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Bulletins and
Order of Worship
1951

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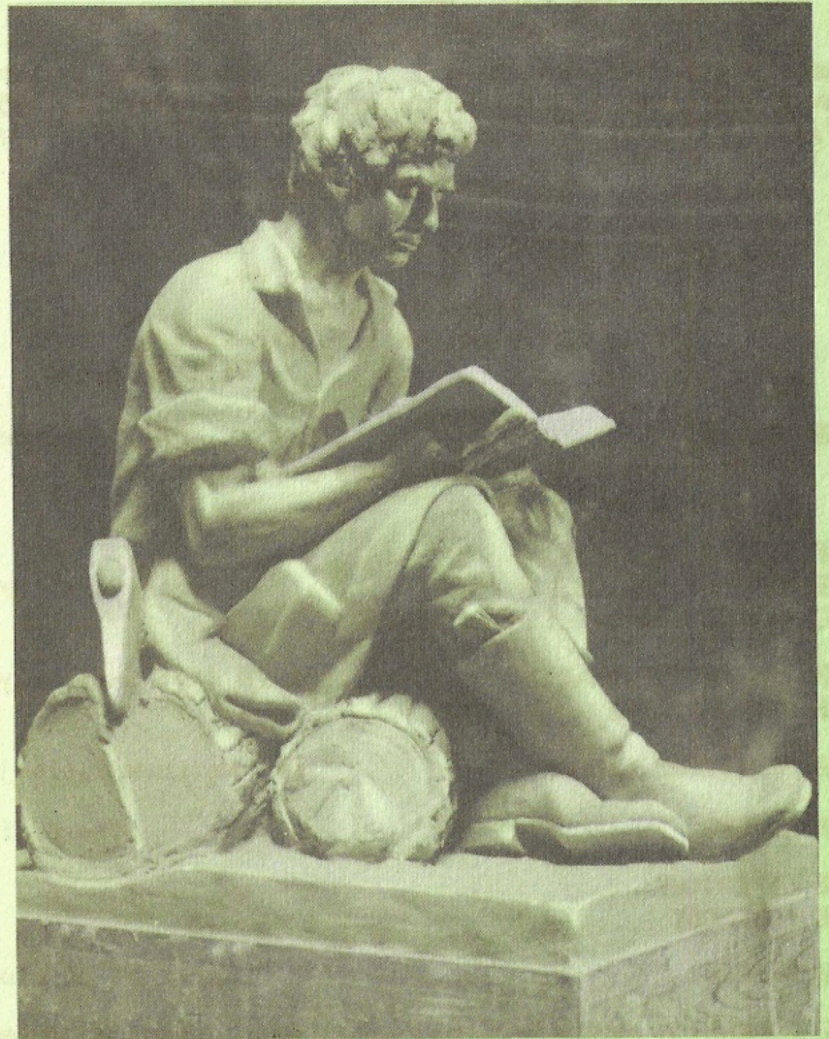
Our Christian Friendliness

The Department of Christian Friendliness is one expression of the concern American Baptists have for the religious opportunity of people who have come to America from other countries.

Planned effort to extend acquaintance across national and racial lines have produced lasting friendships, have helped children and older persons to become loyal followers of Jesus Christ, have made possible fuller co-operation in service between Christians of varied background, and have strengthened determination to bring about Christian relationships among people who differ.

Activities in American Baptist Churches are carried on among people representing some 37 nationalities. These groups include Albanian, American, Indian, Armenian, Assyrian, Austrian, Belgian, Bulgarian, Chinese, Cuban, Czech, Dutch, Esthonian, Finnish, Filipino, French, German including Latvian, Lithuanian, Mexican, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Rumanian, Russian including Jewish Slovak, Spanish, Swiss, Syrian, Turkish, Ukrainian, Welsh.

Much special attention has been given to helping European refugees, both Christian and Jewish, during the period of adjustment to life in the United States. Dissemination of accurate information about the emigrés, the quota brought to America, restriction on numbers, the new businesses that employ American labor, the addition to the market for American goods through the growth in number of consumers, has helped to reduce suspicion and fear. Volunteers have patronized small refugee businesses, have entertained newcomers in their homes, have helped in establishing church connections.



Source of Greatness

"Bless this Hymn, O Lord & Pray"
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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister 1st Sunday in Lent
David Kagiwada, student minister February 11, 1951
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

And so throughout eternity
I forgive you - you forgive me.
As our dear Redeemer said,
This is the wine, this is the bread.
- William Blake

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack
In these moments of music, may your mind reach
out toward God.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
*THE HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 48 "Praise the Lord"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING Selection 28 (1st part only)
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON St. Matthew 25:14-30

THE ANTHEM The Choir

THE OFFERTORY
*THE DOXOLOGY
THE SERMON *Presentation of gift for service* "The Light of Mind"

*THE COMMUNION HYMN, No. 104 "Break Thou the Bread"

THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
The Consecration
Silent Meditation
The Communion
Thanksgiving

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 356
*THE BENEDICTION

"Blest Be the Tie"
(549-2) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack
* Congregation stands

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TONIGHT 6:00 United Fellowship at St. Peter's
Rectory.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Discipleship Day. Special service
with an address by Dr. A.F. Ufford
of China. Also a film strip program.

FRIDAY 2:30 Women's Organization at Nashs'.

THURSDAY 7:30 Lenton Service and Classes in William
Street Methodist Church. Sermon by
Mr. Fields.

Our Wednesday night service is one you will want to
attend if you possess any curiosity concerning the
world beyond your front door.

It is part of a nation wide series of Discipleship
Days that are sponsored by the American Baptist Con-
vention. They are established for three purposes:
first, to bring you thru word and film the story of
what Baptists are doing throughout the world; second,
to enable you to hear an address by an outstanding
speaker, and; third, to give you an opportunity to face
your responsibility as a disciple of Jesus.

That this may be accomplished, our speaker will be the
Rev. Dr. A.F. Ufford of Hangchow, China. It is a
genuine privilege to have him in Delaware and we owe
him the courtesy of good attendance.

We shall also see the Kodachrome filmstrip, "We Stand
With Him."

The service begins at 7:30 p.m. and will close at 9:00.
At the conclusion of the service you will be given an
opportunity to meet the speaker and talk with him.

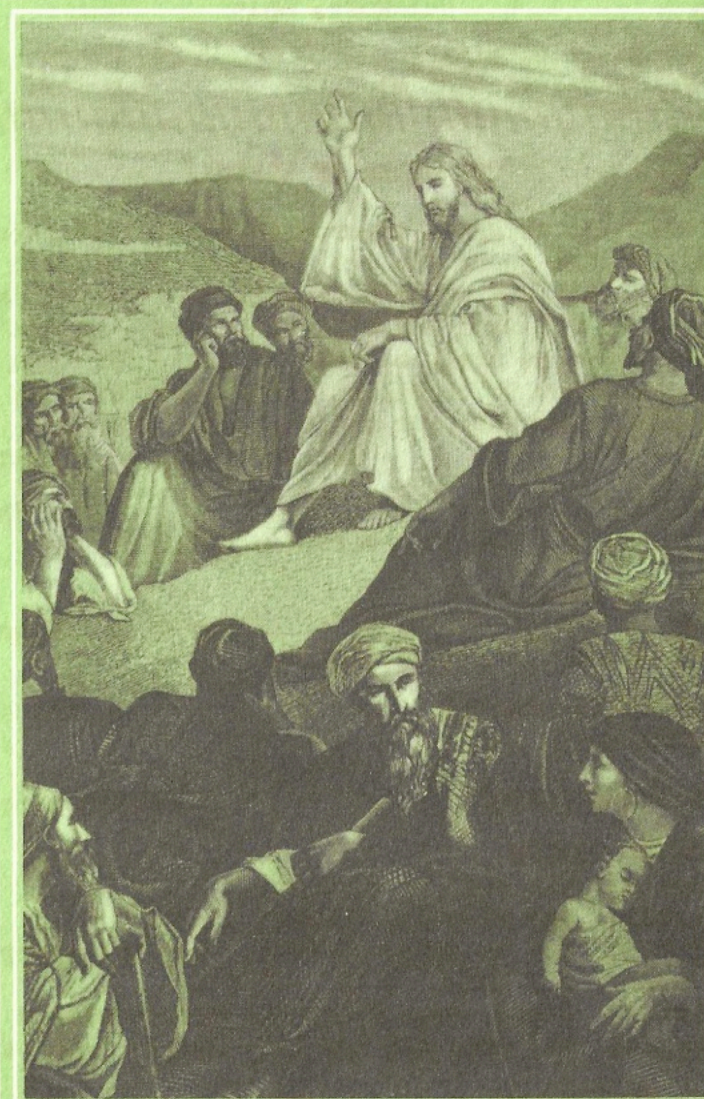
Be Still and Know...

