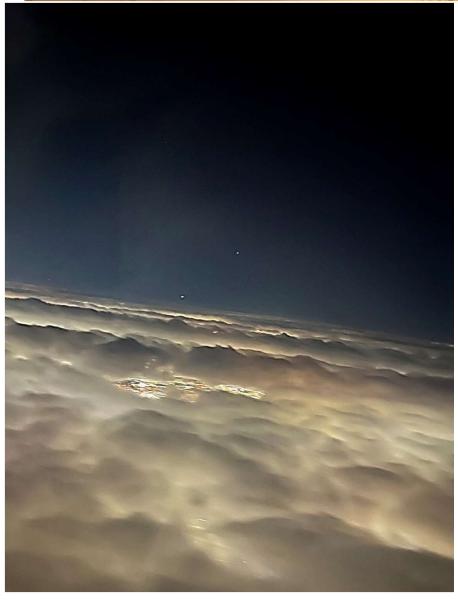
Psummer Psalms



Yahweh said to my Lord, the Messiah: "Sit with me as enthroned ruler while I subdue your every enemy. They will bow low before you as I make them a footstool for your feet."

Psalm 110:1

Thursday, August 24 & Sunday, August 27 2023

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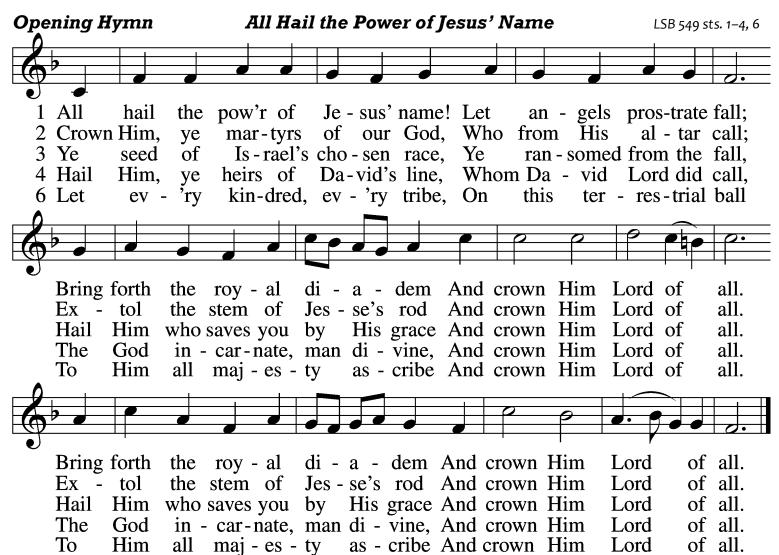
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PSALMS (BOOKS FOUR AND FIVE)

Worship in a traditional order drawing from the Psalms, Books Four (90-106) and Five (107-150).



Invocation (based on Psalms 107:31-32a,35)

- P: Let us give thanks to the LORD for His loyal love, and for the amazing things He has done for people.
- C: Let us exalt Him here in the assembly of the people.
- P: This is what He has done for you, His people:

He turned a desert into a pool of water, and a dry land into springs of water.

He has washed you clean in the water of your baptism:

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Let us exalt Him here in the assembly of the people. Amen.

Psalm of Praise (Based on Psalm 107:35) See, the Streams of Living Waters LSB 648 st. 2



Confession of Sins (based on Psalm 90:1-3a,7-9,12-14)

P: O Lord, You have been our protector through all generations.

Even before the mountains came into existence, or You brought the world into being,

- C: You were the eternal God.
- P: You make humans return to the dust.

Yes, we are consumed by Your anger;

- C: we are terrified by Your wrath.
- P: You are aware of our sins;
- C: You even know about our hidden sins.
- P: Yes, throughout all our days we experience Your raging fury;

the years of our lives pass quickly, like a sigh.

So teach us to consider our mortality,

- C: so that we might live wisely, seeking forgiveness through Your Son.
- P: Turn back toward us, O LORD,
- C: in grace because of the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- P: How long must this suffering last? Have mercy on Your servants.
- C: Satisfy us in the morning with Your loyal love.

Then we will shout for joy and be content all our days.

- P: We pause in the presence of the Lord
- C: Remembering our sins and our need for the Lord's forgiveness.

