



First Baptist Church Bulletins and Order of Worship 1963-69

Missing several

The Case of the Missing Hyphen

Why should Joe, who was university trained and heading for a promising and financially rewarding business career, have chosen to accept the position in the public relations office at a relatively small, not overly significant, church related college?

His decision was predicated on his burning conviction that higher education must be undergirded by Christian principles if the sacredness of human personality is to be preserved and the eternal purposes of God are not to be completely overshadowed by the limited immediate and earthbound aims of men.

More than once I heard Joe say: "If it hadn't been for my pastor and the church where I grew up I certainly wouldn't be here now. As a matter of fact, I doubt if I would even be a Christian."

How grateful we are for the pastor who, together with his congregation, influenced the entire course of Joe's life. Who was this pastor? Where did he come from? Some little church, quite insignificant in terms of human measurements, had sent him into the ministry.

Leadership for the church's outreach at home and overseas depends in large measure on each church taking seriously the charge to send laborers into the harvest.

Last summer, for want of a hyphen, a U. S. Atlas rocket and \$18,000,000 were lost. The hyphen was missing from a computer equation. The error led to the destruction at Cape Canaveral of a Venus space probe launch vehicle and its scientific package.

The word left unspoken, or lack of a planned program in local churches to send able young people into the ministry, may be compared with the missing hyphen which resulted in the loss of an Atlas rocket, except that the resulting loss may be more tragic.

Paul asks: "... how can men preach unless they are sent?"

When did your church last send someone into the ministry? Don't let your church be the "missing hyphen."

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Committee Life Service Emphasis

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Delaware, Ohio

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 20, 1963

Lord Jesus, who art Perfect Love, cast out of us all fear, all jealousy, all injured pride, all self-pity, all hatred, all condemnation and judgment of others. Be Lord of our hearts this day that we may become channels for Thy Love to flow into the lives of others. Amen.

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

Let us be silent in the House of God. If you must whisper; whisper a prayer.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 274 (Hymn of the month)

"Holy Spirit"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 44

*HYMN, No. 442

"Wonderful Words of Life"

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 2:41-51

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO

"Prayer"

Guion

W. C. Wickum

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"The Lost Christ"

*HYMN, No. 288

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Assisting in the leadership of our worship today is Miss Marcia Mead.

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

TONIGHT our Youth Fellowships will meet at the Church at 6:00 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal is TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M.

Midweek Worship, WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P.M., is an opportunity for an hour of quiet meditation and Bible study. You are cordially invited to share in this experience.

THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. will be a called meeting of the following committees: Building, Furnishings, and Kitchen. Also meeting with these committees will be the Board of Christian Education.

The Calendars are here! You may obtain your copy in the vestibule after the service. Cost is \$1.00 per copy.

NEXT SUNDAY is the beginning of Youth Week. Members of the Senior High Fellowship will share in the service of worship. Included in the service will be a number by a youth quartet and a solo by Fred Grubbs, who, with Mrs. Grubbs, acts as advisor of the Fellowship. Members of the Junior High Fellowship will share in the service the last Sunday of Youth Week, February 3rd.

A prayer for one who needs help . . .

O Living Christ, make _____ conscious now of Thy Presence;

Touch his eyes that he may see Thee;

Open his ears that he may hear Thy voice;

Enter his heart that he may know Thy Love;

Overshadow his mind, soul, and body with Thy Presence;

Transform him by Thy Life, Love, and healing Power.

Youth in Need

Seldom in all history have youth stood in such acute need of faith, hope and love. With the crisis of our times, a lack of personal relationships with meaning, the lure of our materialistic culture, and the complexities of modern living, it is difficult for contemporary youth to discover a life challenge and purpose. Youth are in need today!

Faith, hope and love are simply "words" to many. For others they are only hollow symbols devoid of true meaning because youth have not experienced them personally. In our complex society youth are thirsty for meaningful relationships with God in Christ as well as both youth and adults. Only as you and I personify faith, hope and love can such words convey meaning to others.

The cover symbols of the cross, anchor and heart are not the only symbols vying for the attention of youth today. Other symbols such as the dollar, the hammer and sickle, job security and retirement benefits, the automobile, sex, clothing and other status symbols of our world compete equally for the commitment of youth. Teenagers are in need of symbols with which they can identify and to which they can give their lives. Unfortunately, any symbol can become a god. Even in the Old Testament times the Hebrew people had this same problem of more than one god and more than one symbol which they worshipped.

At the center of every Christian's life should be the cross of Christ. It should be central in our lives as more than just a "symbol." Personal faith and experience in the Christian life provides for our understanding of love and hope. As "members one of another" both youth and adults can aid one another to discover meaning, value and purpose through the cross as youth stand in need of a faith and hope for the future motivated by love.

