SUNDAY MORNING - 25 th Anniversary Service 07-26-2020
07-26-2020 Pre-service Psalter 297:1, 3** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 174: All** Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:1-24 Response to the Law: Psalter 321:1** Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 7 Congregational Prayer Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 128: All** Text: 1 Samuel 7:12 <u>Theme: Jehovah, Our Helper</u> 1. He has helped us in the past 2. He is helping us today 3. He will help us in the future Prayer Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 353: All**
Doxology: Psalter 196** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

- 1*. How do we know that Israel's lamenting after the LORD (v. 2) was genuine and sincere? (v. 4)
- 2*. How can you prove from 1 Samuel 7 that the LORD speaks in every thunderstorm? Give other biblical examples.
- 3. Give several examples of how the LORD had helped Israel in the past
- 4. Why is the name "LORD" the key that unlocks the meaning of our text (v. 12)?

- 5. Why is it so important that Samuel first performs the sacrifice of a lamb before he cries unto the LORD for Israel?
- 6. Why has the LORD continued to help our congregation (and His church!) until this day?
- 7. Why did Samuel set up a stone named "Ebenezer"?
- 8. Why can we be certain of the LORD's help in the unknown future?

SUNDAY EVENING 07-26-2020 Pre-service Psalter 298:1, 3** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 49: All** Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:1-24 Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 32 (p. 66) **Congregational Prayer** Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 375: All** Text: Belg. Cf., Art. 28 (Eph. 4:15-16) – 2nd Sermon Theme: Membership in the Church of Jesus Christ 1. The necessity of membership 2. The obligations of membership 3. The witness of membership Prayer Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 298: All** Doxology: Psalter 197** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why is it important to define the true church of Christ as "an assembly of those who are saved"?
- 2. How do articles 27 & 28 focus on different aspects of the true church?
- 3. What is meant by the statement that "out of it [= the church] there is no salvation"?
- 4. Why is it a sin to live separate from the church in her visible form?
- 5. Why must members maintain the unity of the church—the household of God and the body of Christ?
- 6. Why must we submit to the doctrine and discipline of the church?
- 7*. What illustration does Paul use in 1 Corinthians 12 to illustrate how individual members of the church are to interact with each other?
- 8*. What is meant by the expression: "We must be <u>in</u> the world, but we must not be <u>of</u> the world"?