One of the great dangers that we face today is that in our hurried and hectic lives we have no time to be still and know that He is God. We are so distracted by loud voices calling for our attention that we do not hear the still small voice calling . . . calling to you and to me. Would it not be well to put aside some time each day to be still and know that the words are still true, "Behold I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with me."

SANCTUARY

Let us put by some hour of every day
For holy things! — whether it be when dawn
Peers through the window pane, or when the moon
Flames, like a burnished topaz, in the vault,
Or when the thrush pours in the ear of eve
Its plaintive monody; some little hour
Wherein to hold rapt converse with the soul,
From sordidness and self a sanctuary,
Swept by the winnowing of unseen wings,
And touched by the White Light Ineffable!

CLINTON SCOLLARD



He Taught Them



Childlike - everything open
Teach - far Father
God -
Sow + reaping

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
David Kagiwada, student minister

Evil is the perversion of God
2nd Sunday in Lent
February 18, 1951

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Count not of great importance who is for thee, or against thee; but let this be thy aim and care, that God be with thee in every thing thou doest. For whom God willeth to help, no man's perverseness shall be able to hurt. If thou knowest how to be silent and suffer, without doubt thou shalt see the help of the Lord.

- The Imitation of Christ

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack
May all bow in reverent meditation

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 250

"How Firm a Foundation"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

Selection 5

THE RESPONSIVE READING

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

St. Matthew 5:43-6:6

THE MORNING PRAYER

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People: And grant us thy salvation.

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

THE ANTHEM

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

God - Jesus' idea of him
1) goodness at heart
2) man must respond
or its turned into evil
Romans - creation not completed
awaits the sons of God

The Choir
Kagawa

THE SERMON

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 315

*THE BENEDICTION

"The God of Jesus"

"Take My Life"

(549-2) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TODAY 6:00 United Fellowship at St. Peter's Rector .

7:30 Evening Worship and discussion - study theme - "Kagawa"

TUESDAY 6:30 Annual Church Birthday Dinner. A covered dish dinner and program in honor of your birthday. Bring your birthday offering - one penny for each year.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Worship and Bible study.

THURSDAY 7:30 Lenten Worship at Second Baptist Church.

The members of the church asked to remain after worship for our monthly business meeting. This meeting was postponed from last Wednesday due to the special Discipleship service.

The Lenten service this Thursday is sponsored by both the First and Second Baptist Churches of the city. Therefore it is your responsibility to support it by your attendance and participation.

In the next few months the church is faced with the task of paying a debt of \$700 - the sum required for the purchase and installation of the new furnace in the parsonage. Now is the time for each church family to decide its just share of this indebtedness. In a few days you will be given the opportunity to make your pledge. We know that if each does his part we can begin our new year (May 1) entirely debt free.

As God Intended It

“One root of the tenacity with which infant baptism persists lies in our Lord’s emphasis upon the importance of little children and the fact that He took them in His arms and blessed them. Should not His church do as much? An ever-increasing number of Baptist churches answer this question, saying ‘Certainly.’ And they practice the presentation of infants to the Lord in the churches by the parents. This consecration of infants recognizes fully the importance of the gift from God of a new life, both to the home and to the church with which the parents are affiliated. Prayer is offered for the parents and for the church that they may not fail in the Christian nurture of the precious baby’s life. But no water is used, not even a drop, and it is not called baptism. Baptists feel that there is something false about such a use of the New Testament word baptism. It seems to us unfair to the child to deny him the joy of confessing his own voluntary commitment to Christ in New Testament baptism.”

Reprinted from the pamphlet, “Why Immerse Believers Only” by Walter E. Woodbury, Director of Department of Evangelism, American Baptist Home Mission Society, 164 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, New York.



As God Intended It

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson, minister
July 15, 1951

Phone 4349
10:30 A.M.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Not through the grave, intoning priest
and preacher's pulpit oratory;
not through the sacramental feast,
the ritual, and pageantry;
not with incense and altar fire
and ancient, hallowed liturgy;
not with the chanting of the choir,
the anthem and antiphony,
shall you come to God.

But in your inmost privacy,
in the soul's secret sanctuary -
such is God's proximity,
such His divine simplicity -
there shall you hear the still, small voice,
there find the Presence, there rejoice.
John Ashford.

THE PRELUDE
May all bow in silent meditation
Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN, No. 47 "O Worship the King"
CONFESSON OF SINS (third prayer) Page 422
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM "Love Divine" Jones
The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1:21-39
THE MORNING PRAYER
Call to Prayer
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"Is Public Worship Necessary?"

*HYMN, No. 76

"O Love that Wilt not Let Me Go"
Choral Amen

*THE BENEDICTION

Mr. Ebenhack

THE POSTLUDE

* Congregation stands

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TODAY 7:30 Evening Worship and Discussion, "What Religion Teaches."

TUESDAY 7:00 Whatever Class at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Bun Hoffman on the Radnor Road. Note the time change and please be prompt. Hostesses: Mrs. Killam and Mrs. Frost.

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Morning Worship. Worship leader, Mrs. Rufus Crane, guest speaker, Rev. A. J. Sterret.

Your minister and his family will be on vacation from this Tuesday, July 17th, until July 31st. During this time he may be reached by calling Pomeroy, Ohio, 270X.

During the minister's vacation, regular services will be held at the usual times. Our guest preacher on both Sundays, the 22nd and 29th, will be the Rev. A.J. Sterret of the Evangelical & Reformed Church. On the first Sunday our worship will be lead by Mrs. Rufus Crane; on the second by Miss Florence Wagner.

This month will mark Mr. Sterret's first visit to our services. Let us show him the courtesy of a good attendance.

CHOIR DIRECTOR - Mrs. Hazen Young

Mr. Edgar Ebenhack - ORGANIST

CHIEF USHER - Sgt. William Hutcheson

"For I Was Hungry"

" . . . and ye gave me meat, thirsty and ye gave me drink." "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

Will you look more closely with me at some of "the least of these" as we meet them daily at a Baptist hospital such as the one at Jorhat, Assam?

"First are these 'hungry' whom Jesus mentions. Will you remember that three out of every five people, it is estimated, never know what it means to have either enough to eat or enough clothes to wear. Move along the wards and verandahs of the hospital with me and believe me when I tell you that the majority of the patients are there simply because of malnutrition. True, something else may be written on their charts, but they have fallen easy victim to their disease for one reason alone, chronic hunger. This is despairing hunger that faces great masses of humanity, the kind that thwarts all growth, all desire to live in decency and dignity. For them the all absorbing task of life is to manage enough food for stomachs simply compatible with life. Jesus recognized that hungry people would not long listen to teachings about a nobler way of life and performed his mighty miracle of the feeding of the Five Thousand, as a result.

"Move along to the children's ward of the hospital. Here are deformed, emaciated, starved bodies of little children, these whom Christ would take into His loving arms. Deformed old men and women these children, uncrying, unheeding, for whom life has already passed by offering stones rather than bread."

