

**The Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**May 16, 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

Please sign the Friendship Pad found in your pew and pass it down.

MINUTE FOR MISSION      Pentecost Offering      Jack McNew

PRELUDE      *“Praise His Greatness”*      arr. Hayes

CALL TO WORSHIP

God of great beginnings:

loud cries of new birth, noisy eruptions of new creation,

**Your voice creates form out of chaos;**  
**your hand spins the earth on its axis.**

God of the end times: author of the last word, judge at the final hearing,

**You come to us in the in-between times to get us ready.**

Open our hearts to your words of prophecy,

**preparing us for the fulfillment of your reign of love on earth.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

As we gather, Jesus, we take comfort when we pray to you and even more comfort because you are praying for us! May we all be one, not only with each other, but with all of humanity, your entire family, and all of creation.

My we join together in a communion of prayer, with you. Amen.

\* HYMN OF CALL # 383      *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*      OLIVET

CALL TO CONFESSION

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, You have shown yourself to us in Jesus,  
perfect in every way, compassionate and kind,  
faithful and loving, gracious, hospitable, open.**

**While you direct us to follow in his way  
and embrace the qualities that marked his life,  
we confess that we have stumbled and fallen.**

**Our sins are real, and they are many.**

**Have mercy on us. Forgive our failings.**

**Encourage us to start again,**

**trusting that what we have seen in Jesus is true**

**and nothing, not even our sin, can separate us from your love.**

*.... (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 *“Old Time „Hallelujah!“ Religion”*

arr. Tammy Waldrop

## THE WORD

### CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PSALM: Psalm 97

CHURCH HISTORY: Acts 16:16-34

GOSPEL LESSON: John 17:20-26

SERMON: “Brought to Complete Unity”

The Rev. Craig Hendrix

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE # 322 ***“Spirit of the Living God”*** LIVING GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *“The Road Home”* J. Martin

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

\* DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## THE SENDING FORTH

\* SENDING HYMN # 306 ***“Fairest Lord Jesus”*** CRUSADERS’ HYMN

\* CHARGE

\* BENEDICTION

\* RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION # 538

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing  
(Verse 1)*

***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 *“Lord, Be Glorified”* Hayes

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Liturgist: Joni Morgan

Pianist: Mary Hook

Sound: Greg Murr

Ushers: Deb & Dan Hyder

Acolytes: Charlie Coen and Henry Coen

## **BETHEL STAFF**

Rev. Craig Hendrix - Interim Pastor  
Deb Hyder – Parish Nurse  
Mary Hook – Pianist and Organist  
Chris Badger – Bell Choir Director  
Linda Gerth – Child-care

Rev. Richard Hettrick, D. Min.– Pastor Emeritus  
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# Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

~ a community of faith coming together,  
for fellowship, study and service . . .  
seeking God's peace, justice and love ~



## **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.

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