

Hymn of the Week

August 18, 2019 • Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Without the Fire

Text: Rae E. Whitney (based on a few lines by Thomas á Kempis, d. 1471), 1987. "Thomas à Kempis (1375–1471) wrote: "Without the Way, there is no Going. Without the Truth there is no Knowing. Without the Life, there is no living." I fanned out from these lines in stanza 3, using Bible imagery throughout, mostly from John's Gospel."

-Rae E. Whitney

Music: Conway, David Ashley White, 1992.

Tune named for Conway Winkler, friend of the composer.

Topics: Christian Life, Mystery of God

Scripture references: Luke 15:11-32

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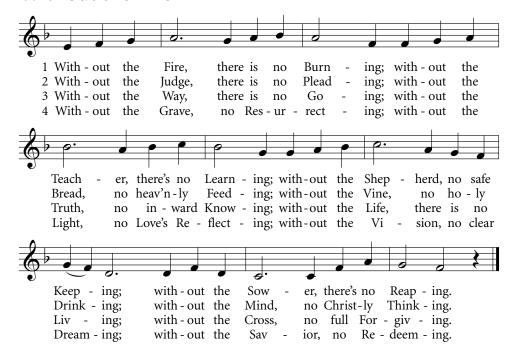
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Without the Fire, there is no Burning; without the Teacher, there's no Learning; without the Shepherd, no safe Keeping; without the Sower, there's no Reaping.

Without the Judge, there is no Pleading; without the Bread, no heav'nly Feeding; without the Vine, no holy Drinking; without the Mind, no Christly Thinking.

Without the Way, there is no Going; without the Truth, no inward Knowing; without the Life, there is no Living; without the Cross, no full Forgiving.

Without the Grave, no Resurrecting; without the Light, no Love's Reflecting; without the Vision, no clear Dreaming; without the Savior, no Redeeming.

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