

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 28th, 2019

2nd Sunday of Easter

11:00 am

***Please feel free to stand as you are able.*

Thank you for worshipping with us today! We consider your presence with us a blessing from God. You are encouraged to greet one another in friendship and love. When the Chiming of the Hour starts, you are invited to prepare yourself for the worship of God.

GATHERING**Ringling of the Bell****Chiming of the Hour**

The Bells of Bethel

Welcome & Announcements *(please pass the friendship pad)*****Passing of the Peace**

Pastor: Beloved, may the peace of Christ be with you!

People: *And also with you.***Gathering Hymn***"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

*Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Chris-tian love:
The fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds
Is like to that a-bove.*

Prelude

"From Sorrow to Joy" by Brian Childers
The Bells of Bethel

WE APPROACH GOD****Call to Worship**

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: *We will rejoice, and be glad in it!*

Pastor: Christ is our strength and our song; he is our victory!

People: *You are our God, and we will exalt you.*

Pastor: Christ is alive and our cornerstone, he is our salvation!

People: *You are our God, and we will praise you.*****Hymn of Adoration 35***"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"* (verses 1 & 2)****Prayer of Adoration****Preparation for Confession**

Eli English

Hymn of Preparation 418*"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"* (verse 1)

*Soft-ly and ten-der-ly Je-sus is call-ing,
call-ing for you and for me.
See, on the por-tals he's wait-ing and watch-ing,
watch-ing for you and for me.*

Refrain

*"Come home, come home!
You who are wea-ry, come home."
Ear-nest-ly, ten-der-ly, Je-sus is call-ing,
call-ing, "O sin-ner, come home!"*

Call to Confession**Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*

Christine Jerrett, adapted by Pastor Kelly-Ann

*In a culture where the power of death gets all the headlines
your Holy Spirit summons us to be people shaped by your power
to work resurrection. Forgive what has gone wrong. We are not
sure we believe as fully as we think we should. We are not sure
we trust as deeply as we think you require. On our journey of
"becoming" we humbly bring who we are to the foot of the cross
and confess....*

Silent Confession**Assurance of Forgiveness******Celebration of God's Grace***"Hallelujah"*

*Your love is a-maz-ing, stead-y and un-chang-ing.
Your love is a moun-tain, firm be-neath my feet.
Your love is a mys-t'ry, how You gent-ly lift me.
When I am sur-round-ed Your love car-ries me.*

*Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,
Your love makes me sing.*

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Your love makes me sing.*

*Your love is sur-pris-ing, I can feel it ris-ing,
all the joy that's grow-ing deep in-side of me.
Ev-'ry time I see You all Your good-ness shines through.
I can feel this God song ris-ing up in me.*

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Your love makes me sing.*

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**Call to the Young People****Conversation with the Young People & 5 Cents A Meal****Prayer of Illumination****Anthem**

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Sanctuary Choir

Epistle Reading: Acts 5:27-32

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God!***Sermon**

"A Surprising Turnaround"
Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

****Hymn of Reflection 291** *"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"*

Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) John Birch
This world would deny you, Lord, and rely on human wisdom in their search for answers to questions they have yet to ask, but we will praise you, and exalt your name, for we know that you are Alpha, the beginning of all things, and Omega, the end, and all that is between. We have known your healing. We have known your provision; we have known your victory. Our sorrow has turned into dancing and our tears to songs of joy. We shall praise you ever more. Amen.

Joys and Concerns and The Lord's Prayer *"Amen"*

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Invitation to Share

Reception of Tithes & Offerings

****Doxology 606**

****Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

****Hymn of Sending 248** *"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"*

****Charge and Benediction**

****Congregational Response 35**

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" (verse 3)

*Praise ye the Lord!
 O let all that is in me a-dore him!
 All that hath life and breath,
 come now with prais-es be-fore him!
 Let the a-men sound from his peo-ple a-gain;
 glad-ly for aye we a-dore him.*

**** Postlude**

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Easter Sermon Series:
"The Unexpected Acts of God"

*Peter and the other
 apostles replied:*

*"We must obey God rather
 than men!" - Acts 5:29*

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