

LORD's Day Service -- May 3, 2020
Preparation for Worship: *Psalm 96:7-9*

God Calls us into His presence; we respond with praise.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed!**

Minister: Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen!**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Hymn: Psalter 96A, "O sing a new song to the LORD", stanzas 1-4 (pause/ see below)

God Cleanses us; we gladly confess of our sins to Him.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Jeremiah 2:9-13

Let us kneel before the Lord our God. (*prayer is from Ps 130*)

Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared...O Israel, hope in the LORD; for with the LORD there is mercy, and with Him is abundant redemption. And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities. We confide in Your grace and mercy through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior. (*Silent prayer*) Amen!

Assurance of Pardon: Micah 7:18-19

Beloved, your sins are forgiven through Christ.

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so!

Truly it is our greatest joy to give thanks to You at all times and in every situation, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God; Only You can cleanse us and fill us with joy. Therefore, with all saints on earth and the heavenly host, we praise Your holy name and join their glorious song, singing:

Sanctus: **Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God of Hosts.**

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory!

**Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of
The Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!**

Hymn: Psalter 135C, "Your name, LORD endures forever" (pause & see below)

Prayer: **Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

God Consecrates by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him.

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 3:1-7

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson: Colossians 1:13-17; 3:5-6

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:3-12

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon: "Nebuchadnezzar's Image of Gold"

Hymn: Psalter 1B, "How blessed the man who does not walk" (pause/ see below)

Dedication of tithes & offerings. (You may mail your tithes to Deacon Hummel)

Prayers of the Church

God communes with us; we eat with joy at His Table.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We confess our faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

God commissions & blesses us; we march out to serve Him

The Lord's Commission of us: 1 John 5:20-21

We receive God's blessing, His good Word to us: Jude 24-25

We bless the Lord, lifting our hands and voices to Him: Doxology

Sermon: "Nebuchadnezzar's Image of Gold"

Text: Daniel 3:1-7

1 He who stands & he who falls down

2 True & false worship

Psalm 96A “O sing a new song to the LORD” tune: All hail the power of Jesus’ name

1. O sing a new song to the LORD; All earth sing to the LORD.
Sing to the LORD, and bless His name; “He saves!” each day proclaim.
His glory to all nations show; His deeds let peoples know.
 2. The LORD is great, how great His praise! Above all gods He’s feared.
For heathen gods are idols vain; The LORD the heavens made.
Before Him honor, majesty, And strength and splendor be!
 3. O families of earth, ascribe All glory to the LORD.
All strength ascribe unto the Lord; The glory of His name
Give to the LORD, to His courts come, and bring an offering.
 4. In beautiful and holy robes Bring worship to the LORD.
All earth, before Him stand in awe; Proclaim, “The LORD is King!”
Controlled by Him, the world stands firm; His judgments justice bring. “YES!”
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Psalter 135C, “Your name, LORD endures forever”

(hear the tune:

https://psalter.org/sing/psalter?psalter_in=singing&psalm_in=135C

- 1 Your name, LORD, endures forever; Your fame LORD, each age has known;
For the LORD acquits His people, Has compassion His own.
 - 2 Heathen idols, gold and silver, Work of human artistry:
Having mouths, they speak of nothing; Having eyes, they do not see;
 - 3 Having ears, they never hearken; They do not breathe out or in.
Those who make them will be like them, All whose trust in them has been.
 - 4 Bless the LORD, O house of Isr’el! House of Aaron, bless the LORD!
Bless the LORD, O house of Levi! All who fear Him, bless the LORD!
 - 5 Blessings to the LORD you worship! Blessed from Zion be the LORD,
He whose dwelling is in Salem! Hallelujah! Praise the LORD! “YES!”
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Psalm 1B "How blessed the man who does not walk"

(hear the tune: https://psalter.org/sing/psalter?psalter_in=singing&psalm_in=1B

or sing to tune: "Eternal Father strong to save"

1 How blessed the man who does not walk Where wicked men would guide his feet,
Nor stand in paths with sinful men, nor sits upon the scorners' seat.
Jehovah's law is his delight, his meditation day and night.

2 He will be like a growing tree Implanted by the water side,
Which in its season bears its fruit, And has a leaf which does not fade.
In all that may his hands employ He shall prosper-i-ty enjoy.

3 Not so the wicked: they are all Like chaff the wind will drive away.
They shall not in the judgment stand, Nor sinners with the righteous stay.
The LORD the way of just men knows; The wicked to destruction goes. "YES!"