

First Baptist Church Bulletins and Order of Worship 1960

Missing several

The Lost Is Found

Some years ago a child wandered from her home and was lost in the woods of New England. At first hundreds joined in looking for her. But after several days most of them had given up hope and abandoned the search. Not so her father and a few close friends. They searched

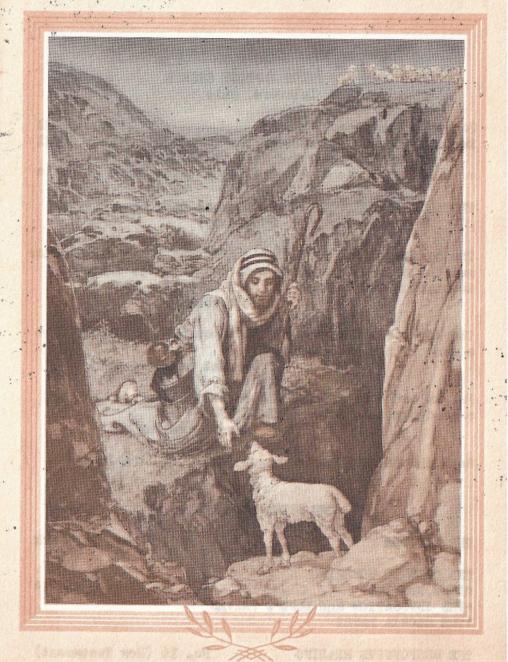
every part of the countryside, and they found her. They were amazed to find her in good condition, having survived even the exposure. The doctors had but one explanation. She had never lost her confidence. Her first words were, "I knew my father would find me."

The Gospel brings us this assurance about God, our Father. He seeks for those who are lost. How much is caught up in that word "lost," as Jesus used it! It speaks of our being cut off from God and from those to whom we belong. It reminds us of the times in life when we are dependent upon help from outside.

But the real news of the Gospel is that in our lostness God is the Seeker. Even in human love there is no rest until a lost one is found. How much more is it true of God's love! So, in Christ, He seeks us.

And when the lost is found, what then? Jesus made it clear beyond doubt when he closed the story of the Prodigal Son, "It was fitting to make merry and be glad . . . he was lost, and is found."

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The Lost Is found

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2nd Sunday after Epiphany ... January 19, 1960

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THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION (to be read upon entering the Sanctuary)

The contemplation of Christ's life and death gives other men the power, as nothing else has done, to overcome temptation and to lead lives of love like His. H. Rashdall

The Word of God became man that you also may learn from a man how a man becomes a God.

Clement of Alexandria

Put an end once and for all to this discussion of what a good man should be - AND BE ONE! Marcus Aurelius

Read about Jesus, think about Jesus, be like Jesus! S. U.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP *HYMN.No. 111 "Come Thou Fount" *THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER *THE GLORIA PATRI

No. 16 (New Testament) THE RESPONSIVE READING HYMN OF THE MONTH, No. 573 "Rise My Soul" (The choir will sing the first two stanzas, and the congregation will stand at the third stanza and join with the choir in the remainder of the hymn)

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON THE MORNING PRAYER

Luke 2:39-52

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO "They that Wait upon the Lord" Humphreys W. C. Wickum

THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"Are You Wasting Your Life?"

*HYMN, No. 346 *THE BENEDICTION "Take Time to Be Holy" Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Mrs. Hazen Young ... Choir Director Fred Grubbs Jr. Choir Director Edgar Ebenhack Organist W. C. Wickum Soloist Leslie Cantwell Chief Usher

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

6:00 Junior High Fellowship.

MONDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Bible study.

THURSDAY

8:00 "African Giant", color motion pict ure, sponsored by the Women's Soc-

icty. All invited.

SATURDAY

4:00 Primary Choir Robearsal. 6:00 Junior Choir Rehearsal.

Our Mission

A display of globes in the book department of a large department store was advertised something like this: "BUY YOURSELF A WORLD-PLAIN AT A REA-SONABLE PRICE, ILLUMIN-ATED SOMEWHAT HIGHER."

What kind of a world do we want? What kind does God want?

The world has been plain all too long; it has been plain in its misery, its monotony, its wars, its longings and insecurity. As we look at it now, the world startles us by its drabness and darkness.

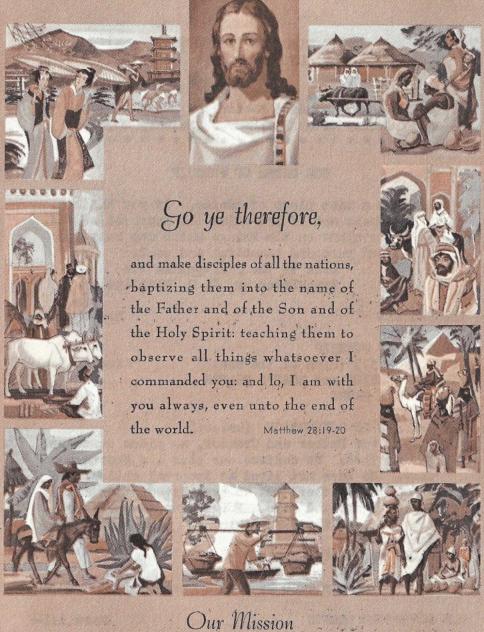
An illuminated world, of course, comes "somewhat higher." As we look at the scenes from foreign countries we know that the light will not come to them without a price. Christ came to earth to be the Light of the World, but even He could not cause His light to shine without the dreadful price of Calvary.

The awesome truth is that God has made it possible for us to buy ourselves a world either plain or illuminated. He sent His Son to make light available for every man, and He caused that light to be caught by each believer until he, too, was called "the light of the world."

We face the issue once more-an illuminated world does come higher. The sacrificial giving of Christians through the centuries in money and lives has put pin-points of light on a dark world. Pin-points, we know, are not enough. Until every last Christian is doing his utmost with time and talent and treasure the whole world will not shine with the Lord's glory.

What kind of world for you and your children? For me and my children? How much are we prepared to pay?

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3rd Sunday after Epiphany ... January 24, 1960

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Here is a last piece of advice. If you believe in goodness and if you value the approval of God, fix your minds on the things which are holy and right and pure and beautiful and good.

Paul to the Philippians 4.8

Paul to the Philippians 4:8
Translated by J. B. Phillips

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

*HYMN, No. 573 (Hymn of the month)
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

"Rise My Soul"

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, our Father and Creator, we place ourselves before Thee. We confess our sins and shortcomings. We have not lived as immortal children of a heavenly Father, but we have lived after our own thoughts and ways. Forgive us, and restore the image of Thy Son within us. Thru Jesus' own Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM

"Draw Thou My Soul O Christ"

Sexton

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:1-8

SOLO

"They that Wait upon the Lord" Humphreys
W. C. Wickum

*THE RESPONSE

The loxology

THE SERMON

"Change Your Mind - Change Your Life"

*HYMN, No. 324 (first two stanzas) "Have Thine Own Way" (Officers to be installed will come forward)

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

*HYMN, No. 324 (last two stanzas) "Have Thine Own Way" MCMENTS OF DEDICATION

*THE BENEDICTION
THE POSTLUDE

Choml Amen Mr. Thenhack

* Congregation stands

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS INSTALLED TODAY:

Deacon - W. C. Wickum, Harold Byerly
Trustee - Leslie Cantwell, William Wharton
Deaconess - Mrs. Nellie Dick
Board of Education - Mrs. Leslie Cantwell, Frank Syler,
Mrs. Fred Grubbs (already serving
unexpired term)

Moderator - Donald Faulk

Asst. Moderator - John Richards

Treasurer - Fred Via

Clerk - Mrs. Charles Eliot

Financial Secretary - Richard Lee

Treas. of Benev. - Miss Laura Wagner

Supt. of Church Sch. - James VanBrimmer

Ch. Finance Comm. - James VanBrimmer

Ch. Evangelism Comm. - Fred Grubbs

Asst. Treas. - Harold Byerly

Ch. Flower Comm. - Mrs. Homer Boblitt

Ch. Decorating Comm. - Mrs. Ernestine Frost

Ch. Music Comm. - Mrs. Ruth Brown

Board of Ushers - Leslie Cantwell, Chr., James Frown.