The above excerpts from the address given before the 1951 American Baptist Convention by Dr. Oliver Hasselblad, former missionary to Assam, points only too clearly the road your mission dollar travels.



A Basic Principle

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson, Minister September 23, 1951

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Gleich

The Prelude is preparation for Worship. It can be your time of silent prayer and devout meditation.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP The Minister

THE INVOCATION
O Eternal and Infinite Power, may we, meditating on Thee, be delivered from all timidity and weakness; O Eternal and Infinite Wisdom, may we, contemplating Thee, be delivered from all wavering and doubt; O Eternal and Infinite Love, may we, being united with Thee, love our neighbors as ourselves and lose all our self will in Thy will. Amen.
"O Worship the King"

*HYMN, No. 47

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING Selection 9

THE ANTHEM The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON John 8:12-20

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Minister: The Lord be with thee.
People: And with thy spirit.
Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
People: And grant us thy salvation.
Minister: Turn our minds toward thee, O God.
People: And teach us how to pray.

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

THE SERMON "Children of Night"
Richard Allen Beyer

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 6 "Light of the World"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Gleich

* Congregation stands

Choir Director - Mrs. Hazen Young

Organist - Mr. Edgar Ebenhack

Usher - Mr. William Hutcheson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

MONDAY 8:00 Deacons and Trustees at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Midweek worship and Bible study.

An all day meeting of the women of the Columbus Baptist Association will be held this Tuesday at the South High Baptist Church, Columbus. Those interested in attending should speak to the president of either of our women's organizations.

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

The rational nature of man is a spark of the true light. It is the first step on the upward road.

Why does man, whether at work or at play, often stray away from the right road of virtue? Because there is an inherent ignorance in him, and Ego becomes the master of him.

Lord, Save Me

Many people seem to forget that it was a Jew who brought the gospel of Christ to Rome. It was a Roman who took it to France. A Frenchman took it to Scandinavia and a Scandinavian took it to Scotland. It was a Scotsman who evangelized Ireland and an Irishman who was most responsible for the spread of the gospel in Scotland. And it was an Englishman by the name of Roger Williams who founded the first Baptist Church in America. The only race on earth today that did not receive the gospel from an alien race is the Jew who now does not accept it as his religion. The Jew who has been converted to Christianity most probably was converted by one of another race.

Yet there are people and churches throughout the American Baptist Convention who do not believe in missions and do not contribute to the support of missions. They do not realize that their own ancestors were converted to Christianity by one of another race or nationality and that they therefore owe their own faith to the missionary work done by these alien people.

American Baptist missionaries, however, are carrying on the task inaugurated by the disciples almost two thousand years ago and perpetuated by their followers. Last year these missionaries baptized over 10,000 converts on the mission fields. Other races of the world are crying, "Lord, save me." Baptists must continue to heed that call. Lend your support today to missions.



Lord Save Me



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister

September 30, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship begins when YOU enter the Sanctuary

THE PRELUDE

(The following may be the basis of your meditation during the playing of the Prelude.)

The expanding consciousness is a growing awareness of God as the only Presence and Power. To be thus consciously aware every moment of One Power is to lose negativeness and fear; bringing instead a sense of one-ness with the Infinite, releasing creative powers hitherto dormant within us; charging us with a smooth and tireless energy; filling us with inner harmony and peace.

Rebecca Beard

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE HYMN, No. 53

"Joyful, Joyful"

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Selection 6

THE ANTHEM

The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 12:1-9
Revelation 21:1-3;5-7

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

No. 362 (1st stanza)

THE SERMON

"The Necessity of Day-dreaming"

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 344

"Lead on O King"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Gleich

* congregation stands

ORGANIST - Mrs. J. F. Gleich

CHOIR DIRECTOR - Mrs. Hazen Young

CHIEF USHER - William Hutcheson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TONIGHT

7:30

Song Service at the Grace Methodist Church.

WEDNESDAY

7:15

Midweek worship and Bible study. Read Ephesians 4 & 5.

THURSDAY

8:00

Nithfus Class at Faulks'.

NEXT SUNDAY

10:30

World Communion Sunday. An offering will be received for Baptist World Service.

We welcome Alan Geyer as our new student minister. His home is in Staten Island, New York, and he is a senior in Ohio Wesleyan. This year he holds the presidency of both the YMCA and Beta Sigma Tau Fraternity, Mr. Geyer is preparing for the ministry.

"Jesus Christ is not a theory nor an idea, but a key personality. When we accept him as the highest possible expression of God in human life that men are capable of comprehending and receiving, we begin to expand into his consciousness."

Charles Brent

God will do nothing without Man. If God works a miracle he does it thru Man.

Paracelsus

World-Wide Communion Day

Today Christians all over the world will share the broken bread and outpoured wine, symbolic of the body and blood of our Lord. This we will do "in remembrance" of Him. It is inspiring to know that, as we eat the bread and take the cup, Christians around the world, of various races and of widely differing backgrounds, are participating in this same commemorative supper. A chain of common devotion to one Master binds us together.

But we are members of still another company. Down through the ages of the past, men and women have kept this feast. Today we are part of a great fellowship that includes Peter and John, Paul and Stephen, Augustine and Martin Luther, Roger Williams and Adoniram Judson.

This is a ceremony of forgiveness and of fellowship. We, celebrating it here today, are part of a great multitude, innumerable as the sands of the seashore or the stars in the heavens, of Christians, both living and dead, bound by links of love and loyalty to our living Lord. Let us "think on these things" as we share in this service.

"According to thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember thee.

"Thy body, broken for my sake,
My bread from heaven shall be;
The cup, thy precious blood, I take,
And thus remember thee."

JAMES MONTGOMERY, 1825



The Cup of Blessing

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

James Stephenson, minister World Communion Sunday
Alan Geyer, student minister October 7, 1951

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nothing in all creation is so like God as stillness.

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Gleich

You need seek Him neither below nor above.
He is not farther away than the door of your
heart. He stands there, His readiness waiting
upon yours, until you open the door for His
entry. Do not call as if He were far away....
Be quiet - and do not waver, lest turning away
from God, you never return.

- Eckhart

THE CALL TO WORSHIP and INVOCATION

*THE HYMN, No. 351 "In Christ...No East or West"

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Call to Confession
The Prayer
Assurance of Pardon

THE RESPONSES

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips.
People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Minister: Praise ye the Lord.
People: The Lord's Name be praised.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

I John 4:7-12;16

The Choir

THE ANTHEM

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"....that Ultimate Divider"
"....that ultimate divider, hunger of self"
- John Tettermer

*THE COMMUNION HYMN, No. 104 "Break Thou the Bread"

"Memories of Assam"

Mrs. Carolyn White

THE OFFERING FOR OTHERS

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Scriptures
The Prayer of Consecration
Communion

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 355 "Come Kingdom of our God"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Gleich

* congregation stands

Organist - Mrs. J. F. Gleich

Choir Director - Mrs. Hazen Young

Usher - William Hutcheson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY 6:00 United Fellowship (University) at
the Evangelical & Reformed parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Worship and monthly business meeting.

THURSDAY 8:00 Phyllis Beckley Mission Circle with
the members of the Women's Organiza-
tion as guests; at the church. Mrs.
Myra Stephenson of Pomeroy, Ohio
will speak on home missions in Alaska.

It is most appropriate that our World Service offering
objectives be presented to us by Mrs. Carolyn White,
who served in that field as an American Baptist
missionary.

Our church follows the custom of open communion, and
all who look toward Jesus as One who opens the Way to
God for us are welcome to join with us in this Sacrament
of unity and dedication.

