The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism #53-54

Leader: How was Christ exalted in his ascension?

Leader and People: Christ was exalted in his ascension, in that having after his resurrection often appeared unto and conversed with his apostles, speaking to them of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God, and giving them commission to preach the gospel to all nations,

forty days after his resurrection, he, in our nature, and as our head, triumphing over enemies, visibly went up into the highest heavens,

> there to receive gifts for men, to raise up our affections there, and to prepare a place for us, where he himself is, and shall continue to be till his second coming at the end of the world.

Leader: How is Christ exalted in his sitting at the right hand of God?

Leader and People: Christ is exalted in his sitting at the right hand of God, in that as God-man

> he is advanced to the highest favor with God the Father, with all fullness of joy, glory, and power over all things in heaven and earth;

and does gather and defend his church, and subdue their enemies; furnishes his ministers and people with gifts and graces, and makes intercession for them. The Song

Am I a Soldier of the Cross

Am I a soldier of the cross, a foll'wer of the Lamb? And shall I fear to own His cause, or blush to speak His name? Must I be carried to the skies on flow'ry beds of ease while others fought to win the prize and sailed through bloody seas?

Are there no foes for me to face, must I not stem the flood? Is this vile world a friend to grace, to help me on to God? Sure I must fight if I would reign: increase my courage, Lord; I'll bear the toil, endure the pain, supported by Thy word.

Thy saints, in all this glorious war, shall conquer though they die; they view the triumph from afar, and seize it with their eye. When that illustrious day shall rise and all Thine armies shine in robes of vict'ry through the skies, the glory shall be Thine.

Isaac Watts, Trad. Irish folk tune arr. W. Williams @ 1969 Tiparm Music Publishers CCLI 600485

The Scripture Reading Acts 10:30-48
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The Psalm

Why Do Gentile Nations Rage? (Psalm 2)

Why do Gentile nations rage and their useless plots design? Kings of earth in schemes engage, rulers are in league combined. They speak out against the Lord; His Messiah they defy: "Let us break their chains and cords, let us cast them off," they cry.

He who sits in heaven laughs, for the Lord views them with scorn. He will speak to them in wrath, and in anger He will warn: "Yet according to My will, I have set My King to reign; and on Zion's holy hill, My Anointed will remain."

"I the Lord's decree make known; this is what He had to say: He declared, 'You are My Son; I have brought You forth this day. Ask of Me and You I'll make Heir to earth and nations all. Them with iron rod You'll break, smashing them in pieces small."

Therefore, kings, now heed this word: earthly judges, come and hear. Rev'rent worship give the Lord; with your joy mix trembling fear. Honor Him, His wrath to turn, lest you perish in your stride, for His anger soon may burn. Blessed are all who in Him hide.

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Super Summer Sunday Nights will begin June 4.

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

Holy War Joshua 10:28-43

The Hymn No. 257

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted

The Benediction

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