George Young



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February 14, 1960

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION (to be read upon entering the Sanctuary)

The following stanza is from a poem in memory of Lincoln, written by Thomas Curtis Clark.

To keep his people one; to hold thom true
To that fair dream their fathers willed to them,
Freedom for all; to spur them; to renew
Their hopes in bitter days; strife to condemn.
Such was his task; and well his work was done Who willed us greater tasks, when set his sun.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

The consciousness of God's presence comes when we are quiet in body and mind. "Be still," the Father says, "and know that I AM God."

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 252

"All Hail the Power"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE RESPONSIVE READING ANTHEM

"My Creed"

No. 5 (Old Testament)
Fisher

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 8:5-13

"What Disease Have You Got?"

Tourists and patrons crowded the vestibule of the Shrine of Guadalupe in Mexico City. The rain poured upon crawling worshippers in the church's square. Suddenly a ten-year-old Mexican lad accosted me with "Why are you here?" Simply I tried to explain I had come to see the shrine. Again he queried, "Why are you here?" So again I an-

swered. Once more came his "Why are you here?" The teacher instinct in me, verbally frayed, tried a final explanation. Waiting until I finished he blurted out, "What disease have

you got?"

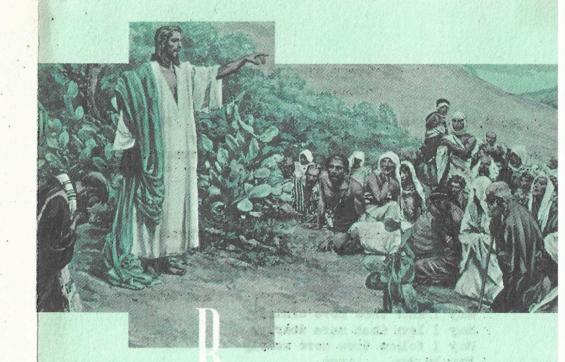
The haunting imprint of his words travelled with me. Indeed there are signs of sickness even in the "body of Christ." Caught in a culture whose bywords are "gadgets, gambling and propaganda"; whose communication is directed from secular press, radio and television; whose motivations stem from the reactions of others, "What disease have we got?"

From Galilee comes the answer! John 20:29 is an almost forgotten Beatitude. "Blessed are they that have not SEEN, and yet have believed." We who have forced ourselves to put everything into a test tube have fooled ourselves into believing that faith is the measure of things seen. We have sought our sense of well-being in split-level, two-garaged, threebathroomed houses. We have escaped into suburbia. Our conscience rests in an appearance at church. What disease have we got that the timelessness of God's revelation in Christ is not reflected more perfectly in us?

Is there not a Doctor in the household of faith? Blessed is he, who though he can not see, believes that Christ comes to save.

SUZANNE G. RINCK

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are the poor in pirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaver. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. . Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness; for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain nercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called son's of God, Blessed are those who are persecuted for righterusness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom o heaven. Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and

utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great n heaven,

for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

MATTHEW 5:3-12

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David L. Lehman, student pastor

Morning Worship February 28, 1960

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THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

Thanks be to thee, my Lord, Jesus Christ, For all the benefits thou hast given me, For all the pains and insults thou hast borne for me.

O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
May I know thee more clearly,
May I love thee more dearly,
May I follow thee more nearly
Day by day. Amen.
from Manual of Prayer

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack
Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary,
and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 135

When Morning Gilds the Skies

*THE INVOCATION and LORD*S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
Silent Prayers of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 16:16-34

DUET "In the Garden" Miles
Margaret Young, Fred Grubbs

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF THE AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING

W. C. Wickum

SOLO

"The Ninety and Nine" Fred B. Grubbs

Sankey

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON "There Is Always a Way Out"

Jailer: Men, what is it necessary for me to do

that I might be saved?

Paul: Believe in the Lord Jesus - that is, give yourself up to Him; take yourself out of your own keeping and entrust yourself into His keeping, and you will be saved!

from Acts 16:30,31

*HYMN, No. 308
*THE BENEDICTION
THE POSTLUDE

"O Jesus, I Have Promised" Choral Amen Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Choir Director....Mrs. Hazen Young
Jr. Choir Director...Fred B. Grubbs
Organist........Edgar Ebenhack

TODAY 6:00 Junior High Youth Fellowship,

MONDAY 7:30 Senior Choir Rehearsal. TUESDAY 8:00 Trustees at the Church.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Motion Picture - "Crucifixion and

Resurrection," followed by coffee hour.

THURSDAY 2:00 Alice J. Whittier Circle with Eliots.

8:00 Nithfus Class with Wickums.

FRIDAY 2:00 World Day of Prayer at St. Peter's.

SATURDAY 4:00 Primary Choir Rehearsal.

Our

Lord

The inclusive gospel of the universal church will never be learned until, on the lips of all, the word "our" is used more frequently than any selfish term. Herein lies the basic teaching of Jesus Christ that

"we may be one." When this lesson has been mastered, concerns and private interests will be forgotten and all to be remembered will be the aims and needs of the many.

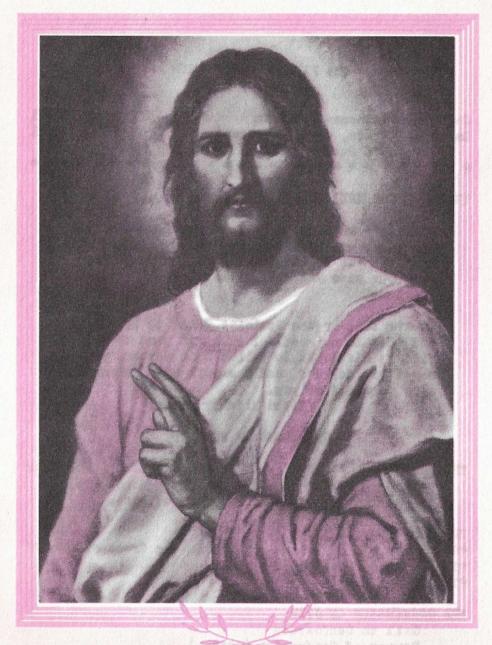
The first word of what we call the Lord's prayer embodied the outreach of Jesus. His aim to include all of mankind, not only in His prayer but in His life, is nowhere more revealed than in the word "our." His outstretched arms as He taught the spirit of the prayer took in the whole of mankind. Should His followers today do less?

But beyond the outreach and concern for the many must be the recognition of the source of all life and material. The divine is part of all of life and mankind must be able to recognize and trace the doings of the Lord in all things.

Wherever there is recognition of others and an acceptance of the divine there will always be revealed the symbol of our faith. Combine the outstretched arms with the upward look and there will be formed a cross. Only when all of mankind comprehends the truth of God, that at the center of the vital and triumphant life there must always be a cross, will we have learned to say sincerely from our lips and our hearts, "our Lord."

GRANT F. ANDERSON

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Our Lord



James B. Stephenson, pastor

David L. Lehman, student pastor

3rd Sunday in Lent, March 20, 1960

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8.9

We are told by the Psalmist first to leave evil and then to do good. I will add that if you find it difficult to follow this advice, you may first do good, and the evil will sutematically depart from you.