Nicaragua for Christ

American Baptists can help their Christian brethren in Nicaragua translate their motto, "Nicaragua para Cristo," (Nicaragua for Christ) into actuality. Although Nicaragua is called "The Land of Tomorrow," because it is said that its people are likely to postpone until tomorrow that which they might do today, it could also be known by that name because it is a land of glorious opportunities.

At present, these opportunities are only partially being met by American Baptists. Amid a population which is about 70 per cent illiterate, American Baptists have but one school. In addition, there are some schools sponsored by Baptist churches which obtain help from the mission and the missionaries, and there is a small school maintained by the Nicaraguan Baptist Convention as part of its missionary effort. But there are still many areas where adults cannot read, and children are growing up without an education. Sixty schools are needed, one for each station, instead of the struggling six that now exist. Here are wonderful opportunities to teach children the responsibilities of world citizenship, to help them develop Christian character and to tell them of Christ.

American Baptists have only one hospital in Nicaragua. The majority of sick folks never reach it. They are too poor, and the hospital is too far away. Because of these facts, a large percentage of children die before they are two years old. The vitality of those who survive is often impaired by malnutrition, malaria and parasites. Many never know vigorous health. Those who have come to the clinic, or have entered as inpatients, have a grateful appreciation of the hospital. A Bible woman visits patients in the wards and calls at the homes of those who have been patients. These are further tremendous opportunities. TODAY these opportunities are ours. Let's make The Land of Tomorrow the Land of Today.



God Washed Them

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister

October 14, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nothing in all creation is so like God as stillness.

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack

In the Kingdom of Heaven all is in all, all is one, and all is ours.
Eckhart

THE CALL TO WORSHIP "Holy, Holy, Holy"
*HYMN, No. 5

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING Selection 5

THE ANTHEM The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 3:2-17

THE MORNING PRAYER
The Call to Prayer
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY The Doxology
*THE RESPONSE

THE SERMON "Escape from Jordon"

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 168 "All Hail the Power"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

ORGANIST - Edgar Ebenhack

CHOIR DIRECTOR - Mrs. Hazen Young

USHER - William Hutcheson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

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age.

7:30 Worship and discussion.

TUESDAY 7:30 Whatever Class at the home of Mrs.
Lot Jones.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Midweek worship and Bible study. Study
Ephesians 6.

How many of you are readers of the international Baptist magazine MISSIONS? It is one of the best of modern church periodicals dealing with the world church and current affairs. It will help you interpret the events of today's history from a distinctly Christian point of view.

If you subscribe before OCTOBER 16TH, you may obtain it at the special rate of two years for \$2.50, or three years for \$3.00. Regular rate for ONE year is \$2.00, which means that by subscribing now you obtain a saving of \$1.50 on a two year subscription and a \$3.00 saving on one of three years.

A copy is on display in the vestibule.

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

Ceremonies in themselves are not sin; but whoever supposes that he can attain to life either by baptism or by partaking of bread is still in superstition.
Hans Denk

You are as holy as you will to be.

Ruysbroeck

By considering yourself an advocate with God for your neighbors and friends, you would never find it hard to be at peace with them. It would be easy for you to bear them and forgive them.

William Law

Outposts of Christianity

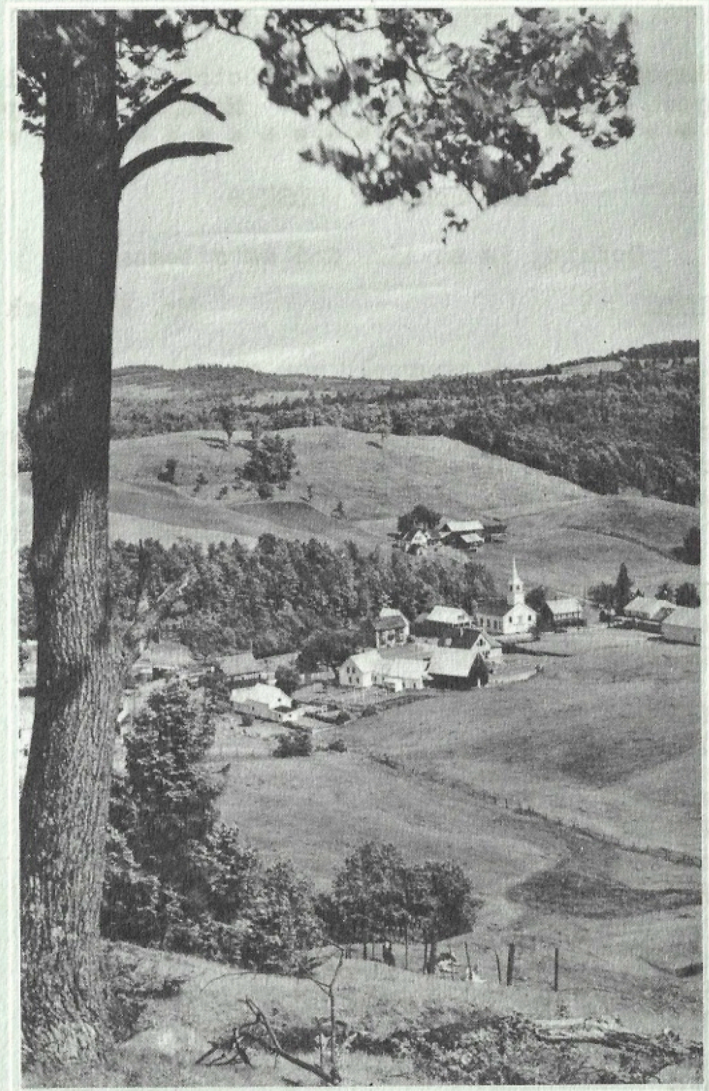
Rice in the husk was spread out in the sun to dry. Two small girls were pounding the husk off rice in huge mortars larger than they were, using pestles so large that their small hands would hardly go around them and could reach only about a fourth of the way along them. While pounding the rice one girl has a long bamboo pole over her shoulder with which she whacks the ground to scare marauding chickens, pigs and goats.

As often as they could, the little girls would pause for a moment and gaze at the white woman who was talking to a group of the villagers in a small clearing nearby. The woman was telling them about a man named Jesus. This was the second time she had come to the village, only this time she brought pictures with her and was using them to tell her story.

The white woman was interrupted many times by the talking of the little crowd around her but she was determined to go on in spite of these distractions. There were some in the group who were interested and never took their eyes from the speaker. When the woman had finished, many of the crowd clamored for more news of the things that she had told them and the small girls, themselves, wished that they might also have a chance to hear more about this man Jesus.

This incident in the life of one of our American Baptist Missionaries is repeated every day in some remote corner of our mission field. Christ said "Let the little ones come unto me." Our gifts can help to fulfill this biblical supplication.

Jesus depends upon our willingness to give if we cannot go.



Stronghold of Peace

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister October 21, 1951
Alan Geyer, student minister Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nothing is so like God as silence

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack

In order to know yourself you should be more concerned with your own faults and failings than with those of other people, for only your own can you deal with and correct - theirs are their own affair, and none of your business
Claude Bragdon

A1 THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No 250 "How Firm a Foundation"

A1 *THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER *This is the message we*

THE CONFESSION OF SINS *have heard and proclaim to you that God is*

Call to Confession *Light in him is no darkness at all. RS*

Prayer of Confession *we say we have fellowship with Him*

Assurance of Pardon *while we walk in darkness, we lie to*

THE RESPONSES *not live according to the truth.*

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth thy

praise.

Minister: Praise ye the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE ANTHEM The Choir

A1 THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 20:22-26

John 4:19-24

THE MORNING PRAYER

The Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

A1 THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

No. 362 (1st stanza)

THE SERMON "Altars of Earth and Sky"

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 197 "Jesus Calls Us"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack
*congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR ORGANIST
Mrs. Hazen Young Mr. Edger Ebenhack

USHER

Mr. William Hutcheson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TODAY 4:30 Junior Youth Fellowship for all young people of the Junior and Intermediate Departments.