NATHAN TURNER
Associate Director of Youth Work
Division of Christian Education



Faith

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. . . . For whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists. . . .

HEBREWS 11:1, 6

Hope

. . . a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know that is the hope to which he has called you. . . .

EPHESIANS 1:17-18

Love

Love is patient and kind . . . rejoices in the right . . . bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things . . . never ends.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4, 6-8

So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

I CORINTHIANS 13:13

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP Youth Sunday, January 27, 1963

A Young Christian's Prayer -

Lord Jesus Christ, You who always have time for individuals, help me as I find my place in life. Enable me to do my own thinking, my own deciding, my own planning. Make me grateful for the love and advice of others, but lead me to see Your will in my own heart.

As I grow in accepting responsibility, keep me from pretending to be what I am not. Protect me, Friend of mankind, from the mistakes of pride and overeagerness. And grant me courage and joy in choices and decisions made in your holy name. Amen.

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Larry Faulk
*HYMN, No. 300 "Now in the Days of Youth"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER Barbara Haddix
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Reading No. 8

QUARTET Robert Haddix
"Jubilite" Russian Folk Song
Jeannie Brown, Mary Wallace,
Robert Cawley, Ted Stephenson

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 19:16-22

THE MORNING PRAYER Peter White Karen Mead

SOLO "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" Speaks
Fred B. Grubbs

THE OFFERTORY Gary Evans, Michael Linn
*THE RESPONSE The Doxology

THE SERMON

"Picture Windows"

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Mr. & Mrs. Grubbs
Mr. & Mrs. Wickum

*HYMN, No. 360
*THE BENEDICTION

"Are Ye Able," Said the Master"
Choral Amen

Edith Hall

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Our worship this morning is conducted by the members of the Senior High Youth Fellowship. In addition to those listed above, Kathy Hall, Ray Cawley, William Faulk, and John Mead served as ushers.

Next week, the last Sunday of Youth Week, our worship will be led by the members of the Junior High Youth Fellowship.

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

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible study.

THURSDAY 7:30 Furnishings Committee, Kitchen Committee,
Board of Christian Education.

Give me the love that leads the way,
The faith the nothing can dismay,
The hope no disappointments tire,
The passion that will burn like fire;
Let me not sink to be a clod:
Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God.

***** Amy Carmichael *****
Organist - Mr. Ebenhack Choir Director - Mrs. Young

What I Think of the Other Person

What I think of myself has just about everything to do with what I think of the other person. If I like myself too much, I probably will like him less. If I think too little of myself, my regard for the other man will not mean much.

The Beatitudes as they are found in Matthew 5:3-12, suggest what one ought to think about myself. These are wholesome ideas. They make a man honest with himself. They put the man in the position to be a good brother to someone else. When one thinks of himself as a son of God and yet is not proud but humble, he then becomes one whose brotherly feelings are true. As a spiritual discipline, substitute the words, "I am," for "Blessed are" in each Beatitude. For example, read "I am merciful" and "I am pure in heart," and consider what it means to be a "blessed one."

Turn this set of Beatitudes around the other way and see how these virtues appear when they are seen in the other man. We want friends who are poor in spirit, in other words, who are not self-righteous. It is good to have friends who hunger and thirst after a right relationship with God, and that means also a right relationship with their fellow man. The gentle virtues lead to brotherhood and the virtues that we sometimes think are the brave and mighty virtues often lead to broken relationships.

The last Beatitude makes more brothers than any other. People who are persecuted because of their relationship to God draw close to each other. People who are so far from God that they never suffer any of the pain of the cross will never know true brotherhood. The Beatitudes, lived carefully on Brotherhood Sunday and every day suggest the way to brotherhood among races and among all people.

R. DEAN GOODWIN, Executive Director
Division of Communications



Blessed are the poor in spirit
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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 mercy.

BLESSED are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

BLESSED are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

BLESSED are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of 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 in heaven,
for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

MATTHEW 5:3-12

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FOR YOUR MEDITATION . . .

Every time you sit down to eat a meal without a thought, word or act of blessing for those who are without food, you are a partner in sin. Every time you hold prejudice or contempt toward any race or class or nation, you are planting seeds of death and decay. Every time you harbor anger and resentment in your heart toward any living creature, you are pouring into the pure air about you poisons that will infect...Therefore repent of these crimes in which you are an unwitting and unconscious partner. Take upon your shoulders the world's vast sin of indifference, inertia and selfish complacency, and kneel to repent for all. Jesus, who committed no sin or folly, will bless you for sharing the sins of the world and lifting them up to Him.

Glenn Clark (adapted)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
February 17, 1963

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack

The Prelude should be a period of quiet meditation for all who seek to Worship in the Spirit of Jesus. The material printed above will guide you.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 498 "Forward thru the Ages"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

ANTHEM "Faith of Our Fathers"

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 9
Wilson
Mark 16:15-20
Matthew 28:18-21

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"Lifting the World"

*HYMN, No. 489

"We Would Be Building"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, Mrs. Hazen Young; Organist, Edgar Ebenhack; Chief Usher, Carter Scites.