Rabbi Yitzhak of Gar

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack
Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary,
and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 235

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

*THE INVOCATION and LORD*S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession (unison)
Lord Christ, come to us and cleanse us. Cleanse
our feet which have followed the dusty paths of
our own desires. Cleanse our lips that have often

uttered unloving words. Cleanse our hands that have grasped at pleasure and our own advantage. Cleanse all our lives by Thy great love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

ANTHEM

"The Lord Is My Light"

Stoughton

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Juke 13:10-16 John 5:1-9:13.14

THE MORNING PRAYER
Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer Choral Response (Junior Choir)

SOLO

"He Was Alone" Fred B. Grubbs

Paxton

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxology

THE SERMON

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.

Romans 7:15,185,19

*HYMN, No. 294
THE TENEDICTION
THE POSTLUDE

"Rock of Ages" Choral Amen Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Choir Director...Mrs. Hazen Young Jr. Choir Director.
Assistant Organist..Fred B. Grubbs Organist.......Edgar Ebenhack Chief Ushor.....Leslie Cantwell

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Lenten Class, "The New Life"

Moved with Compassion

Near the end of the ninth chapter of Matthew we read that when Jesus "saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."

Here is disclosed an important element of Christianity—its bedrock concern for people. Read the four Gospels with that detail in mind and see how many times you run into it: Jesus' encounter with a blind beggar, a palsied man, a sinful woman of Samaria, a disreputable tax collector, a leper, crowds by the sea, five thousand people on a mountainside. In verse after verse you will find Jesus' compassionate concern for people and His tireless ministry to their needs.

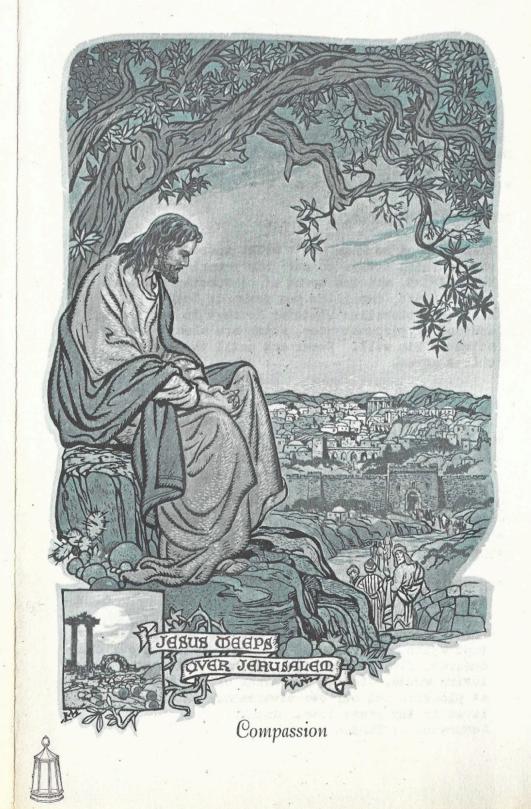
Except in numbers, the crowds one sees in the world today are not far different from the crowds in Jesus' day. Whereas in ancient Palestine they were numbered in thousands, in the world today they are numbered in millions. Their plight is very much the same now as then—landless, penniless, friendless.

You can see them in Hong Kong, refugees from Communist China, more than a million of them. You can see even larger crowds in Calcutta, people uprooted when India was partitioned to form Pakistan. You can see them in West Germany, in the Middle East, everywhere.

Now, how can we as followers of Jesus fail to be moved with compassion when we consider the plight of these multitudes? Indeed, the final test of our Christianity is not how loyal we have been to a creed, or how loud and insistent have been our professions of faith, or how much money or time we have contributed to ecclesiastical causes. The final test is how Christian—how Christlike—we have been. Surely one aspect of this test is how much of Jesus' compassion we have shown to our fellow men.

JOHN C. SLEMP

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4th Sunday in Lent, March 27, 1960

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

When we want to know God's will, there are three things which always concur: the inward impulse, the Word of God, and the trend of circumstances. God in the heart, impelling you forward; God in His Book, corroborating whatever He says in the heart; and God in circumstances, which are always indicative of His will. Never act until these three things agree.

F. B. Meyer

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary, and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 97

"Holy Is the Lord"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord Christ, come to us and cleanse us. Cleanse our feet which have followed the dusty paths of our own desires. Cleanse our lips that have often spoken unloving words, Cleanse our hands which have grasped at pleasure and our own advantage. Cleanse all our lives by thy great love. Amen.
Assurance of Pardon

SOLO

"Before the Crucifix"
W. C. Wickum

LaForge

Genesis 22:1-14

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer Pastoral Prayer

ANTHEM

"Lord and Master Lead Us Onward"
Junior Choir

Nagle

THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"How Can You Know God?"

*HYMN, No. 409
*THE BENEDICTION

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebonhack

* Congregation stands

Choir Director. Mrs. Hazen Young Junior Choir Director. Assistant Organist.....Fred Grubbs Organist.......Edgar Ebenhack

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOTAY 6:00 Junior High Fellowship.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Lenton Class, "The New Life," with discussion concerning the problem of unanswered prayer.

Next week we shall receive an offering of clothing for the Mather School, Beaufort, S.C. This is a Christian School for girls from 7th grade thru Junior College. Spring clothing is needed both for the students and for sale by the school. A bex will be in the vestibule.

Palm Sunday Meditation

The crowds that went before Jesus, on His entry into Jerusalem, shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in

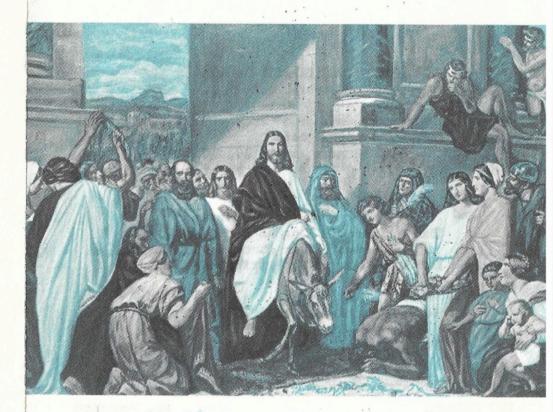
the highest!" Exclamation marks are the only possible punctuation.

In later times we have sneered at the fickleness of this crowd—praise, then a few days later denunciation. Matthew tells us there was really no unanimity even then. "When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying 'Who is this?" This was not the first time, nor would it be the last, that Jesus was greeted by an exclamation and a question. John heard of His wonderful works and asked, "Are you the one?" The people of Nazareth marvelled and asked, "Is not this man a carpenter? Where did He get all this?" Pilate, confronted by Him asked, "So you are a king?"

So too in our own time we proclaim to the world, "Christ is the answer!" But the question continues to come up, "Is He the answer?" The uncommitted ask it. Perhaps there are moments when the committed do also. What is it that makes our exclamations and affirmations authentic? It is the continual expression in our words, attitudes and actions of "the Way, the Truth and the Life." The test of authenticity is what takes place as a result of our exclamations. The crowds in Jerusalem were not ready to follow, in faith and costly discipleship, the king they greeted with praise. Are we ready today?

JOHN SAUNDERS BONE

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alm Sunday

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.

Motthew 21:9

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Palm Sunday, April 10, 1960

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

They hailed Him King as He passed by,
They strewed their garments in the road,
But they were set on earthly things,
And He on God.

He walks among us still, unseen,
And still points out the only way,
But we still follow other Gods
And Him betray.

