

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY**

April 17th, 2011

Passion/Palm Sunday

•Those who are able may stand

**GATHERING IN GOD’S PRESENCE**

**Prelude and Chimes**

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (Mark 11:7-10)

Leader: Then the disciples brought the donkey colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and He sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting:

**People: “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Time With Children**

•**Hymn 356** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” NETTLETON

•**Prayer of Confession**

**O Lord our God, forgive us our sins and sinfulness as we open our hearts to You in silent confession. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Ephesians 2:4-5)

Leader: God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ -

**People: - by grace we have been saved!**

•**Responding to God’s Forgiveness - The Gloria Patri #579**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

**PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

**Anthem** “Hosanna” Adult Choir

**Second Scripture Reading**

**Sermon** Rev. Joel P. Thornton

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

•**Apostles’ Creed** (p.14)

•**Hymn 102** “Were You There?”

WERE YOU THERE

**GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

**Offering Our Lives and Presenting Our Tithes**

**Offertory**

•**Doxology** (#592)

•**The Prayer of Dedication**

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**Invitation to the Table**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(continue Great Prayer of Thanksgiving)

**Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Power and Might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

(continue Great Prayer of Thanksgiving)

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Breaking of the Bread**

**Communion of the People** (Please hold the bread and cup until all are served)

**Prayer**

**GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

•**Hymn 85** “What Wondrous Love Is This” WONDROUS LOVE

•**The Charge and Blessing**

•**The Congregational Response** #538 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace;

Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness.

**Postlude**

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**WELCOME TO BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

We hope you will find a home for your heart and an opportunity to serve.