6:00 United Fellowship (University) at the Evangelical & Reformed parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 8:00 Community United Nations Day service in this church. The speaker will be Mr. David Jennings of the History Dept. of Ohio Wesleyan University.

NEXT SUNDAY 3:00 Conference for children's workers in Granville at the First Baptist Church. Miss Doris Stensbury will speak. Those desiring transportation should speak to the minister.

Who can separate his faith from his actions?
Who can spread his hours before him, saying,
This for God and this for myself; this for
my soul, and this other for my body?
Your daily life is your temple and your religion.

Kahlil Gibran

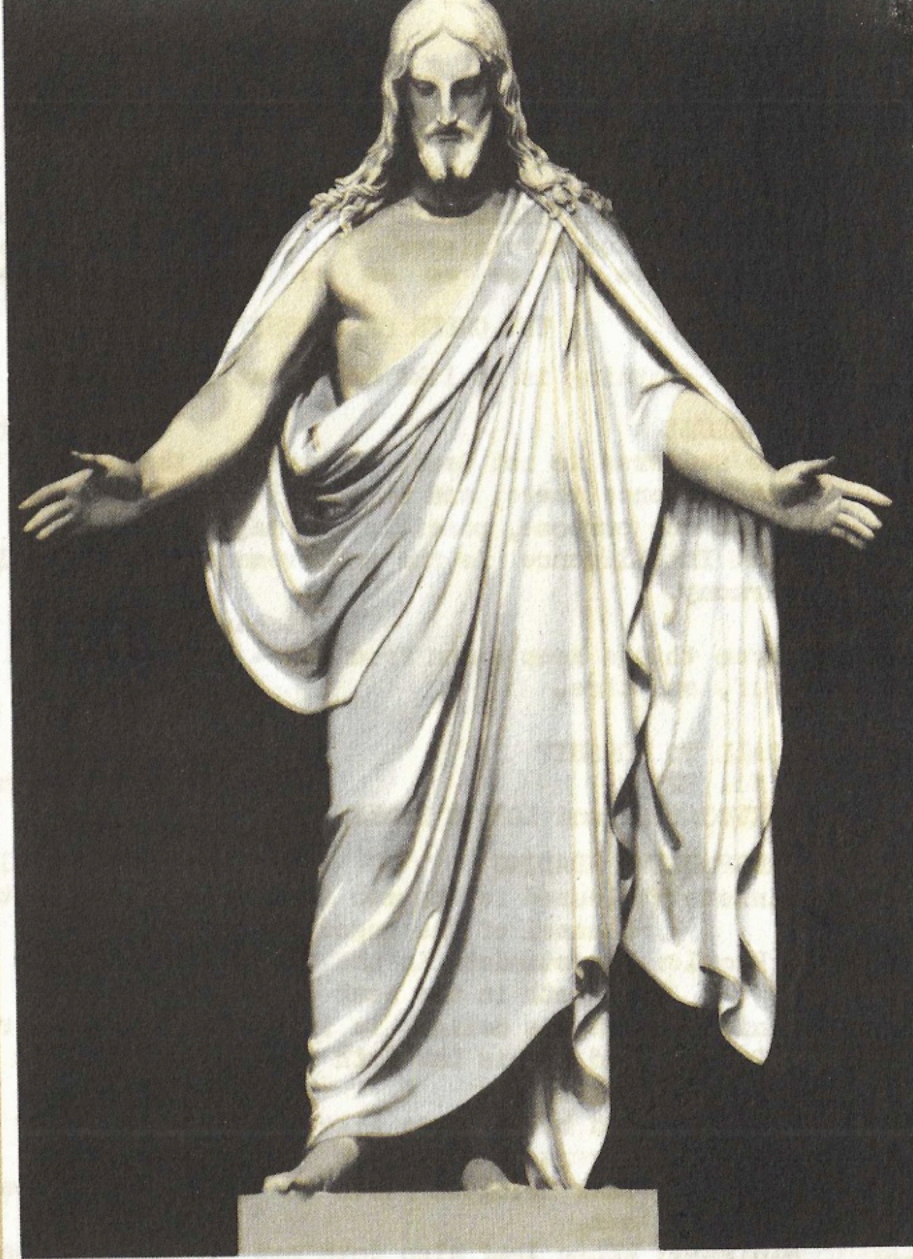
Come Unto Me

Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not. . . ." His arms are still open wide to the world's children—hungry children in India, homeless children in Korea, illiterate children in Africa, underprivileged children in America. But His love for them expresses itself through us. As has often been said, "Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work today." Our lack of compassion and generosity can "forbid" children to come to Him as effectively as if we closed a door in their faces.

American Baptist women, through their White Cross boxes, are ministering to the world's children. Consider the following letter from Miss Charity C. Carman, a missionary in Insein, Burma:

"Your White Cross boxes with dainty baby things, useful little boys' and girls' clothes, towels, soap, bandages, and lovely remnants of cloth, as well as Sunday school supplies made several hundred children happy last Christmas. Many a school girl and boy has been using the pencils and rulers and pads and notebooks you sent. Also, the crayons and short pieces of pencils are helpful in our many Sunday schools. I wish you would always send large pictures (Kindergarten, Primary) that you have extra, and the little ones to match. Also, big or small picture rolls are valuable for the Bible School graduates to take with them. Any good maps of Old Testament, New Testament, and Paul's journeys are of great help to our Sunday school teachers and seminary students, as well. Please send all your old 1950 Adult, Senior and Intermediate quarterlies; as we have to use 1950 lessons a year later."

These are specific ways in which we can help. And every one of us can support the world-wide mission of American Baptists with our gifts, thus ministering to children everywhere.



Come Unto Me

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister

October 28, 1951
Morning Worship

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nothing is so like God as stillness.

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack
The universe is not dead. Therefore, there is an Intelligence there, and it is all pervading. At least one purpose, possibly the major purpose of that Intelligence is the achievement of universal harmony.

Richard E. Byrd
Three things keep a man from God - his sins, himself, and time.

Eckhart

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN No. 323

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

"Faith of Our Fathers"

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 1

Minister: Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly,

People: Nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful;

Minister: But his delight is in the Law of the Lord;

People: And on his Law doth he meditate day and night.

Minister: And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water,

People: That bringeth forth its fruit in its season,

Minister: Whose leaf also doth not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

People: The wicked are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Minister: Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment,

People: Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

Minister: For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous;

People: But the way of the wicked shall perish.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Choir

THE ANTHEM

Exodus 20:1-18

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxology

*RESPONSE

"Is God Necessary?"

THE SERMON

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence
Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, No. 315

"Take My Life"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

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Mr. Edgar Ebenhack

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Mr. William Hutcheson

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY 3:00 Children's workers conference at Granville
- 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship party
- 6:00 United Fellowship at the Evangelical & Reformed parsonage.
- TUESDAY 8:00 Meet your candidates for the coming election. Sponsored by League of Women Voters, at Willis Hi.
- WEDNESDAY 7:15 Bible study and worship. Begin study of the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7)

When Sunset Comes

Old age is not necessarily beautiful. It is easy for those who are younger to become sentimental, and to them old age is inevitable, a period of quiet, peaceful rest. But, such is not always the case.

Old age, as is true of every period of life, brings its difficult adjustments. There is the necessity of retiring from the work that has been for many years a part of living. There is the battle with the feeling of uselessness that comes with the withdrawal from a life of activity, and there is always the necessity of finding a way by which one can care for the financial needs of living, now that strength is ebbing and the body is failing.

These problems of old age come to ministers and missionaries with the same urgency as to others. Perhaps the difficulty is made all the greater by the fact that ministers and missionaries, having given themselves unselfishly to the service of others, face even more urgent financial problems.

