

John 10:27-30

◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

Bible Songs, iv

◇ “GLORIA PATRI”

Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 141, Trinity 836

HYMN

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Trinity 598

SERMON

“Persecution Primer”

SCRIPTURE

Acts 4:1-22

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN

“Have Thine Own Way”

Trinity 688

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer

◇ Doxology

Trinity 731

◇ BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-25

◇ RESPONSE

“To God Be the Glory”

Trinity 55, v1

◇ Those who are able, please stand

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

