

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

AUGUST 14TH, A. D. 2016

Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away. Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

Psalm 148

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Psalm 148

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Psalm 18:1-6

Pastor: O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me; many are saying of my soul, "There is no salvation for him in God."

People: But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head. I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill.

Pastor: I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me. I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.

People: Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked.

Pastor: Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN "May the Mind of Christ My Saviour" Trinity 644

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN Psalm 32:1-5

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 3:14-18

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

◇ "GLORIA PATRI" **Trinity 735**

RESPONSIVE READING **Psalm 53, Trinity 805**

HYMN "All for Jesus" **Trinity 565**

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON Acts 18:1-17, "Countering Discouragement"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" **Trinity 92**

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