(silent meditation)

Absolution (Declaration of Forgiveness) (based on Psalms 111:1-4,9; 116:16-18)

P: Give thanks to the LORD with your whole heart,

here in the assembly of the congregation.

The LORD's deeds are great, eagerly awaited by all who desire them.

His work is majestic and glorious,

and His faithfulness endures forever.

He does amazing things that will be remembered;

the LORD is merciful and compassionate.

He delivered you, His people, through the work of His Son, Jesus Christ.

who keeps His covenant forever on your behalf.

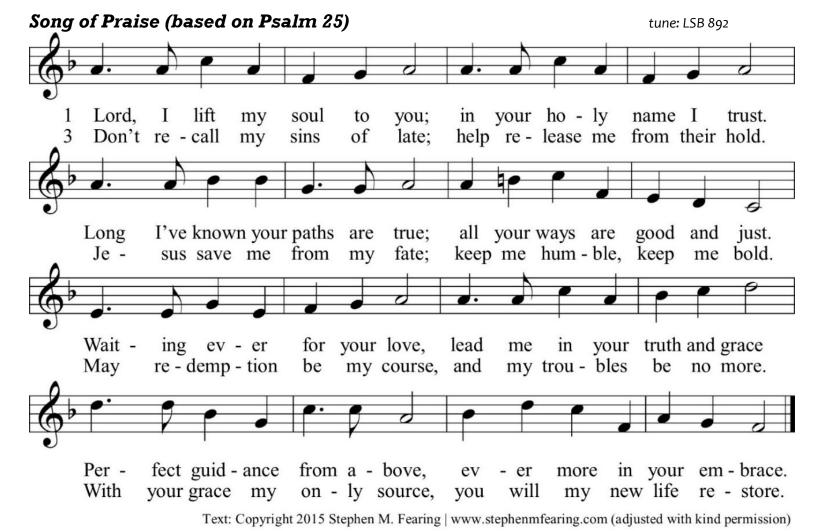
Therefore, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Yes, LORD! We are indeed Your servants;

You saved us from death.

We will present a thank offering to You, and call on the name of the LORD. We will fulfill our vows to the LORD before all His people, trusting always in the saving work of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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This Week's Psalm Reading

Psalm 110 (Passion Translation)

Psalmist: ¹Yahweh said to my Lord, the Messiah:

LORD: "Sit with me as enthroned ruler

while I subdue your every enemy. They will bow low before you

as I make them a footstool for your feet."

Psalmist: ² Messiah, I know God himself will establish your kingdom

as you reign in Zion-glory. For he says to you,

LORD: "Rule in the midst of your enemies!"

Psalmist: ³ Your people will be your love offerings,

like living sacrifices spilled out before you!

In the day of your mighty power you will be exalted, and in the brightness of your holy ones you will shine as an army arising from the womb of the dawn,

anointed with the dew of your youth!

⁴ Yahweh has taken a solemn oath

and will never back away from it, saying,

LORD: "You are a priest for eternity, my King of righteousness!"

Psalmist: 5 The Lord stands in full authority

to shatter to pieces the kings who stand against you

on the day he displays his terrible wrath.

⁶ He will judge every rebellious nation, filling their battlefield with corpses,

and will shatter the strongholds of ruling powers.

⁷ Yet he himself will drink from his inheritance

as from a flowing brook;

refreshed by love he will stand victorious!