It is the responsibility of our denomination to protect our older ministers and missionaries, who are without adequate pension protection, from physical need. It is for this reason that our Convention has requested each of the churches to dedicate the Communion Offering on November 4 to the Communion Fellowship Fund of The Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board.

From the churches' point of view, the dedication of the one Communion Offering is a comparatively easy matter, but from the standpoint of the ministers and missionaries who are in need of assistance, such an action is of tremendous importance.

Seldom are our churches offered an opportunity to do so much for so little.

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Unto Him

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister
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November 4, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

When we are silent, God speaks.

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

Life for its own sake is not worth living. Mere quantity of life without quality stands self condemned. A life worth living is one that is full of active aspiration for something higher and nobler, full of devotion to the good of others. Such life leads us from the unreal to the Real, from darkness to Light, from death to Immortality.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 5

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE RESPONSES

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips.
People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Minister: Praise ye the Lord.
People: The Lord's Name be praised.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 2:23-3:7

THE ANTHEM

The Choir

THE OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

No. 362 (1st stanza)

THE SERMON

"How Jesus Abolished the Sabbath"

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

*THE COMMUNION HYMN, No. 443
THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

"Jesus thou Joy"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
The Invitation
The Prayer of Consecration
The Communion

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 356
*THE BENEDICTION

"Blest be the Tie"
Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

* Congregation stands

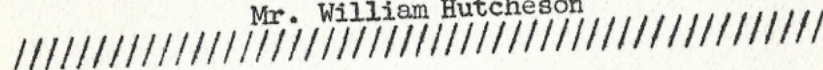
Mr. Ebenhack

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY 2-5 Open House at the Public Library.
- 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship.
- 6:00 United Fellowship (University) at the E & R Parsonage.
- 7:30 Evening Worship and discussion.
- TUESDAY ELECTION DAY. A CHRISTIAN VOTES!!! A CHRISTIAN VOTES INTELLIGENTLY!!!
- WEDNESDAY 7:30 Business meeting and study of the Sermon on the Mount.
- THURSDAY 8:00 Phyllis Beckley Mission Circle at Faulks.
- 8:15 Second Annual Interracial Choir Festival at Woodward School, corner of Washington and Harrison. Sponsored by the Second Baptist Church. Our Choir will sing. Special music by guest choirs.
- NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Sermon based on the 5th and 6th Commandments.

Reflecting His Light

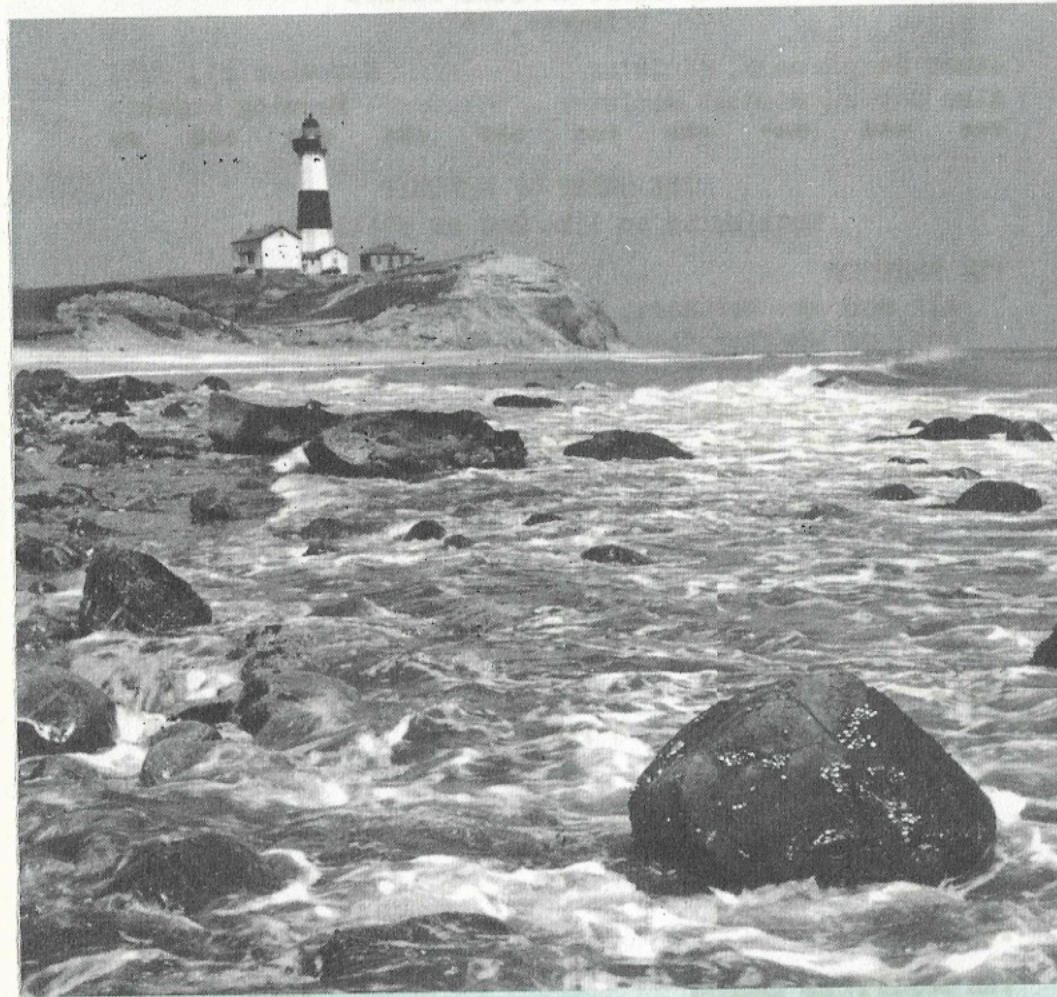
Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." He also said, "Ye are the light of the world." We are here in order that we may reflect His light in a dark world. The deeper the shadows, the more we are expected to shine.

We can send His light to dark continents by our missionary giving. What a force American Baptists can be, if they will! Through missionaries—pastors, doctors and teachers—the light can be sent around the world.

One of our missionaries, Miss Mary Suderman of Assam, writes of the passing on of the light in the Christian Hospital:

"Several weeks ago, I took part in my first nurses' capping and graduation service. Two girls completed their nurses' training and passed government examinations for registration, and eight girls received their caps. Seeing these nurses file into the chapel followed by the whole student body of nurses all in uniform, so filled me with excitement that I found it difficult to keep my attention on organ playing. It was very impressive as Dr. Curry lighted the candles of the newly capped nurses, passing the challenge on to them to carry the light of Jesus Christ with them as a witness wherever they go."

"Light of the world, illumine
This darkened earth of thine,
Till everything that's human
Be filled with the divine;
Till every tongue and nation,
From sin's dominion free,
Rise in the new creation
Which springs from love and thee."



The Better Light

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister November 11, 1951
Alan Geyer, student minister Morning Worship
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nothing is so like God as stillness.

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

All men are brothers, whether they know it or not, or whether they live as though this fact were true. All forms of life are sharing the same eternal Essence of Life. More; all is alive, and there is no death, save of the temporary form. The whole universe is one, and when the Manifest returns into the bosom of the Unmanifest all things will find their unity. The way of salvation is therefore to return to the One. Love is the fulfilling of the Law.

(adapted) C. Humphries

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN, No. 47

"O Worship the King"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

The Call to Confession
Prayers of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

THE ANTHEM

The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 6:27-45

THE MORNING PRAYER

Minister: O Lord our God.

People: How excellent is thy name in all the earth!
Minister: Thou hast made us to have dominion over the works of thy hands;

People: Thou hast put all things under our feet.

