

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

June 29th, 2008 11:00 am

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

•Those who are able may stand

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**Prelude** "I Call Him Lord"

**Greetings and Announcements** (Please sign the friendship register)

**Call to Worship** (II Chronicles 7:14-15)

Leader: If My people who are called by My name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear them from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

**People: Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place.**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Time With Children**

•**Hymn 513** "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (Red Hymnal) AMERICA

•**Prayer of Confession** (Book of Common Prayer)

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Psalm 103:8-12)

Leader: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will He harbor His anger forever; He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

**People: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.**

•**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**

**Old Testament Reading:** I Samuel 17:1-11

**Anthem** "America" Adult Choir

**New Testament Reading:** Matthew 5:13-16

**Sermon** "To the city set on a hill . . . by way of Elah" Rev. Joel Thornton

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

•**Apostles' Creed** (p.12 - Red Hymnal)

•**Hymn 350** "Onward, Christian Soldiers" (Red Hymnal) ST. GERTRUDE

**GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

**Offering our Lives and Presenting our Tithes**

**Offertory** "Peace In The Valley"

•**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

•**Hymn 124** "Be Not Dismayed Whate'er Betide" (Red Hymnal) MARTIN

•**The Charge and Blessing**

•**The Congregational Response** "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"  
#79 (Red Hymnal)

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.