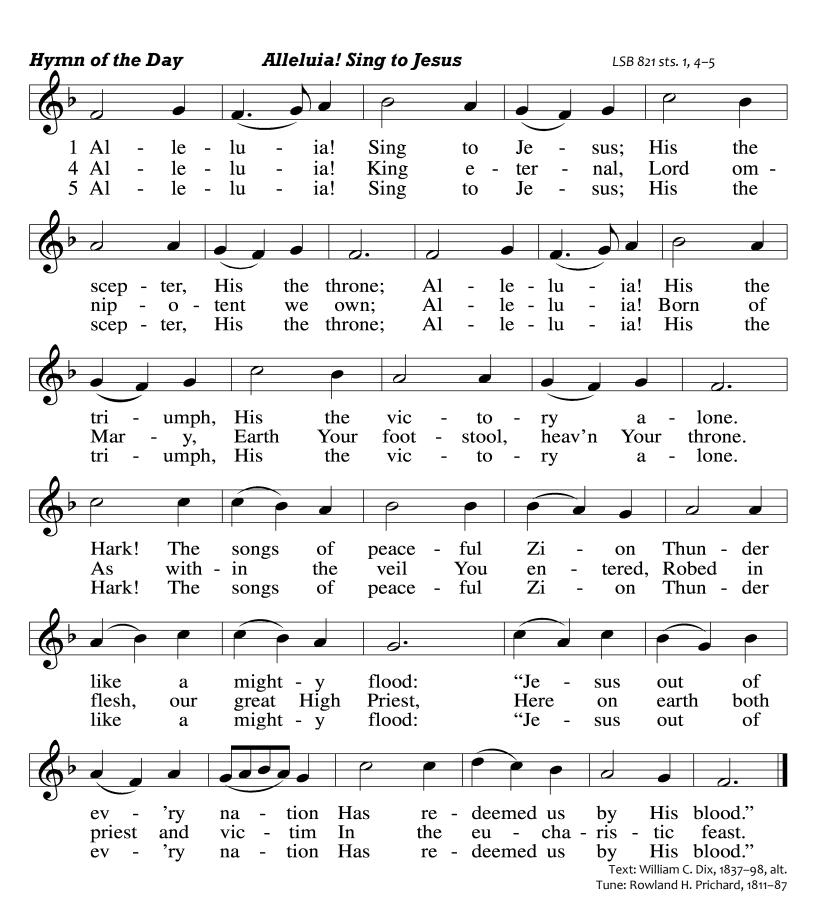
LORD: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Collect (Psalm Prayer of the Day)

P: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, divine Son and eternal priest, inspire us with the confidence of your final conquest of evil, and grant that daily on our way we may drink of the brook of your eternal life and so find courage against all adversities; for your mercy's sake.

C: Amen.



Sermon

Confession of Faith (Based on Psalm 145:1-5,7-9,13-17,19,21) (spoken in unison)

We will extol You, our God, O King.

We will praise Your name continually.

Every day we will praise You.

We will praise Your name continually.

The LORD is great and certainly worthy of praise.

No one can fathom his greatness:

His Creation of All, His Redemption of All,

His Spirit-led transformation of All who believe.

One generation will praise Your deeds to another,

and tell about Your mighty acts.

We will focus on Your honor and majestic splendor and amazing deeds.

We will talk about the fame of Your great kindness, and sing about Your justice.

The LORD is merciful and compassionate;

He is patient and demonstrates great loyal love.

The LORD is good to all, and has compassion on all He has made.

Your kingdom is an eternal kingdom,

and Your dominion endures through all generations.

The LORD supports all who fall, and lifts up all who are weighed down by sin.

Everything looks to You in anticipation,

and You provide them with what they need.

You open Your hand, and fill every living thing with the food it desires.

The LORD is just in all His actions, and exhibits love in all He does.

He satisfies the desire of his loyal followers;

He hears their cry for help and delivers them.

Our mouths will praise the LORD.

Let all who live praise His holy name forever. Amen.

Offering & Prayer Requests

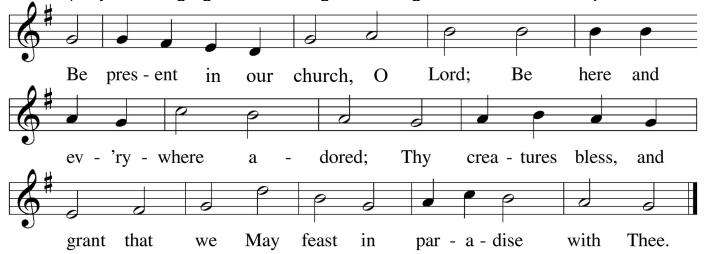
In addition to the prayer requests already received, Pastor will pause here to see if there are additional requests. Prayers can be thanksgivings, joy, requests for yourself, or requests for others.



Offertory (Based on Psalm 145) Be Present in Our Church, O Lord

LSB 775, alt.

(we join in singing as the offerings are brought forward to the altar)



Prayers of the Church (Based on Psalm 103:1-5a,6,8,13-14,17a,19,22)

P: Praise the LORD, O my soul.

With all that is within you, praise His holy name.

- C: Praise the LORD, O my soul.
- P: Do not forget all His kind deeds.