Minister: Let us pray:
On all rulers and legislators, on councillors and ministers of state, on judges and magistrates,

People: We pray for thy blessing, O Lord.
Minister: On all who are in places of responsibility, both high and lowly, on those whose tasks exceed their strength,

People: We pray for thy blessing, O Lord.
Minister: On those who stumble in the darkness of their trouble, on those disturbed in heart and mind, on those anguish of body and soul,

People: We pray for thy gift of strength, O Lord.
Minister: On those in pain and all manner of illness, on those whose lives are warped and hurt, on all who cry for help and light,

People: We pray for healing, O God our Father.
Minister: On those in the armed forces of this and all countries, from this and every church, on all who are separated from their families and their friends,

People: We pray thy blessing and thy peace, O God.
Minister: And to all nations, upon all peoples, may thy peace descend. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN, No. 98 "Holy Ghost with Light Divine"
(to be sung with reverence while seated)

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxology

*THE RESPONSE

THE SERMON

"Stop Killing Your Brother!"

Honor thy father and thy mother.
Thou shalt not kill.

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 377

"We've a Story"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

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TODAY the Junior Youth Fellowship will meet at 3:00 p.m.
UNITED FELLOWSHIP for University students at 6:00 p.m.
today at the Evangelical & Reformed personage.
DEACONS AND TRUSTEES meet Monday at 8 p.m. at Drey's.
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING this Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.

Thanksgiving Day

November brings again the day when, as a nation, we thank God for His blessings. Each of us knows for what he has to be thankful. For most of us these gifts are almost too numerous to mention. But, too many days in the year we fail to remember their source. On Thanksgiving Day, we stop and take stock of them and give thanks to God for His goodness.

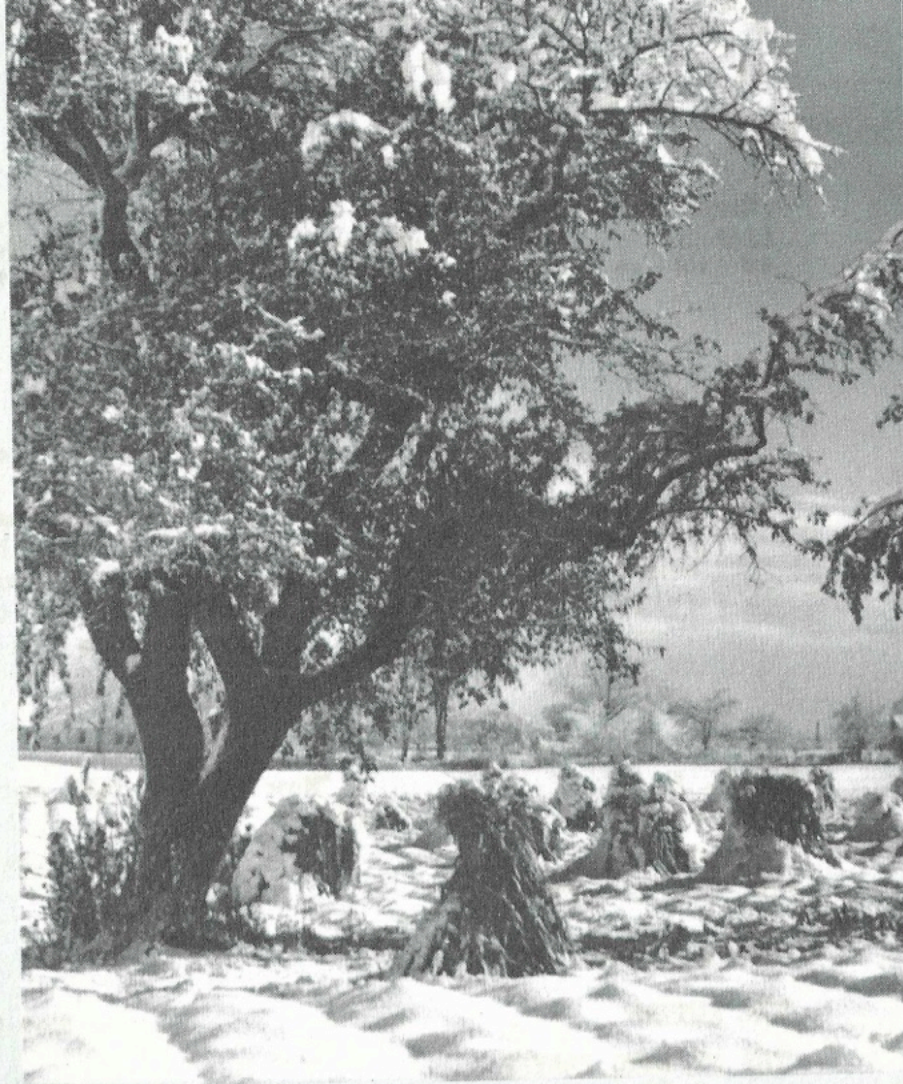
On this Thanksgiving Day, let us resolve to have more frequent days of thanksgiving. Let us *daily* thank our Heavenly Father for the many rich gifts which come to us from His hand. And let us share them with those who have less.

“We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God’s almighty hand.

“He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain.

“We thank Thee, then, our Father,
For all things bright and good,
The seedtime and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food:

“No gifts have we to offer,
For all Thy love imparts,
But that which Thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.”



Our Father's Care

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister
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November 18, 1951
Morning Worship

Nothing is so like God as stillness

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack

Oh, Lord! all our ills come from not fixing our eyes on Thee: if we looked at nothing else but where we are going we should soon arrive, but we fall a thousand times and stumble and go astray because we do not keep our gaze bent on Him Who is the Way.

St. Theresa

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 49

"Now Thank We all our God"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Selection 54

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 2: 41-52

THE ANTHEM

The Choir

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxology

*RESPONSE

THE SERMON

"The Church in Your House"

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 477

"We Plow the Fields"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

*Congregation stands

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TODAY 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship.
6:00 United Fellowship (University)
at the Evangelical and Reformed
Parsonage.
7:30 Evening Worship. The motion
picture, "ONE GOD" will be shown.
A portrayal of the ways Catholics,
Protestants, and Jews worship.
Music by the Don Cossack Choir.

TUESDAY 7:30 The Whatever class at the home
of Mrs. C. H. Richards. A good
attendance is requested.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Community Thanksgiving Service
at St. Peter's Episcopal
Church, East Winter Street.
Rev. Bernard Lomas will preach.

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Final sermon in the series on
the Ten Commandments.

IT IS AGAIN TIME to renew your subscriptions to
THE OHIO BAPTIST, our state newspaper. The cost
is 40¢ if we have 20 subscribers. Give your sub-
scription to Mrs. Grace Myers.

The new telephone number for the parsonage is 29293.
The number is listed un First Baptist Parsonage.
Your minister will be in Pomeroy Thanksgiving Day
and Friday. The number there is 270X.

Stewardship Day

"On the first day of every week," reads the New Testament, "each of you is to put something aside and save, as he may prosper. . . ." Notice the emphases: "every week," "each of you," "as he may prosper." Giving is to be regular, universal and proportionate.

Such a regular, proportionate plan on the part of every member would revolutionize church finance and the support of the world-wide missionary enterprise. There would be enough to strengthen the church at home and greatly advance her frontiers around the world.

"Many church members are already giving to God at least one-tenth of their incomes, and deliberately and thoughtfully giving from one-fourth to one-half of this to reach the non-Christian world with the truth about God. If even one-half of our Protestant church members would give 10 per cent of their incomes to God, AND ONE-FOURTH OF THIS TO FOREIGN MISSIONS, our churches would have more than twice as much left to spend in America, and we would have more than TEN TIMES AS MUCH to spend abroad as we are now doing. Every step in this direction is a step toward world evangelization and world peace. THEY CANNOT COME SEPARATELY. Many churches are already doing better than this by giving well over \$100 per member annually to all church purposes and at least half of this to world evangelization. And they are the happiest Christians I meet in America."*

So remember, upon the first day of the week—every Sunday—to set aside a portion for the Giver of all good gifts, as He has prospered you. Have you anything for which you are indebted to Him? If so, let that be the gauge of your giving.

