

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 20th, 2009
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
•Those who are able may stand

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude "Call To Worship"
Greetings and Announcements
Gathering Song "Bless The Lord, O My Soul"

Call to Worship (Matthew 11:28-29)
Leader: Jesus said, "Come unto me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."
People: "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart and you will find rest for your souls."

Prayer of the Day

Time With Children

•**Hymn 5** "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" PICARDY

•**Prayer of Confession**
Merciful and loving God, forgive our sins as we confess our sins before You. Restore us, heal us, raise us up to new life in You that we might love and serve You. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.
SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Romans 1:16a-b)
Leader: For I am not ashamed of the gospel . . .
People: . . . it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith.

•**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: Mark 8:34-38
Anthem "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide" Adult Choir
Second Scripture Reading: Romans 12:1-2
Sermon "Bearing the Cross" Rev. Joel Thornton

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

•**Apostles' Creed** (p.14)
•**Hymn 92** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ST. CHRISTOPHER

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offering Our Lives and Presenting Our Tithes
Offertory "Quietude"
•**Doxology** (#592)
•**The Prayer of Dedication**
The Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

•**Hymn 368** "I've Got Peace Like A River"
•**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

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