John Oxenham

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebonhack

Worship bogins when you enter the Sanctuary, and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 230 There Is a Green Hill Far Away"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 11:1-10

ANTHEM

"Jorusalem"

Parker

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silonce

Pastoral Prayer

OICS

"The Palms" W. C. Wickum

Fauro

THE SERMON

"Strange Roads to Destiny"

THE OFFERTORY

"The Doxology"

THE BAPTISMAL SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3:13-17 Romans 6:3-5

SOLO

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"
Fred B. Grubbs

Bowring

NEW TESTAMENT BAPTISM

*HYMN, No. 312 *THE BENEDICTION "I Am Thine, O Lord"

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR, Mrs. Hazen Young JUNIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR,

Fred B. Grubbs

ORGANIST, Edgar Ebenhack

Receiving New Testament Baptism today are Edith Hall, Catherine Rey, Marion Evans, Larry Dickey and William Faulk. They will receive the Hand of Fellowship Sunday, April 24, after which a reception for them will be held in the Church School Assembly room.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

6:00 Junior High Fellowship.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Midweek service of Preparation for

Thursday's Communion.

THURSDAY

8:00 Upper Room Communion.

FRIDAY

12:00-3:00 Good Friday Worship at the E & R

Church.

A Lord and A Kingdom

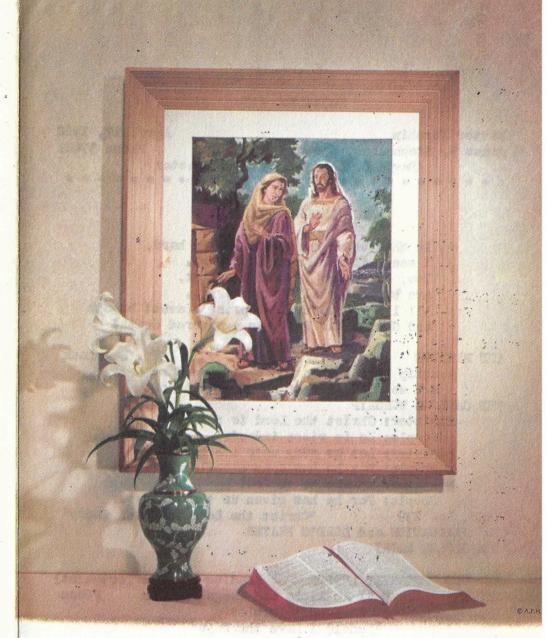
Christ's death and resurrection are really but one event. The Cross is inseparable from the Open Tomb. Of itself the crucifixion of Jesus is but one in a long, ghastly parade of horrible deaths. As a preface to the resurrection it stands quite alone as the one death which changed history.

This death dealt a death blow to death itself. For death was the fruit of sin, and the death of Jesus lifted the judgment for sin from the human race. Sin still stalked man and death still ended his days upon the earth, but a kingdom altogether new and wonderful had opened to him. Now, putting his trust in Jesus' death and resurrection, man could live in a kingdom of righteousness and holiness which, not of his own making, was nonetheless his as a gift from Jesus.

Just as John and Mary entered the door of the tomb that first Easter to discover death gone, so we can enter the door of this deathless kingdom. Death can still pursue us to a grave-yard, but then its power is gone. Because Christ arose from the dead, we who have placed ourselves in Christ's care shall also arise from death to an everlasting life with our Lord.

In a strange sense, this occurs while we yet walk the earth. We can live unafraid of death, because death has in fact lost its power. Chrysostom, the eloquent bishop of Constantinople, was commanded by the emperor to deny Christ. Threatened with poverty, Chrysostom replied, "My treasure is in heaven." Threatened with exile on a lonely island, he replied, "You cannot separate me from Him." Threatened finally with execution, he said, "My life is hid with Christ in God. I shall live forever."

Under this Lord we live in an everlasting Kingdom.



Easter

Easter Worship James B. Stephenson, pastor April 17, 1960 Phone 37021

David L. Lehman, student pastor

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In this brown seed, so dry and hard,
I see a flower in my door yard.
You, chrysalis in winding sheet,
Are butterfly all dainty sweet.
All life is warmed by spring's sweet breath
And Christ our Lord has conquered death!

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary, and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Christ the Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed.

Minister: Let us sing unto the Lard!

People: For he has done excellent things.

Minister: Thanks be to God!

People: For he has given us the victory.

*HYMN, No. 239 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading 15 (Old Testament)

ANTHEM "I Am Alpha and Omega"

Peace

Fred B. Grubbs

"Behold I Have the Keys"

The Choir

THE EASTER LESSON

Luke 24:1-11 Adams

SOLO

"The Holy City" W. C. Wickum THE EASTER LESSON
THE PASTORAL PRAYER

"Hosanna"

Granier

Fred B. Grubbs, W. C. Wickum

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxningy

John 20:19-23

ANTHEM

DITET

"Christ Arose" Primary and Junior Choirs TOME

THE SERMON

"Heaven Begins on Earth"

*HYMN, No. 256
*THE BENEDICTION

"Look, Ye Saints?" Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

* Congregation stands

Mr. Ebenhack

Choir Director...Mrs. Hazen Young Junior Choir Director...Fred B. Grubbs Organist...Edgar Ebenhack

Chief Usher....Leslie Cantwell

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

6:00 Junior High Fellowship.

TUESDAY

7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. Main.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Bible study. 8:30 Board of Education.

THURSDAY

8:00 Women's Society with Mrs. Daniel

Brintlinger.

NEXT SUNDAY

10:30 Holy Communion. New members will receive the hand of fellowship.

11:30 Reception for new members in the Church School assembly room.

We welcome visitors to our Worship. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

"...And When He Saw Him He Had Compassion"

The picture on the cover of this folder reminds us of the incomparable story of the Good Samaritan which Jesus once told. This traveler from Samaria came across a poor fellow who had been beaten up and robbed. While a Priest and a Levite, both religious officials, perhaps too preoccupied with their duties, passed by without doing anything, this Samaritan bandaged his wounds, took him to a nearby inn, and saw to it that he had everything necessary for full recovery.

What do we do when we come across someone who is in trouble? Do we think or say: "It serves him right, he should have been more careful"? Or are we so preoccupied with our own affairs that we just have no time for him? Or do we merely feel sorry for him?

Jesus said of this Good Samaritan that he had compassion. This is more than feeling sorry for someone; compassion means literally to suffer with the other person; it means to identify ourselves with him, to make his trouble, his sorrow, his pain our own. And from there it is only one step further to the next: to do whatever is in our power to help this person in need. This is what God did and does for every one of us in Jesus Christ. He has compassion with us, and thus the Son of God became one of us, sharing our trouble, our pain, even to his death on a cross.

Today, or next week, or next month you surely will meet someone in need of help. What will you do then? You will be tempted to pass by like the Priest or Levite. But remember what the Good Samaritan did. And remember what Jesus said, "Go and do likewise."

HERBERT GEZORK

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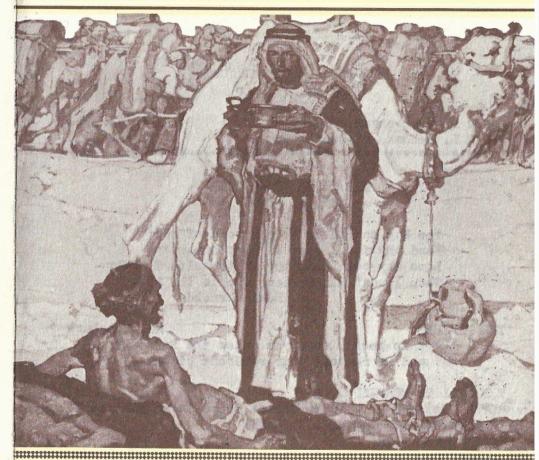


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... And when he saw him he had compassion...

