

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

October 25th, 2009  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
•Those who are able may stand

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**Prelude** "Prelude on "Bradbury"  
Sara Ann and JoAnn

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Four Cents A Meal Offering**

**Gathering Song** "Holy, Holy"

**Call to Worship** (From Psalm 96)

Leader: Sing a new song to the Lord. Sing to the Lord all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless His name.

**People: Proclaim His salvation day by day. Tell His glory among the nations.**

Leader: Bring an offering, bear it before Him. Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness. Tremble before Him, all the earth!

**People: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad. Let the sea thunder and all that it holds. Let the fields exult and all that is in them. Let all the trees of the forest cry out for joy!**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Celebration and Dedication**

•**Hymn 428** "We Give Thee but Thine Own" SCHUMANN

•**Prayer of Confession** (Book of Common Worship, 1946)

**Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**  
SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Romans 5:1)

**All: Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

•**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** Emily Hewitt

**First Scripture Reading:** Acts 1:6-11

**Anthem** "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" Adult Choir

**Second Scripture Reading:** II Corinthians 2:15-3:3

**Sermon** "Letters of Christ" Rev. Joel Thornton

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

•**Apostles' Creed** (p.14)

•**Hymn 376** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL

**GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

**Offering Our Lives and Presenting Our Tithes**

**Offertory** "In The Field"  
Sara Ann and JoAnn

•**Doxology** (#592)

•**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

•**Hymn 371** "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER

•**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.