

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 9, 2009 – 11:00 AM**

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

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

*He That Keepeth Israel*  
Phil Walsh, Baritone

A. Schlosser

**\*Call to Worship**

Wait for the Lord, let your spirits wait for God.

**We wait for the God who is our hope.** *(silence)*

Wait for God, let your hearts wait for God's truth.

**We wait for the God who brings the words of life.** *(silence)*

Wait for the living God, let your spirits wait for God.

**We wait for the God whose gift is forgiveness.** *(silence)*

Wait for the Lord, let your hearts wait for God.

**We wait for the God who joins us to each other in kinship.** *(silence)*

With open minds and ready hearts let us worship God.

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Hymn of Praise # 461**

*God Is Here!*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

**Responsive Call to Confession**

God's Word presents us with flesh-and-blood people who sinned as we sin.

**In every book we see our own brokenness reflected  
and we see broken lives made whole!**

If we confess our sin, we clear the way for God to work within us.

**If we confess our sin we affirm that God's love and mercy are unfailing.**

Let us join our hearts and voices together as we are called to confession.

**Prayer of Confession**

**Holy God, you call us to imitate our Lord, your Son. You call us to speak**

**truth to one another, but we are afraid and silent. You call us to be angry when**

**we see injustice, but we are angry with those we love. You call us to encourage**

**one another with our words, but we speak ill of our brothers and sisters. You**

call us to forgive one another as Christ has forgiven us, but we are bitter and resentful, not wanting to forgive. How we must grieve your Holy Spirit, O God.

Forgive us, yet again. Point us toward Christ. Empower us through your Spirit to follow him more nearly. *(silent and personal prayer...)* Amen.

Sung Response # 572

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

KYRIE

**\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon**

We can trust God's promise of mercy, which is affirmed in Jesus Christ.

**Jesus said "Your sins are forgiven."**

This is indeed good news! Thanks be to God!

**\*Gloria Patri # 579**

*Glory Be to the Father*

H. W. Greatorex

**Special Music**

*For Where Love Is, There Is God*  
Dianne Griffith and Phil Walsh, Vocalist

Wagner

**THE WORD**

**Old Testament Lesson:** 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

**Epistle Lesson:** Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2

**Moment with the Children**

**Gospel Lesson:** John 6:35, 41-51

**Sermon**

**"Anguish..."**

The Rev. Pat Harvey

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles Creed (Traditional)

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**\*Hymn of Response # 380**

*O Christ, the Healer*

*ERHALT UNS, HERR*

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Introduction to Offering**

**Offertory**

*Theme from “On Golden Pond”*

D. Grusin

**\*Doxology**

**\*Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

**THE SENDING FORTH**

**\*Hymn of Blessing # 525**

*Here I Am, Lord*

D. L. Schutte

**\*Responsive Charge (From Ephesians 4:7)**

Each of us has been given a gift, a portion of God’s bounty.

**As each has received a gift, let us use it for one another ...**

As good stewards of God’s varied grace!

**\*Benediction**

Now, may you walk in the light with the love of Christ,  
guided by the generous grace of God and the silent presence of the Holy Spirit,  
with you now and forever. Amen.

**\*Congregational Response # 276** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

T. O. Chisholm

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.  
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**\*Postlude**

*Come Thou Fount*

arr. Purifoy

**\*Please stand if you are able**

**ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING**

Liturgist: Alfred Rybka

Acolytes: Paul Jackson and Will Jackson

Sound: Greg Murr

**BETHEL STAFF**

Rev. S. Marc Sherrod Th.D – Pastor

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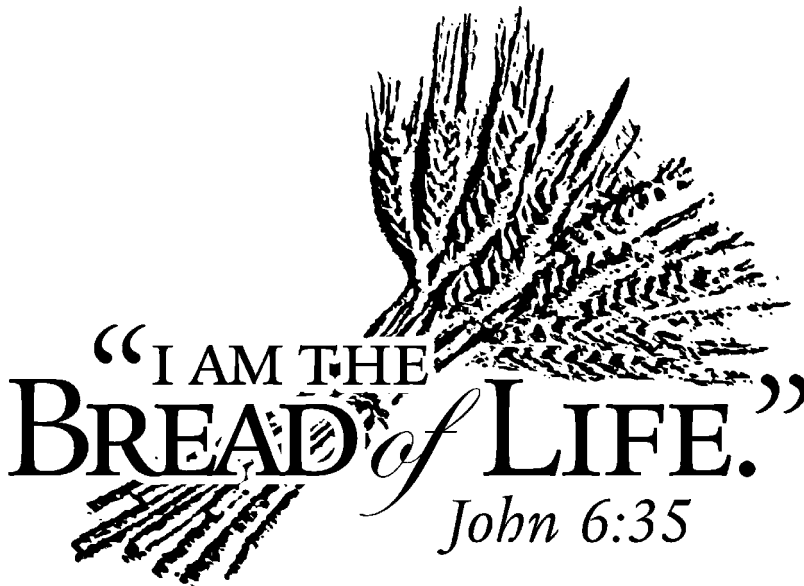
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for fellowship, study and service . . .  
seeking God's peace, justice and love ~



## **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.