James B. Stephenson, pastor David L. Lehman, student pastor

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP May 1. 1960

The Way to God is by the road of men: Find thy far heaven in near humanity: Love thy seen neighbor as thyself. Thereby Thou lovest Him Unseen, who is the All. Edwin Arnold

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary, and we request your reverent silence.

THE GALL TO WORSHIP "In Christ there Is no East or West" *HYMN. No. 480 *THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER *THE GLORIA PATRI

THE RESPONSIVE READING

No. 28 (New Testament)

SOLO

"Jesus Shall Reign" Fred Grubbs

Watts

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 2:13-17

I Corinthians 9:19-23

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

"Do We Need to Go to Hell?" THE SERMON (A sermon in conversation between the Pastor and the Student Pastor.)

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" *HYMN. No. 530 Choral Amen *THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Director of Senior Choir ... Mrs. Hazen Young Director of Youth Choirs ... Fred B. Grubbs Organist ... Edgar Ebenhack Ushers ... Leslie Cantwell. James Brown. George Young

Today's Sermon is an experiment in Worship. It comes out of the belief that Truth to often best discovered thru creative exchange of ideas. The Pastor and the Student Pastor publicly discuss a vital issue of our Christian Faith, you, the congregation, listen in anticipation, and the Holy Spirit works within us all to lead us into Trutha

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK.

6:00 Junior High Youth Fellowship. TODAY

8:00 Board of Trustees at the Church. TUESDAY

7:30 School of Evangelism. First of six WEDNESDAY sessions.

2:00 Alice J. Whittier Circle with Mrs. Bob-THURSDAY litta

6:30 Crossroads Class Progressive Dinner beginning with the Sylers.

Abiding Love

She was only five and the tonsils had to come out.

"I'm scared, Mummy," she whispered against my face as I held her closely.

"Of course you are, honey." The warm, brave world within me crumpled. Her heart was asking and my lips should answer.

How would I say that God's always with you—and Mummy's love—and Daddy's, too. She looked so small and fragile—so alone.

"Mummy," she asked suddenly, "is God like remembering? Is He like remembering my kitty and the cookies smelling good in the oven?"

"Yes, little one, He is." My heart was joyful. "He makes you feel warm and loved. He's always there."

"I'm glad, Mummy." she smiled softly. "I'm not scared anymore."

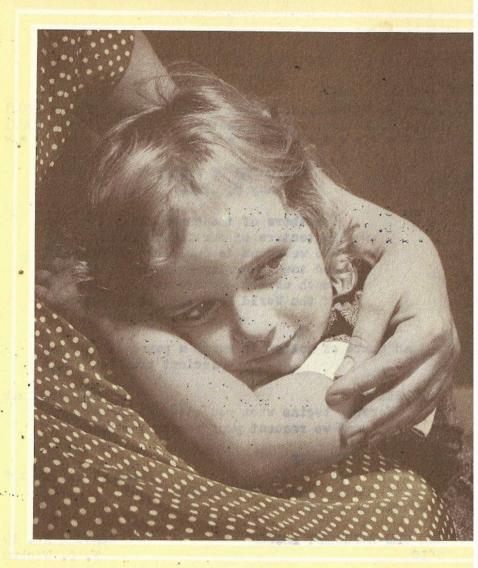
If only we could accept God's abiding love in this childlike way. God sent His Son because He "so loved the world . . ." And Christ, the Son, is He not the dynamic, moving portrait of love on earth?

God's love is not static. It is a living, breathing force which surrounds us constantly. It never fails. It is patient and kind. It bears all things. It believes. It hopes. It is everlasting. It is the real news of the Gospel.

Let God's abiding love surround you. Let it cloak you with kindliness and brotherliness. Let it weave a web of concern around you. Then there will emerge a new YOU—standing unafraid in the light of God's love.

RUTH CUMMINGS SANBORN

Mrs. Arthayer Sanborn, a professional writer, is the wife of the minister of the First Baptist Church, Nyack, New York.



Abiding Love

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP May 8, 1960

O mothers of the human race
Protectors of our infant years,
Who wooed us to our first embrace
And taught us laughter out of tears.
Teach us the gesture and the glee
Of the World Love that is to be!
Robert Whitaker

An ounce of mother is worth a pound of clergy.

Ancient proverb

THE PRELUTE Mr. Ebenhack
Worship begins when you enter the Sanctuary,
and we request your reverent silence.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 151

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Reading No. 19
SOLO W. C. Wickum

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 3:1-15
THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer Silence Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"New Family - Same Old House"

*HYMN, No. 520 *THE BENEDICTION THE POSTLUDE "O Blessed Son of God" Choral Amen Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Director of Senior Choir...Mrs. Hazen Young
Director of Youth Choirs...Fred B. Grubbs
Organist...Edgar Ebenhack
Ushers...Leslie Cantwell,
James Brown, George Young

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Junior High Youth Fellowship.

MONDAY 8:00 Deacons with the Byerlys.

TUESDAY 9:00 Spring Meeting of the Women of the Columbus Assoc. at the Licking Church.

WEDNESDAY 6:30 Covered Dish Dinner. 7:30 School of Evangelism. 8:15 Business meeting.

THURSDAY 9:00 Morning Circle at the Church. 8:00 Eva Shepard Circle with Mrs. Aleshire.

We are happy to welcome visitors to our Worship. Will you sign the guest book in the vestibule?

Background Scripture for the School of Evangelism: John 14:16-26 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Galatians 5:16-23

The above Scripture should be read before attending Wednesday's session of the School of Evangelism.

Our Citizenship Under Christ

The Apostle Peter, writing to the churches of his day, described the Christian fellowship as a free but responsible society in the world, yet not of it. A careful reading of 1 Peter 2:11-17 indicates that he regarded the followers of Christ as "aliens and exiles" who no longer belonged to the unredeemed order but whose citizenship was in heaven. Yet he did not imply that Christians have no responsibility to the state. Instead, he presented a dual claim upon their lives: "Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution. . . . Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God."

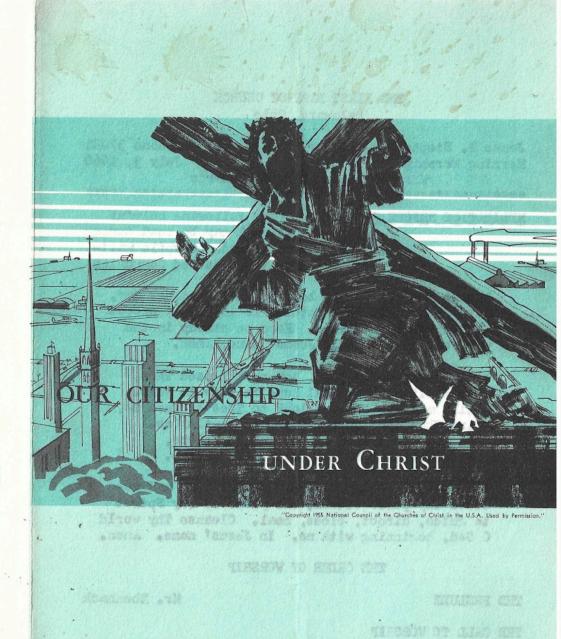
The dimensions of the Christian's responsibility to the state are marked out clearly. We are to live as *free men* who fear God and honor civil authority. Therefore we shall not allow our freedom to become a cloak for treason or unpatriotic acts. Yet our supreme allegiance is to God who enlightens our minds concerning the kind of responsibility which we have in our local communities and in the family of nations.

God is clearly concerned about the secular life. He has given civil powers a place in his providential scheme because of the sinfulness of mankind. He wants us to fulfill our divine calling as those who walk in the steps of Christ by living upright lives in society. We are not to withdraw from the human order of things, but to commend ourselves as godly men and women for the Lord's sake.

