

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS:**

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.

**The Service for the Lord's Day  
 Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
 Palm Sunday  
 March 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**

INTROIT *"Victory Chant"* Combined Kid's Choir

\*PROCESSIONAL # 88 *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"* arr. Wm. H. Monk  
*(Waving palms in the air as we sing)*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

With enthusiasm, we welcome you to this Palm Sunday service. "Blessed  
 is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory  
 in the highest heaven!" *(Luke 19:38, NRSV)*. █

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

The stone that the builders rejected  
 has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord' s doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.  
This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it!

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Strengthen us today, triumphant Christ. Let us draw what courage we may today when the world joins together in praising you. We would walk with you through this week of peaks and valleys, even to Gethsemane, Calvary, and the tomb. This is the day of praise. Be with us! Bear with us. Amen

\*HYMN OF CALL # 142 *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”* CORONATION

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Triumphant God,**  
**we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises.**  
**While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your will.**  
**We sing easily of your greatness, but living faithfully is often**  
**beyond us.**  
**We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real,**  
**daily leading us away from you.**  
**Have mercy on us. Ride into our hearts with healing grace.**  
**Forgive what we have done and who we have been.**  
**Lord, save us. Hosanna!**  
*...(silent & personal confession) Amen*

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

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

... In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

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

H. W. Greatorex

CHORAL ANTHEM                    *“Blessed Is He”*

### **THE WORD**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Zechariah 9:9

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 19:28-44

SERMONS                            Great Expectations                    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

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*sins ... sins against us*)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY 

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

\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### **THE SENDING FORTH**

\*SENDING HYMN # 371     ***“Lift High the Cross”***

CRUCIFER

\*CHARGE

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

arr. Purifoy

*After worship, if you don't want to keep your palm,  
please deposit it in the box in the Gathering Area.*

**ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING**

Liturgist: Linda Preston

Acolytes: Brianna Walker and Corey Preston

Pianist: Mary Hook

Ushers: Delores Sandmel & John Carter

Sound: Greg Murr