

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

190th Anniversary of Bethel Presbyterian

June 08, 2008

GATHERING AND GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome and Announcements

Praise Hymn #593

"Here I Am, Lord" v1

DAN SCHUTTE

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship

To your name, Lord Jesus, help me to bow the knee
Sue Lynn Johnson

and all its worshiping,

bow the head

and all its thinking,

bow the will

and all its choosing,

bow the heart

and all its loving.

Let us worship God

Prayer of the Day

We praise you, we worship you, we adore you.
You hold the heavens in your hand,
all stars rejoice in your glory.
You come in the sunrise and the song of morn
and bless the splendor of the noonday.
The stars in their courses magnify you,
day and night tell of your glory.
Your peace blows over the earth
and the breath of your mouth fills all space.
Your voice comes in the thunder of the storm
and the song of the wind whispers of your majesty.
You satisfy all things living with your abundance
and our hearts bow at your presence.

Accept us, your children, Eternal Father,
and hearken to our prayer.
Bend over us, Eternal Love, and bless us. **Amen.**

*Hymn # 127

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

W. WILLIAMS

*Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just
will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

*Prayer of Confession

Great Physician, we who kneel before you are unwell.

We are afflicted with twin illnesses-pride, which insists we have no need of you,
and shame, which makes us afraid to approach you, loath to ask for help.

If only you would touch us, Lord, we would be made well.

Forgive us, O God, and strengthen us to hope for your healing, to follow where you
lead, and to lean upon your mercy, by which we may live in righteousness.

*Sung Response

Lord Have Mercy

KYRIE

Christ Have Mercy

Lord Have Mercy

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen**

*The Gloria Patri #70

First Scripture Reading

Romans 4:13-25

A Celebration of Bethel's 190th Birthday-Organized June 6, 1818

Dan Hyder

Prayer for the Future of God's People

Ellen Dailey

Anthem

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

JOHN BECK

THE WORD

A Moment with the Children

Angie Layne

(Children dismissed for children's church)

Second Scripture Reading

Genesis 12:1-9

Sermon
Sherrod

“Beyond Fear: Abraham’s Subversive”

Marc

***Affirmation of Faith** from “A Brief Statement of Faith”

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba Father.

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God’s image,
male and female, of every race and people
to live as one community.**

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

**Ignoring God’s commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.**

We deserve God’s condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

**In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

**Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of
bondage.**

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

**Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

With believers in every time and place,

We rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Introduction to the Offering

Give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion
for God loves a cheerful giver.

Offering

W. FISCHER

“I Love To Tell The Story”

***Offertory Response # 95**

OLD 100th

Doxology

THE SENDING FORTH

***Hymn # 571**

LANCASHIRE

“Go, Make of All Disciples”

***Charge**

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response# 672 “God Be With You Till We Meet Again” J. RANKIN**

***Postlude**

“Postlude Fantasia”

A. WHITWORTH

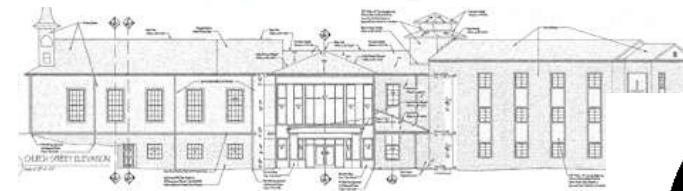
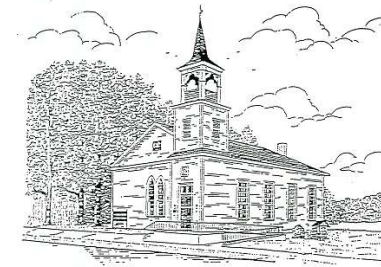
**ALL who are able, please stand.*

Kingston United Methodist Church

and

Bethel Presbyterian Church

~ two communities of faith coming together,
for fellowship, study and service . . .
seeking God’s peace, justice and love ~



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Kingston and Roane Cou

TO OUR GUESTS, we extend a warm welcome from Kingston United Me
Churches. We have covenanted together for 2008 to share in worship, fellowshi
to participate in signing the Friendship Folders (Green for Methodist – Blue for
and phone number and please note if you would like to receive a church news
pray the Lord’s Prayer, we say “sins . . . sin against us” rather than “debts . . .” or ‘
be noted on the cards provided in the pew racks, please put those in the offerin



notified of your request. A team of Pastors will be available to pray with you after worship (in the front chancel area). We are glad you are with us. Please worship with us again!

Kingston United Methodist Church
Church

Rev. Donald Morris-Pastor
Rev. Sue Lynn Johnson-Congregational Care
Regina Little - Program Director
Music Ministry- Wayne Duggin
Worship Leader – Kingston UMC

Bethel Presbyterian

Rev. Marc Sherrod-Pastor
Rev. Pat Harvey-Parish Associate
Debbie Hyder-Parish Nurse
Laura Walker–Music Ministry
Marilyn Gaffin–Music Ministry