When we seriously ask ourselves what this responsibility means, we are at once confronted with a number of searching questions. To what extent do we actually assume responsibility for community leadership with respect to public schools, good government, and agencies for social betterment? To what extent do we regard this responsibility as part of our service to God and the church? To what extent do we stand for Christian values as we consider social and political issues which call for justice and human concern?

ROBERT G. TORBET

Dr. Robert G. Torbet is Dean of Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas.





James B. Stephenson, pastor

Phone 37021 July 3, 1960

Morning Worship

Worship Leader, Norman Edwards

MEDITATION BEFORE COMMUNION - (The following helpful material may be read during the Prelude or while waiting to be served Communion)

Loving Father, at the beginning of this new day, help me to know that nothing is important except my Communion with Thee. Keep me steady in the path of Thy love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

I only know, my Lord, how much I need Thee, That without Thee all hope in life is gone. Like a small child I look to Thee to feed me. And Thou dost answer me. Thou gentle One. Out of the deep I cry to Thee to bless, And Thou dost come to me in tenderness.

We pray today that all hearts will open and receive Thy power within; the power of Thy Spirit to guide. direct, bless, heal. Cleanse Thy world O God, beginning with me. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Come Thou Almighty King" *HYMN, No. 122

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 6:25-35

SOLO

Mrs. Hazen Young

THE MORNING PRAYER Call to Prayer Silence Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY *THE DOXOLOGY

"The Secret Sources of Strength" THE SERMON "I have food to eat of which you do not know." John 4:32b

"Do not labor for the food which perishes." John 6:27a

THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING *COMMUNION HYMN, No. 461

"Break Thou the Bread"

THE HOLY COMMUNION Invitation Prayer of Consecration Communion Thanksgiving

*HYMN, No. 476 *THE BENEDICTION

"Blest Be the Tie" (No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Congregation stands Mr. Ebenhack

CHOIR DIRECTOR.

ORGANIST.

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Edgar Ebenhack

NOTICE!! Reserve these dates for Vacation Bible School-August 1-12

WE ARE STUDYING James each Wednesday night at 7:30. For this week read James 1:19-2:26.

We welcome visitors to our Worship. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

Childhood

Norma was huddled in a disconsolate heap on the back steps of her home, her small head bumping the edge of the porch each time her body jerked with a sob. The terrible grief of rejection had come to her for the first time. The big girls of the neighborhood had refused to let her join in their game. She was too little—she'd "spoil everything."

Fifteen minutes later Norma's oversized tears had dried on a happy face. Big brother Tommy had come home, bringing her a sackful of candy. Now he was giving her a ride around the yard piggy-back, and glee rose from her throat in a series of squeals.

Sorrow, ecstacy, love, anger, reverence, gratitude—all the emotions of childhood pass so swiftly that we sometimes imagine there is no substance to them. Yet where is the adult who does not remember the bitterness of a disappointment in his sixth or seventh year, the joy of a gift when he was ten, or the deep wonder he felt when he first saw light streaming through a stained-glass window?

Childhood is the time of deep feeling, of impressions that come and go but last forever. It is the time when love must be learned and the nature of the world must be discovered as the plan of a compassionate God.

Blessed is the child who lives among "big people" who know his needs and who realize that what they do for him and to him will be unchangeable.

"Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them...."

MAE HURLEY ASHWORTH

Mac Hurley Ashworth, author of children's books and stories, is also Associate Director and Editor of the Adult Department of Friendship Press.



Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the hingdom of God.

James B. Stephenson, pastor Morning Worship

Phone 37021 August 14, 1960

MEDITATION BEFORE WORSHIP. . . . The following helpful material will open your mind for inspiration and prepare you for the rich experience of "worship in spirit and in truth."

Jesus said, "In my Father's universe are many dwelling places ... You know the road I am going to take I myself am the road." from John 14.

To know the universe itself as a road, as many roads, as roads for traveling souls.

O I could sing such grandeurs and glories about you! You have not known what you are, you have slumbered upon yourself all your life.

Your eyelias have been the same as closed most of the time.....

Give me this quenchless faith ... Belief in plan of Thee enclosed in Time and Space, Health, peace, salvation universal. Walt Whitman

> THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP "All Hail the Power" *HYMN. No. 252 * THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON PRESENTATION OF BIBLE SCHOOL CERTIFICATES SOLO

John 14:1-12

W. C. Wickum

THE MORNING PRAYER Call to Prayer Silence Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"The Open Road"

*HYMN. No. 396 *THE BENEDICTION "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" (No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands CHOIR DIRECTOR.

ORGANIST.

Mrs. Hazen Young

Edgar Ebenhack

Your pastor and family will be on vacation from Aug. 15 to Sept. 2. He may be reached by calling Ponerov. Ohio. WY25334. Guest ministers are: Aug. 21. John Menaggart: Aug. 28, Rev. Craig Reed.

Wednesday night Worship and Bible study will continue leaders are: Aug. 17, James VanBrimmer; Aug. 24, W. C. Wickum: Aug. 31. Fred B. Grubbs.

Thanks to all who worked to make our Vacation Bible School a success. Teaching were - Mrs. Rufus Crane. Mrs. John McTaggart, Mrs. W. C. Wickun, Mrs. Hyrtle Smith, Mrs. Robert Belt, Mrs. James VanBrimmer, Mrs. Charles Pettit, Mrs. James Stephenson, Mrs. Donald Faulk, and Mrs. Leslie Cantwell. Supervising for the Baptists was Mrs. Richard Lee.

"Members, Not Marbles"

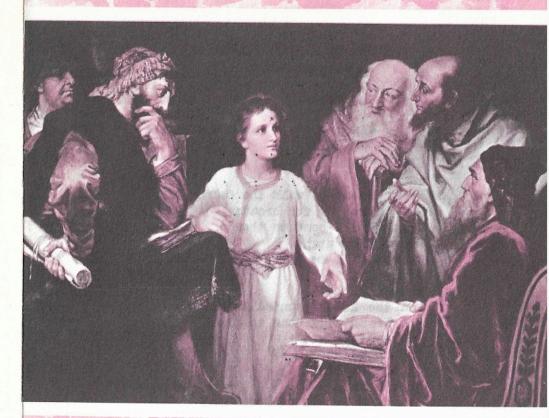
Elton Trueblood suggests that some church members are like "marbles in a bag." Then he reminds us that the word "members" comes from the same root as the biological term "membrane." A membrane is a cell in a living organism. It is alive. It interacts with other cells to achieve the purposes of the organism. Church members are not to be lifeless, inanimate "marbles." They are to be living cells, "membranes" in the body of Christ.

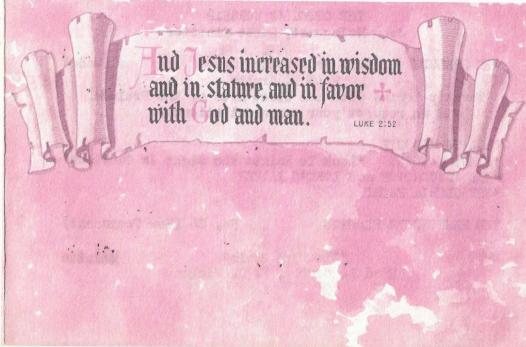
Members in the New Testament church had this kind of relationship. Paul spoke of them as "members one of another." Acts 2:42 describes typical activities of early Christians in these words. "And they devoted themselves to the apostle's teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayers." Notice that "fellowship" is bracketed with the "Apostles' teaching," and "the breaking of bread" is mentioned along with "prayers." But this New Testament fellowship was more than sociability. It was a fellowship motivated and enriched by the felt presence of the Holy Spirit. It was a fellowship in which love and forgiveness and concern for one another were experienced. Within these small groups of "brethren," Christians learned to articulate their faith and plan their strategy of witness to the world.

