

THE LORD'S DAY

May 26, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm* 126:1-3

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 12** - *Exalt the Lord His Praise Proclaim*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

O Lord our God in heaven, we confess that we stand before Your throne unworthy in ourselves. You are both our Creator and our Savior, great in power and goodness beyond our imagining. Yet we, in our weakness, have failed in the tasks You have given to us; failed to be faithful unto our calling. In thought, word, and deed, by action and inaction, we have sinned against our neighbor and against You, O God. So we plead Your forgiveness. Let us see and know the victory and the worthiness of Christ as our only hope in life and death. Lead us in paths of righteousness for His name's sake to the praise and glory of God forever. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Psalm* 65:1-4

GLORIA PATRI* - **Trinity 735

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Heidelberg Catechism* Q. 55-56

Q. 55. What dost thou understand by "the communion of saints?"

A. First, that all and every one who believes, being members of Christ, are in common partakers of him, and of all his riches and gifts; secondly, that every one must know it to be his duty, readily and cheerfully to employ his gifts for the advantage and salvation of other members.

Q. 56. What believest thou concerning "the forgiveness of sins?"

A. That God, for the sake of Christ's satisfaction, will no more remember my sins, neither my corrupt nature, against which I have to struggle all my life long, but will graciously impute to me the righteousness of Christ, that I may never be condemned before the tribunal of God.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Ezekiel* 43:1-12 (**Insert**)

HYMN: Bible Songs 102/Insert (Alt. Tune) - *The Church's Joy in God* (Psa. 48)

(Children ages 0-4 may go to the nursery at this time; they will be returned to parents at the conclusion of the sermon.)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN: **Trinity 539** - *Jerusalem the Golden*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Revelation 21:9-21*

SERMON: "The Beauty of the Bride"

*HYMN: **Insert** - *All Glory Be to Christ* (Stanzas 1-2)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (**Bread** is gluten free; **Wine** is on the outer ring)

*HYMN: **Insert** - *All Glory Be to Christ* (Stanza 3)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** - **Trinity 731**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit, keep our hearts and minds within his love. And to him be praise for his glorious reign from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n, We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ eternal, the King of Kings.

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, if able*

*If you are visiting with us, please complete a **Visitor's Card** and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!*

If you need **prayer**, an **elder** is available following the service by the door to the anteroom.

Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim

1. Ex - alt the Lord, his praise pro - claim; all ye his ser - vants,
2. I know the Lord is high in state, a - bove all gods our
3. Ex - alt the Lord, his praise pro - claim; all ye his ser - vants,

praise his name, who in the Lord's house ev - er stand and hum - bly
Lord is great; the Lord per - forms what he de - crees, in heav'n and
praise his name, who in the Lord's house ev - er stand and hum - bly

serve at his com - mand. The Lord is good, his praise pro - claim; since
earth, in depths and seas. He makes the va - pors to as - cend in
serve at his com - mand. For - ev - er praise and bless his name, and

it is pleas - ant, praise his name; his peo - ple for his
clouds from earth's re - mot - est end; the light - nings flash at
in the church his praise pro - claim; in Zi - on is his

own he takes and his pe - cu - liar trea - sure makes.
his com - mand; he holds the tem - pest in his hand.
dwell - ing place; praise ye the Lord, show forth his grace.

The musical score consists of seven systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The score includes lyrics for three different parts and a concluding line. There are fermatas above the first and sixth systems and a final fermata above the seventh system.

EZEKIEL 43:1–12 (ESV)

Then he led me to the gate, the gate facing east. And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east.

And the sound of his coming was like the sound of many waters, and the earth shone with his glory.

And the vision I saw was just like the vision that I had seen when he came to destroy the city, and just like the vision that I had seen by the Chebar canal.

And I fell on my face. As the glory of the LORD entered the temple by the gate facing east, the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court;

and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple. While the man was standing beside me, I heard one speaking to me out of the temple, and he said to me,

“Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the people of Israel forever.

And the house of Israel shall no more defile my holy name, neither they, nor their kings, by their whoring and by the dead bodies of their kings at their high places, by setting their threshold by my

threshold and their doorposts beside my doorposts, with only a wall between me and them.

