

# Order of Worship

Sioux Center United Reformed Church  
Ascension Day, May 18, 2023

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TOGETHER

- \* Call to Worship
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Hymn of Praise: 371 *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

## TO AFFIRM OUR FAITH

- \* Apostles' Creed (pg 851)
- \* Hymn of Response: 373 *See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph*

## TO PRAISE GOD

Psalm 68:1-6,19-23,32-35

Psalm of Praise: 68A:1,12 *God Shall Arise and By His Might*

## FOR SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

Congregational Prayer

## TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

- \* Hymn of Preparation: 372 *Christ, above All Glory Seated*
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: Acts 1:1-11
- Message: **ASCENDED, SEATED, COMING**
- Prayer of Application

## AND DEPARTS TO SERVE

- \* Psalm of Response: 68B *O Lord, Thou hast Ascended*
- Offertory Prayer
- Hymn of Thanksgiving: 30: 1,2,3 *O Lord, I Will Extol You*
- Offertory: Center for Financial Education  
(offering received during song)
- \* Benediction
- \* Psalm of Praise: 113B:1 *Praise God, O Servants of the Lord*  
(unannounced)

*\*Please stand if you are able*

## ASCENDED, SEATED, COMING

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11  
May 18, 2023  
Rev. Jon Bushnell

1. Jesus Was Taken Up

2. He Was Seated

3. He Will Come

### Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. How does Christ's ascension to heaven benefit you?
2. When you think about Christ being in heaven right now, does it cause you to focus your attention on things that will have eternal significance?
3. How can Jesus be with us and in heaven at the same time?
4. What does Jesus seated at the right hand of God mean for you today?
5. How does Christ coming back comfort you? Does it increase your assurance that you will someday be with him in heaven?