The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 38

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism #80-81

Leader: Can true believers be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and that they shall persevere therein unto salvation?

Leader and People: Such as truly believe in Christ, and endeavor to walk in all good conscience before him, may, without extraordinary revelation, by faith grounded upon the truth of God's promises, and by the Spirit enabling them to discern in themselves those graces to which the promises of life are made, and bearing witness with their spirits that they are the children of God, be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and shall persevere therein unto salvation.

Leader: Are all true believers at all times assured of their present being in the estate of grace, and that they shall be saved?

Leader and People: Assurance of grace and salvation not being of the essence of faith, true believers may wait long before they obtain it; and, after the enjoyment thereof, may have it weakened and intermitted, through manifold distempers, sins, temptations, and desertions; yet are they never left without such a presence and support of the Spirit of God as keeps them from sinking into utter despair.

The Hymn No. 628

Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare

The Scripture Reading

Acts 21:1-16

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The Psalm

How Shall the Young Direct Thy Way? (Psalm 119:9-16)

How shall the young direct their way? What light shall be their perfect guide? Your Word, O Lord, will safely lead if in its wisdom they confide.

Sincerely I have sought you, Lord, O let me not from you depart; to know your will and keep from sin, your Word I cherish in my heart. O blessed Lord, teach me your law, your righteous judgments I declare; your testimonies make me glad, for they are wealth beyond compare.

Upon your precepts and your ways my heart will meditate with awe; your Word shall be my chief delight, and I will not forget your law.

The Psalter, 1912, Henry Baker, 1854

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Rev. Dean Williams

A Word to the Unwise James 1:5-8

The Song of Response

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul; bring the presence of the Risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole. Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see. Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do. Love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude. Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace; turn my striving into works of grace: breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made, show Your power once again on Earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice, that in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

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The Benediction