

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

AUGUST 9, A. D. 2015

“But now hear, O Jacob my servant, Israel whom I have chosen! Thus says the LORD who made you, who formed you from the womb and will help you: Fear not, O Jacob my servant, Jeshurun whom I have chosen. For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants. They shall spring up among the grass like willows by flowing streams. This one will say, ‘I am the LORD's,’ another will call on the name of Jacob, and another will write on his hand, ‘The LORD's,’ and name himself by the name of Israel.” Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: “I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any.”
(Isaiah 44:1-8 ESV)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP Isaiah 44:1-8

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL Psalm 10:12-18

Pastor: Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted.

People: Why does the wicked renounce God and say in his heart, “You will not call to account”?

Pastor: But you do see, for you note mischief and vexation, that you may take it into your hands; to you the helpless commits himself; you have been the helper of the fatherless.

People: Break the arm of the wicked and evildoer; call his wickedness to account till you find none.

Pastor: The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land. O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted;

People: You will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN **“Come Christians, Join and Sing”** Trinity 302

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN Isaiah 45:22-25

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 Isaiah 46:12-13, Romans 10:6-10

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

◇ “GLORIA PATRI” Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 115, Trinity 827

HYMN **“My Jesus I Love Thee”** Trinity 648

SERMON “Touring the Idol Factory”
SCRIPTURE Acts 7:1-53

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN **“Onward, Christian Soldiers!”** Trinity 572

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 Emma and Helena Wheeler

THIS WEEK AT POTTSVILLE ARP

The Lord's Day	9:45 am	Bible Study
	10:45 am	Lord's Day Worship
	1:30 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Men's Group

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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."