 He is the one who forgives all your sins,
- C: who heals all our diseases,
- P: who delivers your life from the Pit,
- C: who crowns us with His loyal love and compassion,
- P: who satisfies your life with good things,
 - (... Pastor offers thanksgivings. . .)

As the psalm declares: The LORD does what is fair, and executes justice for all the oppressed.

- C: The LORD is compassionate and merciful;
- P: He is patient and demonstrates great loyal love.
 - (... Pastor prays for the world and the nation. . .)

As the psalm declares: As a father has compassion on his children,

- C: so the LORD has compassion on His faithful followers.
- P: For He knows what we are made of; He realizes we are made of clay.
- C: But the Lord continually shows loyal love to His faithful followers,
- P: (... Pastor prays for specific needs. . .)

As the psalm declares: The Lord has established His throne in heaven;

- C: His kingdom extends over everything.
- P: All of His Creation, praise the Lord;
- C: in all the regions of His kingdom, may His praise be heard. Praise the Lord, O my soul. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction (Blessing) (based on Psalm 91:1-4,15a,16b)

P: As for you, who live in the shelter of the Most High,

and reside in the protective shadow of the One-Above-All-Things—

I say this about the LORD, our God in whom we trust—

He is your shelter and your stronghold,

He will certainly rescue you from the snare of the hunter

and from the destructive plague of eternal death.

He will shelter you with His wings;

you will find safety under His wings.

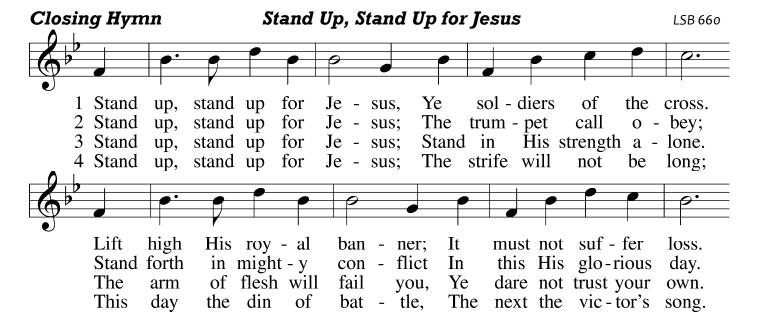
His faithfulness is like a shield or a protective wall.

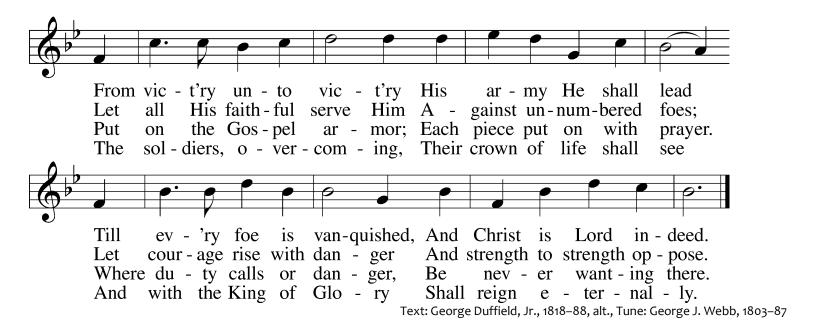
C: When we call out to Him, He will answer us.

P: He will let you see His salvation

in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.





Announcements

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

In-Person Worship (In Sanctuary) - 6:30PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27
In-Person Worship (In Sanctuary) – 9AM

Thursday, August 31
In-Person Worship (In Sanctuary w/Communion) — 6:30PM
Sunday, September 3

In-Person Worship (In Sanctuary w/Communion) - 9AM

AFTER SEPTEMBER 3RD THE SUMMER SCHEDULE IS OVER AND WE WILL RETURN TO ONLY SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE GYM AT 9ÅM.

CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SCHEDULE. USHERS, READERS, AND VARIOUS OTHER VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP AND COMMUNION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR ONE OF THOSE ROLES, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT OFFICE@BETHELGURNEE.ORG.



Bethel Rally Day is September 10th

Summer is quickly coming to an end, and that means the start of the Christian Education year is upon us. We look forward to welcoming all children back to Sunday school on **September 10th at 10:30am**. Please use the link below to register your children for Sunday school. This helps us tremendously as our teachers begin to plan lessons. We are excited to be able to meet again each week, catch up on summer happenings, and learn about God's love.