* Christ for the World Movement



As Unto Him

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

J
James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister
November 25, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

God is heard in the Silence

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Ebenhack
To consider mankind otherwise than brethren, to think favors are peculiar to one nation and exclude others, plainly supposes a darkness in the understanding. For, as God's love is universal, so where the mind is sufficiently influenced by it, it begets a likeness of itself, and the heart is enlarged towards all men.

John Wollman

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, No. 13 "O Day of Rest and Gladness"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING Selection 25
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
Call to Confession
Prayer
Assurance of Pardon

THE ANTHEM The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

THE OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE The Doxology

THE SERMON "The Big Thieves"
Thou shalt not steal.
Thou shalt not bear false witness.
Thou shalt not covet.

THE MORNING PRAYER
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 231 "Rock of Ages"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack
* congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR Mrs. Hazen Young
ORGANIST Mr. Edgar Ebenhack

USHER
Mr. William Hutcheson
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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTES

TODAY 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Midweek worship and study of the Sermon on the Mount.

NEXT SUNDAY First Sunday in Advent.

The general assumption is that our troubles are political and economic, and solutions are sought at these levels. But we know that the source of the troubles of the world lies at a deeper level. Our problems are the outward symptoms of the age long struggle between good and evil. The real battlefield is the soul of man, and that includes your soul and my soul.

Thomas Green

God impels nobody, for He will have no one saved by compulsion ... God has given free will to men that they may choose for themselves, either the good or bad. God forces no one, for love cannot compel, and God's service is therefore, a thing of complete freedom.

Hans Denck

Christian Ministry to Service Men

One of the greatest opportunities facing Christian churches in the present hour is in the Armed Forces of the United States. Young people in military service are often insecure, confused and hungry for the gospel of Jesus Christ. The Christian chaplain has the opportunity of ministering to them, not only through the usual Christian services, but also through the close personal contact of a man among men. He mingles freely with enlisted men and officers, and his testimony is brought as much through the life he lives as through the words he speaks.

Many thrilling experiences reveal the effectiveness of this gospel preaching. At the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in Illinois, four Baptist chaplains have baptized 1,100 men into membership of Baptist churches in nine months. A chaplain serving aboard a transport ship reports from 25 to 40 baptisms each trip overseas. Evangelistic services are held each morning at 9 A.M. Attendance increases rapidly, and "standing room only" is a common situation. Many Christians who have never participated in a religious service take part—leading the singing, offering prayer, or giving their testimonies. Baptisms are held in the gun tubs of the ship.

Chaplains at reception centers preach to approximately 2,000 men every Sunday. Every recruit is interviewed by a chaplain, and many indicate an interest in Christianity for the first time. Often recruits make first decisions for Christ. At one reception center, a chaplain reports 73 conversions over a three-month period. Chaplains overseas report many converts and baptisms near the front lines and elsewhere. Everywhere spiritual hunger is evident. Converts to the Christian faith in the Armed Services are promptly related to a Christian church of their own choice. Pray for the 160 American Baptist chaplains and their work.



Light Unfailing

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister
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December 2, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack
Become as God; then ah! what joy is thine!
Thou drinkest God with every sip of wine.
- Silesius

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, No, 5 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING Selection 32
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
Silent Prayer
Assurance of Pardon

THE ANTHEM The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1:26-33

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE No. 362 (1st stanza)

THE SERMON "What Can We Expect of Jesus?"

*THE COMMUNION HYMN, No. 443 "Jesus Thou Joy"
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE THANKSGIVING
*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 356 "Blest be the Tie"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack

* congregation stands

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK. . . .

Today - 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship.
6:00 United Fellowship at the E & R
parsonage.
7:30 Prince of Peace contest at this
church.

Wednesday - 7:15 Worship and Bible study.

Friday - 2:30 Women's Organization at Via's, 90
Elmwood.

CALENDAR OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

December 7 - Women's Organization. (See above)
December 13 - Phyllis Beckley Mission Circle at
Byerly's. (8:00 p.m.)
December 14 - Nithfus Class Christmas Dinner and
party at the Church. (6:30 p.m.)
December 18 - Whatever Class Christmas Dinner and
meeting at Gabriel's. (6:30 p.m.)
December 19 - Church School Party and Program at
the Church. Motion pictures and a
visit from Santa Claus.
December 23 - Christmas Worship in the Sanctuary
at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

We are very happy to welcome the members of the YWCA
and YMCA Cabinets to our worship this morning.

Sermons during Advent will follow the general theme,
"What Can We Expect of Jesus?" The weekly subjects
are as follows - Dec. 9th. "Can We Find a Guide?";
Dec. 16th, "Can We Find Mental & Physical Power?";
Dec. 25th, "Can We Achieve Our Own Christhood?"

The Prince of Peace contest that is to be held here
tonight is one of three county contests. Its partic-
ipants have all won in local contests and will go
from here into district competition.

It is ours to offer what we can, His to supply what
he cannot.

Jerome

The Way Out of the Dark

The message of the Bible as "The Way Out of the Dark" is the Universal Bible Sunday theme for 1951. An impressive interpretation of what this means is the following translation from a Czecho-Slovak newspaper entitled "The Best Book."

"The best book is that which is the most useful. The qualities of a good book are the following: The book should be interesting, instructive, and should answer the questions of the reader. A book which has lived through some thousand years and is still loved, looked for, and read must be a good book.

"The Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is such a book. Do you know that, in whole or in part, the Bible has been translated into more than 1,100 languages and dialects? In the year 1950 one Bible society, the American, distributed, sold and granted in the United States 6,230,370 copies, in other lands 4,826,214, altogether 11,056,584, an increase of over 20 per cent during the year.

"The Bible should be read not like a novel, but like a letter from a loved person. For God is the greatest lover of man, and the Bible is His Word to us. 'For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' We are grateful to God that it is possible to obtain a whole Bible in the Czech language. We recommend to you most heartily this blessed Book—the Bible."



That Holy Book Shall Guide My Way

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James Stephenson, minister
Alan Geyer, student minister
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December 9, 1951
Morning Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

O son of man, to right my lot
Nought but thy presence can avail;
Yet on the road thy wheels are not,
Nor on the seas thy sail!

My fancied ways why shouldst thou heed?
Thou com'st down thine own secret stair;
Com'st down to answer all my need,
Yea, every bygone prayer!

George MacDonald

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 110 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE RESPONSIVE READING
*THE GLORIA PATRI

Selection 32

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
Silent Prayer
Assurance of Pardon

THE ANTHEM "Awake O Zion" Ashford
The Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 14:22-33

THE OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE The Doxology

THE SERMON "How to Find Guidance in Jesus"

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

*THE PARTING HYMN, No. 280 "He Leadeth Me"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

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TODAY 3:00 Junior Youth Fellowship
6:00 United Fellowship (University) at the
E & R parsonage.

MONDAY 8:00 Deacons and Trustees.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 Monthly business meeting.

THURSDAY 8:00 Phyllis Beckley Mission Circle at
Byerly's.

FRIDAY 6:30 Nithfus Christmas Dinner at the Church.

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Sermon - "Can We Find Mental and
Physical Power in Jesus?"

THE MESSIAH will be presented this year as the annual
Christmas Concert of the Glee Clubs, A Cappella Choir,
and Symphony Orchestra of Ohio Wesleyan. The dates are
December 14th and 16th at 8:15 in Gray Chapel. Free
tickets will be available tomorrow at Sanborn Hall
Office, News Shop and Campus Music Shop.

You will be interested in examining the collection of
Bibles on display at the front of the Church. This
exhibit has been prepared by Mrs. Carolyn White.

Holding His hand, my steadied feet
May walk the air, the seas;
On life and death His smile falls sweet,
Lights up all mysteries:
Stranger nor exile can I be
In new worlds where He leadeth me.

- Lucy Larcom