

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 12th, 2008
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
•Those who are able may stand

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude "O God our Help In Ages Past"
Sara Ann and JoAnn
Greetings and Announcements (Please sign the friendship register)
Gathering Song "We Have Come to Join In Worship"

Call to Worship (Revelation 4:8)
Leader: Day and night around the throne they never stop singing:
People: "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was, who is, and who is to come."

Prayer of the Day

Children's Sermon

•**Hymn 11** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" (Red Hymnal) NICAIA

•**Prayer of Confession**
Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.
SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Scripture from Romans 6:8,11)
Leader: Hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

•**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 Scripture: Leviticus 6:12-13
Anthem "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" Adult Choir
New Testament Scripture: Matthew 3:11
Sermon "Where's the Fire?" Rev. Joel Thornton

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

•**Apostles' Creed** (p.12 - Red Hymnal)
•**Hymn 503** "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound" (Red Hymnal) SALVATION

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offering our Lives and Presenting our Tithes
Offertory "Softly and Tenderly"
Sara Ann and JoAnn

•**The Prayer of Dedication**
The Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

•**Hymn 349** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" (Red Hymnal) WEBB
•**The Charge and Blessing**
•**The Congregational Response**
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #438 (First Verse)
Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above

Postlude

WELCOME TO BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
We hope you will find a home for your heart and an opportunity to serve.