

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 25th, 2011
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
•Those who are able may stand

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude and Chimes
Greetings and Announcements
Four Cents A Meal Offering

Call to Worship (John 15:5)

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the vine, you are the branches. . ."

People: ". . .Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit. Apart from Me you can do nothing."

Prayer of the Day

Time With Children

•**Hymn 269** "Jesus Calls Us" (Red Hymnal)

GALILEE

•**Prayer of Confession**

Lord Jesus Christ, forgive our sins and sinfulness as we confess them to You. Save us, redeem our lives, and empower us to serve You in this world. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

•**Assurance of Pardon** (Romans 5:8)

God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for 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: Hosea 2:16-23

Anthem "The Church In The Wildwood"

Adult Choir

New Testament Reading: I Peter 1:6-9

Sermon "Refining Love"

Rev. Joel P. Thornton

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

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

•**Hymn 302** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord!" (Red Hymnal)

ADELAIDE

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offering Our Lives and Presenting Our Tithes

Offertory

•**Doxology** (#592)

•**The Prayer of Dedication**

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

•**Hymn 271** "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" (Red Hymnal)

TOPLADY

•**The Charge and Blessing**

•**The Congregational Response** #538 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

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

WELCOME TO BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We hope you will find a home for your heart and an opportunity to serve.