They have defiled my holy name by their abominations that they have committed, so I have consumed them in my anger. Now let them put away their whoring and the dead bodies of their kings far from me, and I will dwell in their midst forever.

“As for you, son of man, describe to the house of Israel the temple, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities; and they shall measure the plan.

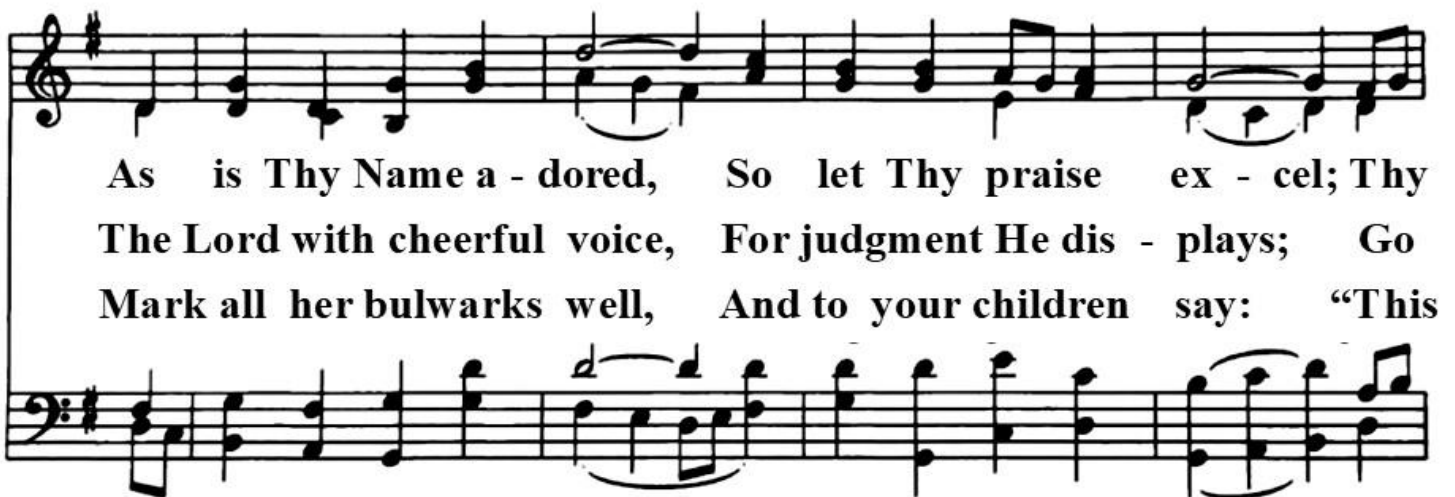
And if they are ashamed of all that they have done, make known to them the design of the temple, its arrangement, its exits and its entrances, that is, its whole design; and make known to them as well all its statutes and its whole design and all its laws, and write it down in their sight, so that they may observe all its laws and all its statutes and carry them out.

This is the law of the temple: the whole territory on the top of the mountain all around shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the temple.

