

**▣ The Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**  
**February 28, 2010 – 11:00 AM**

*\* Indicates congregation standing if able. Parents with infants may remain seated.  
Congregational responses indicated in bold.*

**GATHERING AND GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're delighted by your presence on this second Sunday in Lent. Our aim is to help you worship and grow in your spiritual life. Please join heartily in worship and fellowship.

GUEST SPEAKER                      Special Olympics Benefit Concert                      Lee Schuiten

HANDBELL PRELUDE              *"Kum Ba Yah (Come by Here)"*                      spiritual – arr. Stephenson

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

The Lord is the strength of our lives;

**of whom shall we be afraid?**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God, may we remain your treasure, your people, a city where prophets are honored and your commandments respected. Dwell with us. Strengthen us. Reveal your love, mercy, and grace through our lives. These things we pray in your name. Amen.

\*HYMN OF CALL # 8      *"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"*                      TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Jesus, you cried aloud, "Oh Jerusalem," lamenting your city that stoned the prophets and rejected your word, all the time wishing from the depths of your soul that you could gather them all together as a mother hen seeks to protect her chicks. We think we are standing behind you, looking over your shoulder, wondering what the matter is with the holy city, yet in truth we too dwell in a place that should have been a light to the nations and the capital of faithfulness. You weep for us as well, because we have strayed, because we have worshipped the false gods of materialism and nationalism, because we are distracted by our possessions and our obsessions – yet even now we hear your voice calling to us to repent, to return, to reclaim our destiny. We are citizens of your reign, called to live lives of service as an example to all others. Forgive us our arrogance; receive us once more as your family, renew your covenant, and restore our relationship with you and each other. There is still time. Now is the time. We praise you and pledge once more to be your people.**  
*...(silent & personal confession) Amen*

SUNG RESPONSE # 572      *“Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”*

KYRIE

*Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI # 579      *“Glory Be to the Father”*

H. W. Greatorex

HANDBELL ANTHEM      *“All Creatures of Our God and King”*

arr. Eithun

## THE WORD

### CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PSALM: Psalm 27

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

SERMONS

Standing Firm

The Rev. Craig Hendrix

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **The Apostles' Creed (Trad.)** Hymnal – pg 14

\*RESPONSIVE HYMN # 151 ***“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*** DIADEMATA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *“Etude in g minor”* by Moszkowski

\*DOXOLOGY # 592 ***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## THE SENDING FORTH

\*SENDING HYMN # 372 ***“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”*** Spiritual

\*CHARGE

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION # 540

***God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide, uphold you.  
With a Shepherd’s care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.***

\*POSTLUDE *“Alleluia”* by M. Hayes

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Liturgist: Joe Coen

Pianist: Mary Hook

Ushers: Sue & Bob Jones

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Sound: Greg Murr

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## **A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GAUESTS:**

We extend a warm welcome from Bethel Presbyterian Church!  
We invite you to participate in signing the Friendship Folders adding your name  
and address and if you desire a church newsletter or a pastoral call.

When we pray the Lord's Prayer, we say "sins...sin against us"  
rather than "debts..." or "trespasses..."

Prayer requests can be noted on the cards provided in the pew racks,  
please put those in the offering plate.

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## **BETHEL STAFF**

**Rev. Craig Hendrix - Interim Pastor**  
**Emeritus**

**Deb Hyder – Parish Nurse**

**Mary Hook – Pianist and Organist**

**Chris Badger – Handbell Choir Director**

**Linda Gerth – Child-care**

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