

## Sunday, May 21, 2023

### INVITATION:

The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does. (Ps. 145:13b)

*Pause and slow your breath before entering into prayer.*

### BIBLE SONG: Psalm 27:1, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation—  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life—  
of whom shall I be afraid? ...

I remain confident of this:

I will see the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord;  
be strong and take heart  
and wait for the Lord.

### PRAYER:

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone:  
my hope comes from Him.

Come I this night to the Father,  
come I this night to the Son,  
come I to the Holy Spirit powerful:  
come I this night to God.

Come I this night with Christ,  
come I with the Spirit of kindness.  
Come I to Thee, Jesus.  
Jesus, shelter me.

I will lie down and sleep.  
I wake again,  
because the Lord sustains me.

By day the Lord directs His love;  
at night His song is with me –  
a prayer to the God of my life.

Be strong and take heart,  
all you who hope in the Lord.

This dwelling, O God, by Thee be blest;  
and each one who here this night does rest.<sup>3</sup>

*Pause and listen for what God is saying to you.*

**INTERCESSION:**

\*for the church plant, *Living Hope*, and Pastor Mark who leads the church

\*for racial justice in our neighborhoods

\*for those affected by the civil war in Myanmar

*What else do you want to talk to God about?*

*How is God inviting you to respond?*

**BLESSING:**

God's peace be known deep within your soul  
when anxiety and fear assail you, when daily  
life becomes a burden that is difficult to carry.

God's peace be known and felt, as those arms  
reach out to hold you.

God's peace be known and heard, in words  
of comfort and release.

God's peace be known. Amen.<sup>5</sup>