LORD's Day Service -- May 17, 2020 Preparation for Worship: *Isaiah* 43:1-2

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

*Call to Worship: Isaiah 43:1-7

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: Trinity 219, "Blessing and honor and glory and power" (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. Isaiah 43:22,23b,24b

Let us kneel before the Lord our God.

God of love, it is Your will that we love You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and our neighbor as ourselves; but we confess that our affections turn away from You: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fulness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by Your sacred Word. Holy Spirit, make Your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of the beloved Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to Your glory. Amen! (*Silent prayer*)

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 43:11,25-26a

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: Trinity 275, "Zion stands by hills surrounded" (pause, see below)

Prayer: O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards You, that we, loving You in all things and above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

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

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 3:1-30 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson: Revelation 14:6-14 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson: Luke 4:28-37 The Gospel of our Lord Jesus. Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon: "Nebuchadnezzar's Fury & the Lord of Fire"

Hymn insert: Psalm 27 "The Lord is my light and salvation" (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: Isaiah 43:1-2, 10 We receive God's blessing, His good Word to us: Numbers 6:24-26 We bless the Lord, lifting our hands and voices to Him: Doxology "Nebuchadnezzar's Fury & the Lord of Fire" Daniel 3:19-30

1. Death: Nebuchadnezzar's *fury; the exceeding hot, killing flame of the fire;* & the Lord of the fire, of ______ and _____ (3:19-23; Re 2:11; 14:10-11)

2. Burial: Nebuchadnezzar's *astonishment* (astonied); *four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire*; & the *Son of God*, of _____ and _____ (3:24-25; Isa 43:2)

3. Resurrection: Nebuchadnezzar *changed*; his *fire had no power* on Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego; & the God of deliverance, of ______ & _____ (3:26-30).



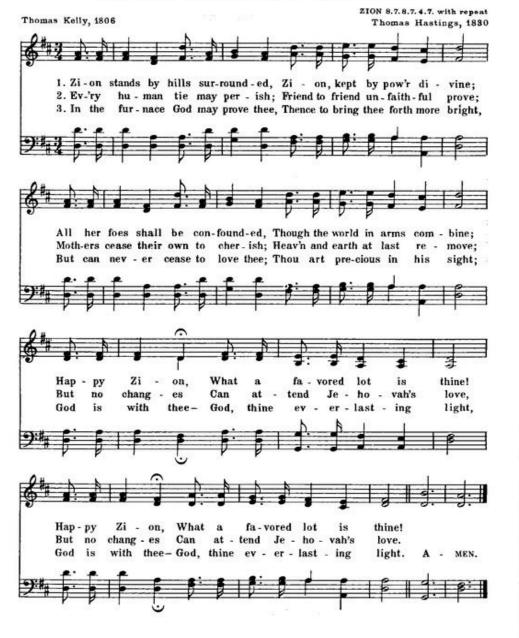
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As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even for ever. Psalm 125:2 275



Psalm 27 chorus, "The Lord is my light and salvation"

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1

The Lord is my light and salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?

2

One thing have I desired of the Lord, That will I seek; That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord, And to inquire in His temple.

3

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice; Have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

When thou saidst, seek ye My face; My heart said unto Thee, Thy face, O Lord, will I seek.

4

Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen thine heart; Wait, I say on the Lord. Wait, I say on the Lord.