

# POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>, A. D. 2016

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Psalm 103:1-13 ESV

### SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRELUDE & PREPARATION

### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:1-13

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Psalm 126

*Pastor:* When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**People:** *Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;*

*Pastor:* Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

**People:** *The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.*

*Pastor:* Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!

**People:** *Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!*

*Pastor:* He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### ◇ HYMN

**"What Wondrous Love is This"**

Trinity 261

#### ◇ CONFESSION OF SIN

Isaiah 53:3-6, Romans 2:4

**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

Acts 13:38-39, Colossians 1:10-14

#### ◇ CONFESSION OF FAITH

**Apostle's Creed**

**Bible Songs, p. iv.**

#### ◇ "GLORIA PATRI"

**Trinity 735**

#### RESPONSIVE READING

**Psalm 90, Trinity 816**

#### HYMN

**"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"**

**Trinity 128**

#### SCRIPTURE

Acts 16:6-10

#### SERMON

"Stymied"

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

#### ◇ HYMN

**"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"**

**Trinity 455**

#### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer

◇ **Doxology**

**Trinity 731**

#### ◇ BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-25

#### ◇ RESPONSE "Now Blessed Be the Living God"

**Bible Songs 155**

◇ Those who are able, please stand

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

## THIS WEEK AT POTTSVILLE ARP

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

### 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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ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT POTTSVILLE, ARKANSAS C. 1853  
-ELLEN PARKER GITHVIDGE 1988

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

Hebrews 11:16