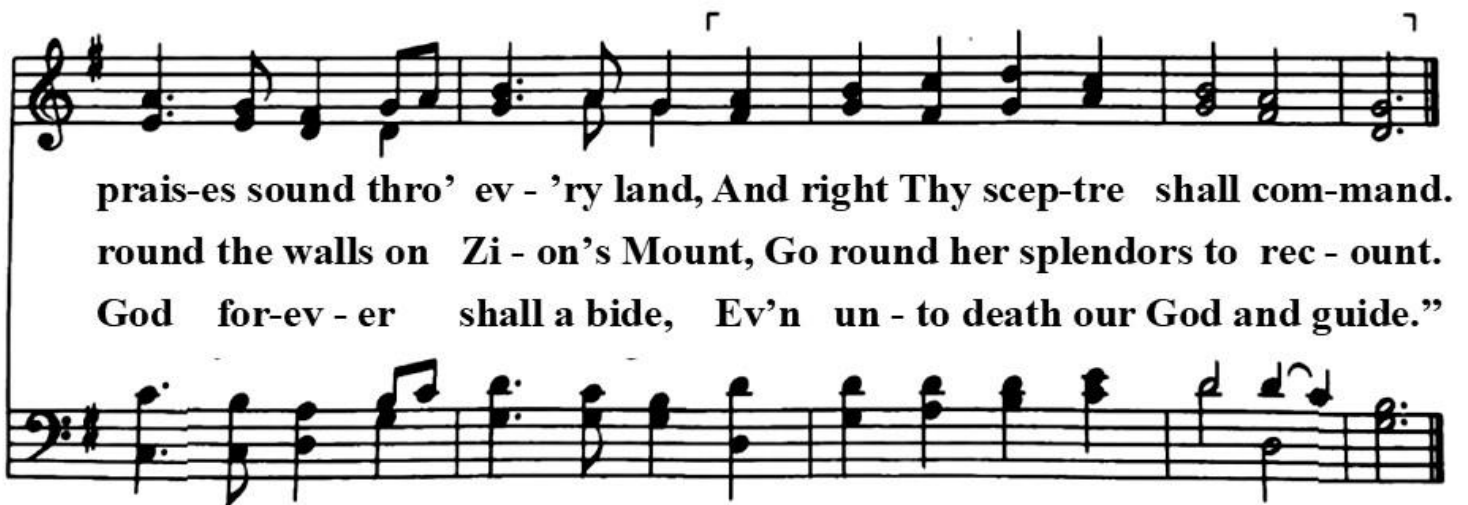
The Church's Joy in God



1. With - in Thy temple, Lord, We on Thy mer-cies dwell;
2. Let Zi - on Mount re - joice, Let Ju-dah's daughters praise
3. The tow'rs of Zi - on tell, Her pal - ac - es sur - vey,



As is Thy Name a - dored, So let Thy praise ex - cel; Thy
The Lord with cheerful voice, For judgment He dis - plays; Go
Mark all her bulwarks well, And to your children say: "This



prais-es sound thro' ev - 'ry land, And right Thy scep-tre shall com-mand.
round the walls on Zi - on's Mount, Go round her splendors to rec - ount.
God for-ev - er shall a bide, Ev'n un - to death our God and guide."

Jerusalem the Golden

1. Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey blest,
2. They stand, those halls of Zi - on, all ju - bi - lant with song,
3. There is the throne of Da - vid; and there, from care re - leased,
4. O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, the home of God's e - lect!

be - neath your con - tem - pla - tion sink heart and voice op - pressed.
and bright with man - y an an - gel, and all the mar - tyr throng.
the song of them that tri - umph, the shout of them that feast;
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try that ea - ger hearts ex - pect!

I know not, O I know not, what joys a - wait us there;
The Prince is ev - er in them, the day - light is se - rene;
and they who with their Lead - er have con - quered in the fight,
Je - sus, in mer - cy bring us to that dear land of rest;

what ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com - pare.
the pas - tures of the bless - ed are decked in glo - rious sheen.
for - ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of white.
who are, with God the Fa - ther and Spir - it, ev - er blest.

All Glory Be to Christ

1. Should no-thing of our ef-forts stand, no le-ga-cy sur-vive;
To you who boast to-mor-row's gain, tell me, what is your life?
2. His will be done, His king-dom come on earth as is a-bove;
Let liv-ing wa-ter sa-tis-fy the thir-sty with-out price,
3. When on that day the great I Am, the faith-ful and the true,
Be-hold, our God shall live with us and be our stead-fast light,

(1) Un-less the Lord does raise the house, in vain its build-ers strive.
A mist that va-ni-shes at dawn: All glo-ry be to Christ!
(2) Who is Him-self our dai-ly bread: Praise Him, the Lord of love.
We'll take a cup of kind-ness yet: All glo-ry be to Christ!
(3) The Lamb who was for sin-ners slain is mak-ing all things new.
And we shalle'er His peo-ple be: All glo-ry be to Christ!

All glo-ry be to Christ our King! All glo-ry be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll e-ver sing, all glo-ry be to Christ!