

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

March 8th, 2009

2nd Sunday in Lent

•Those who are able may stand

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**Prelude** "All Hail The Power"

Sara Ann and JoAnn

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

**Celebrating the Gifts of the Women of the Church**

**Gathering Song** "Come, Come Everybody Worship"

**Call to Worship** (Ephesians 4:5-6)

Leader: "For us there is only one Lord, one faith, one baptism . . ."

**People: "And we all have the same God and Father who is over us all and in us all, and living through every part of us."**

Leader: Let us worship God, then, in Spirit and in truth.

**Prayer of the Day**

**Children's Sermon**

•**Hymn 442** "The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

•**Prayer of Confession** (Scripture from Ephesians 5:10-11)

**Almighty God, you ask us in Scripture to "learn as {we} go along what pleases the Lord" and to "take no part in the worthless pleasures of evil and darkness" but, instead, to "rebuke and expose them." Forgive us, Lord, when we have failed to follow You.**

SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Romans 8:1-2)

Leader: So there is now no condemnation awaiting those who belong to Christ Jesus.

**People: For the power of the life-giving Spirit - and this power is mine through Christ Jesus - has freed me from the vicious circle of sin and death.**

•**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:** Acts 3:1-8

**Anthem** "Take Up Thy Cross For Jesus"

Adult Choir

**Second Scripture Reading:** Acts 3:9-20

**Sermon** "The Apostle's Message/The Church's Message"

Rev. Joel Thornton

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

•**Apostles' Creed** (p.14)

•**Hymn 101** "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

HAMBURG

**GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

**Offering Our Lives and Presenting Our Tithes**

**Offertory** "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

•**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

•**Hymn 379** "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

•**The Charge and Blessing**

•**The Congregational Response** #438 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds

Our hearts in Christian love:

The fellowship of kindred minds

Is like to that above.

**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.