And now, what about you? Are you a member of a small group fellowship in your church? Is it a group that is conscious of the presence and operation of the Holy Spirit? Do its members have concern for one another and for the redemptive purpose of the church? Does it reach out to witness in the life of the world? Is it a community of love that is outgoing and sacrificial? Only if you participate actively in such a group are you a church member in the fullest sense.

KENNETH L. COBER

Dr. Kenneth L. Cober is the Executive Director of the Division of Christian Education of The Board of Education and Publication of the American Baptist Convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.





Phone 37021 August 21, 1960

Morning Worship

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MEDITATION BEFORE WORSHIP

Trees need not walk the earth
For beauty or for bread;
Beauty will come to them
Where they stand.
Beauty will come to them
In the rainbow The sunlight And the lilac-haunted rain;
And bread will come to them
As beauty came;
In the rainbow In the sunlight In the rain.

David Rosenthal

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
John McTaggart. Guest Minister

THE PRELUDE

"Air from Water Music" Fred B. Grubbs Handel

Worship begins with the first note of the Prelude, and we request your prayerful silence.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 256 "Look Ye Saints the Sight Is Glorious"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE RESPONSIVE READING

No. 24 (New Testament)

DUET

"The 23rd Psalm"
Fred B. Grubbs, W. C. Wickum

Malotto

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY

"Clair deLune"

Debussy The Doxology

*THE RESPONSE

*HYMN. No. 307

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

THE SERMON

"Our Triune Calling"

SOLO "When They Ring the Golden Bells for You and Me" Fred B. Grubbs

THE BENEDICTION

(No. 649)

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

"Cavalleria Rusticana"

Mascagni

*Congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR, Mrs. Hazen Young ORGANIST. Edgar Ebenhack

ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Fred B. Grubbs

The Church expresses its thanks to Mr. John McTaggart, our guest minister of the day. Mr. McTaggart, a member of our Church, is librarian at the Muchodist Theological Seminary.

Wednesday Worship and Bible study (7:30 P.M.) will be led by W. C. Wickum.

Guest minister next week will be the Rev. Craig Reed, pastor of the United Church of Christ (E & R).

Psalm 37

The Last Supper

The power of Christ makes a difference in this world!

A dreary drizzle fell persistently as we arrived at Dachau, Germany. The crude, low buildings were etched against a leaden sky. We entered the large room into which so many prisoners had first come. There they had been asked to remove all clothing. Some hopefully wondered if they might at last be given a bath. Then, on to the next room, where the ceiling revealed the pipes through which the deadly gas had been released. Next, the crematorium where the bodies were reduced to ashes. And then, outside, the mounds that marked the graves of thousands of unknown people.

Our Baptist Chaplain and I left Dachau for Berchtesgaden. There we met with more than five hundred Baptist men of the Armed Forces and wives. In the very hotel that Hitler had built for his Luftwaffe, we met to sing the praises of God. Where men clicked their heels and saluted a mad man, we knelt to pray. Where the swastika had flown, now there was the cross. They had hoped to conquer a world for evil; we prayed the world might be won to Christ.

Two divergent ways of life! The way of hatred, the way of love. The one saying, "The strong have the right to survive!" The other declaring, "The strong shall bear the burdens of the weak." One shouting about a super-race; the other preaching the love of Christ. At our last service, we broke bread together as Baptists of all backgrounds. For we were one in Christ and the Master loved all the same.

On this World Wide Communion Sunday, we affirm again that Christ does make a difference in this world!

HARLEIGH M. ROSENBERGER

Dr. Harleigh M. Rosenberger is minister of the Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan.

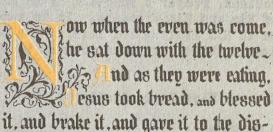








THE LAST SUPPER



ciples, and said, hake, eat; this is my body. Ind he took the cup, md gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, so Drink ye all of it.







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WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION October 2, 1960

When you take your seat in the Sanctuary, immediately turn your thoughts away from self and toward God. As the music of the organ provides a background for your meditation, become quiet, and in the Holy Silence speak to the Father within you.

Prayer is not calling God's attention to you and your problems, Prayer's function is to make you aware of Him and His presence. It is intended to open you to His healing and leading for God is more eager to bless you than you are to be blessed.

THE PRELUDE

"Ave Maris Stella"

Grieg

THE CALL TO WORSHIP *HYMN. No. 107

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*THE INVOCATION (unison)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 12:38-50

ANTHEM

"Lead Me. Lord" Youth Choir

arr, by Wesley

"Voluntary in D minor" Thiman THE OFFERTORY No. 422 (1st stanza) *THE RESPONSE

THE SERMON

"The Sign of Jonah"

THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING Prayer of Dedication * Response, The Doxology

No. 611

"They that Wait upon the Lord" Humphreys SOLO W. C. Wickum

THE HOLY COMMUNION The Invitation Prayer of Consecration Communion Thanksgiving

*HYMN, No. 476 *THE BENEDICTION

"Blest Be the Tie" (No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

"Andante Religioso"

Chopin

* Congregation stands

ASSISTANT ORGANIST. Fred Grubbs SENIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR, Mrs. Hazen Young YOUTH CHOIR DIRECTOR, Fred Grubbs CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. Wickum

Mr. Edgar Ebenhack, church organist, is a patient in Jane M. Case Hospital. He was injured Tuesday in an auto accident. His room is 214.

The chancel flowers are in memory of Mrs. J. Fred Gleich, and are presented by Mrs. Carolyn White and Peter.

TONIGHT - open house for OWU students from 5 - 7 P.M.

For to you is born this day...a Savior



The lips of the Christ-Child are like
twin leaves;
They let roses fall when He smiles
tenderly.
The tears of the Christ-Child are pearls
when He grieves;
The eyes of the Christ-Child are deep
as the sea.
Like pomegranate grains are the dimples
He hath;
And clustering lilies spring up in
His path.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

St. Gregory (951-1011)

"Silent Night"

THE PRELUDE "Night of Nights" Van de Water

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 205

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON
ANTHEM "Slumber, My Child Divine" Leupald

DEDICATION OF A CHILD

*HYMN, No. 188

THE MORNING PRAYER
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

"Patapan"

Brackway

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

"The Two Angels"

Anon.
The Doxology

SOLO

ANTHEM

"Joseph Dearest" Fred Grubbs Germas Carol

THE SERMON "How Christmas Gives Hope"
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they
shall be called Sons of God.'
Matthew 5:9

*HYMN No. 190 *THE BENEDICTION "Joy to the World"
(No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUIE "Postlude in C Major" Schweich

* Congregation stands

Age to Organist, Fred Grubbs; Senior Choir Director, Mrs. Easen Young; Youth Choir Director. Fred Grubbs;

We express our thanks to the Youth Choir for providing the anthems this morning. The Youth and soloist are accompanied by Mrs. Charles Brown.

As a significant part of our Christmas Worship, we dedicate Douglas Arthur Lee to God and His Church. Young Mr. Lee is the son of Richard and Evelyn Lee.

Regular midweek worship resumes this Wednesday at 7:30 P.M. Read John 3.

Lord, let me keep a Christmas heart, That hears and sees another's need, And strives each day to follow Thee In word and deed.

Christmas Eve

Bethlehem was noisy that night. There were jostling crowds, aggressive rudeness, shouts, demands, arguments and laughter. There were irritable shopkeepers and innkeepers worn from the day's pressures and demands. There was the revelry of reunions, the frantic preparation of unused rooms and meals for unexpected guests. There was the confusion of strangers in a town too small to accommodate them and the anxiety of a man forced to bring his expectant wife on a tiring journey.

