

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE

AUGUST 28TH, A. D. 2016

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear."

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe.

Hebrews 12:18-24, 28

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 12:18-24, 28

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

Psalm 34:1-9

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

People: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Pastor: Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

People: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

Pastor: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

People: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Pastor: Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

◇ HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Trinity 598

◇ CONFESSION OF SIN Psalm 15:1-5, Acts 3:19-20

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 John 1:9

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

◇ "GLORIA PATRI" Trinity 735

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 16, Trinity 788

HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Trinity 295

SCRIPTURE Acts 18:24-28

SERMON "The Way of God More Fully"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

◇ HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" Trinity 101

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer

◇ Doxology

Trinity 731

THE LORD'S SUPPER

◇ PSALM 133 "Christian Unity" Bible Songs 280

◇ BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-25

◇ RESPONSE "Now Blessed Be the Living God" Bible Songs 155

◇ Those who are able, please stand