And there was someone who thought of the stable and knew it would be warm, comparatively quiet and would

offer privacy.

Today's season echoes the crowds, anxieties, pressures, confusion and commercialization, while loud speakers blare carols singing of a peaceful, calm, silent night. If Bethlehem too was filled with the din and tensions of reality, when was the peaceful, silent night, sung about and cherished in hallowed corners of busy minds?

They were one and the same, for in the midst of strife there can be peace; in the midst of confusion serenity can come; one individual has value regardless of the multitude. While the material world may affect us physically, it can

not claim us spiritually.

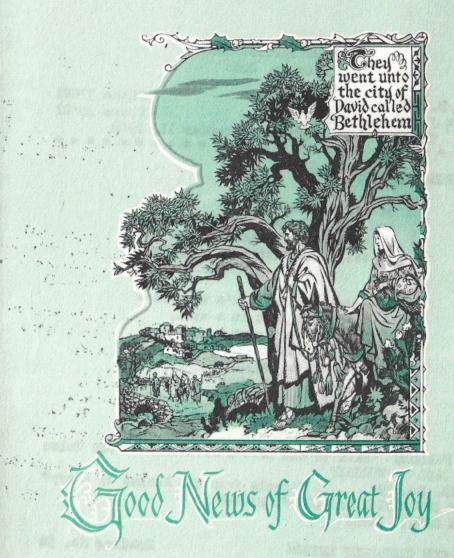
The birth took place in a stable not because Mary and Joseph rejected the world and sought a place to set them apart from it, but because world conditions affected them physically and its people concerned them deeply.

When the shepherds came, unannounced, interrupting the silence and peace that had finally come to the stable, they

were graciously received.

EULA A, LAMPHERE

Miss Eula A. Lamphere, formerly an editor in the Department of Literature, Council on Missionary Cooperation, is now a school secretary in Weedsport, New York.



Phone 37021 James B. Stephenson, pastor Phone 29821 Robert J. Welson, student pastor Third Sunday in Advent, December 11, 1960

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

Given, not lent And not withdrawn - once sent This Infant of mankind, this One Is still the little welcome Son. Meynell

Wonder beyond time's wonders -Eternity shut in a span, Summer in winter. Day in night, Heaven on earth. And God in man. S. U.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

van Hulse "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" THE PRELUDE THE CALL TO WORSHIP "Angels from the Realms of Glory" *HYMN, No. 192 *THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 50

SOLO

Fred Grubbs

(Accompaniment by Mrs Charles Brown)

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 5:7 Matthew 18:23-35

THE MORNING PRAYER Call to Prayer Silence Pastoral Prayer THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

"Stories of Jesus"

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HYMN, No. 200

"What Child Is This?"

THE SERMON

"God the Giver"

Blessed are the mericiful, for they shall obtain mercy.

*HYMN. No. 189 *THE BENEDICTION "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" (No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

"Others"

Anon.

* Congregation stands

Assistant Organist - Fred Grubbs

- Mrs. Hazen Young. Senior Choir Directors Fred Grubbs, Youth

W. C. Wickum, Children's

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

3:00 & 8:00 OWU Christmas Concert. TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

7:30 "Africa on the Bridge" - full color WEDNESDAY motion picture sponsored by the Delaware Churches.

8:00 Christmas Meeting of Women's Society at THURSDAY the Church. "What Christmas Means to Mo, " by Mrs. McTaggart, and "Meditation on Trimming a Christmas Tree, " by Mrs. Black Bring a guest.

The rose on the altar is in honor of John Lament Coulter, new son of Mr. and Mrs. John Coulter. Congratulation3 to the parents and wishes for God's best for young John.

Moderator Donald Faulk has appointed the following action atingcommittee: Mrs. Grubbs, Chr., Mr. Wickum, Mr. Lee, Mr. Wharton, Mr. Crane, and Mrs. White.

Once and Only Once

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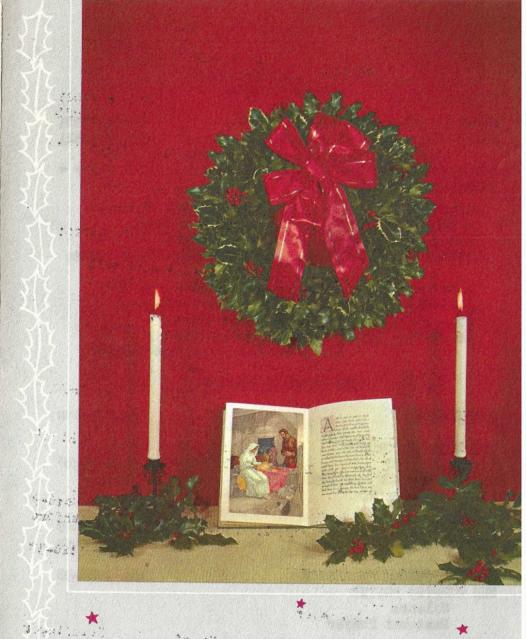
HERE has never been a story like it before, nor since. For only once has God become man to walk the paths, of earth. The prophets had foretold His coming, the angels heralded His arrival, and a few lowly shepherds surrounded His manger. But the great, busy world wheeled by without noticing.

But people began believing. At first, only a few disciples took Him seriously. They followed Him and heard Him. And they began to tell others. After the cross and the resurrection, they began to fan out into the Mediterranean world. He had ordered them to leave no nation unfouched.

Down through twenty centuries the word has gone—to reach us. We who stagger before the vastness of space and the fear of the atom—we too hear the old, old story of the coming of a Savior of the World.

Our fathers thought of the world as a flat disc sheltered by a canopy of sky and stars. We know the world as a little ball rolling about among billions of stars which themselves are rolling balls. But, like our fathers, we are still people who yearn for God, a God who loves and cares. And the Christmas story is as much an answer for us as for them. For what does space matter to God? Can He not love as well in a big house as in a small one?

Whether in the valleys of the Judean hills or in the vast inter-stellar spaces, the Child of Bethlehem remains the Lord of the heavens and the earth—and the Savior of our souls. He opens to us a Kingdom of peace where fear cannot invade nor death destroy.



Life holds no sweeter thing than this - to teach A little child the tale most loved on earth, And watch the wonder deepen in his eyes The while you tell him of the Christ Child's birth;

Life holds no sweeter thing than this - to tell
A little child, while Christmas candles glow,
The story of a Babe whose humble birth
Became the loveliest of truths we know.

(A. Love, from Christmas Ideals)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Grubbs

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 187 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 11:1-4a;6-9
ANTHEM "Noel Noels Ashfors

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
THE MORNING PRAYER

Luke 1:26-38

THE MORNING PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

ANTHEM "Birthday of a King"

Neidlinger

W. C. Wickum & Choir

THE OFFERTORY *THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

ANNOUNCEMENTS
*HYMN, No. 198

"There's a Song in the Air"

THE SERMON

Myou Can Know God"

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Matthew 5:8

*HYMN, No., 191
*THE BENEDICTION

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"
(No. 649) Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

-Mr. Grubbs

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships

7:00 Caroling by Youth & Crusaders

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Christmas Worship by Church and Church School followed by refreshments in the Assembly Room.

SATURDAY 11:00 Candlelight Service & Communion at the United Church of Christ.
11:00 Holy Communion at St. Peter's Epis-

copal Church. Your pastor will participate in the service.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School. 10:30 Christmas Worship.

> Come, let us cross the snows on Christmas Eve And, like the shepherds, seek the lowly shed Wherein the cattle and the sheep perceive A sleeping Child, their manger for His bed. B. Stewart, from Christmas Ideals)