WE WELCOME VISITORS to our services. If you do not have a church in Delaware, we suggest your participation in our fellowship.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETS TONIGHT AT 6:00 p.m. in the Church. Junior High advisors are Mr. & Mrs. W.C. Wickum; Senior High advisors, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Grubbs.

A FOOTBALL FILM featuring the 1962 All American team is to be shown at the Methodist Theological School Monday at 7:30 p.m. under the sponsorship of Carter Scites. All interested persons are invited to attend. Place of showing will be downstairs in the Men's Dorm.

CHOIR REHEARSAL is Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY IS an opportunity for personal enrichment and training in usefulness for Christ. WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p.m. Read Mark 8:27 - 9:1.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY meets Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the Church.

A CLASS FOR PERSONS interested in receiving Christian baptism will soon begin. Interested persons should contact the pastor.

SCIENCE HAS TURNED the world into a neighborhood, and now religion must turn it into a brotherhood.

Deliverance

"Who will deliver me from this body of death?" (Rom. 7:24) surges forth from the depths of Paul's being and speaks to the depths of every man, for who has not known bondage?

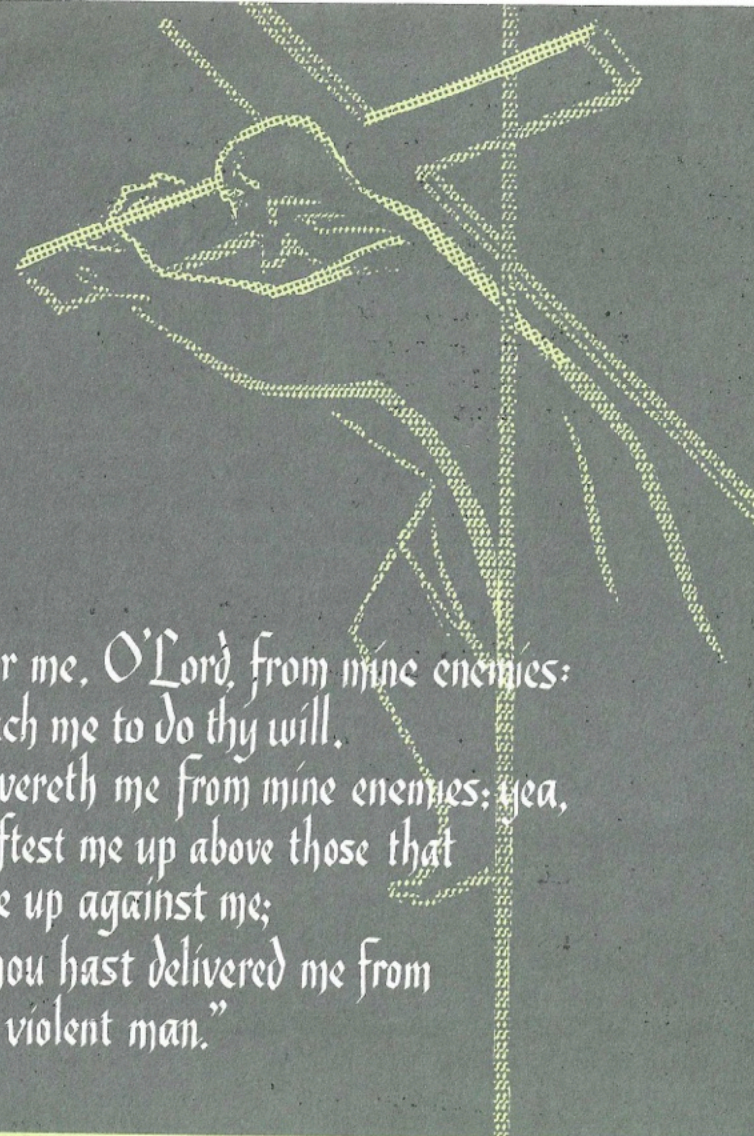
Who has not known the anxieties, doubts and hesitations of all insecure and uncertain men? Who does not share the bondage of a threatened humanity, today from nuclear testing, yesterday from screeching missiles, and tomorrow from . . . ? Who is free from sin?

The most disturbing thing is that the battle lines between evil and good, what is and what ought to be, the ways of men and the will of God, run right through the life of every person. It was this Paul felt. It is this faltering in that which one approves; this spending of self in that which one does not approve; this seeming failure in spite of all that gnaws at the soul of every sensitive Christian.

"Who will deliver?" asked Paul. But he answered his own question. "Thanks be to God." He it is who, in Christ, sets "free from the law of sin and death." Free, then, by the grace of God from the shackles and shadows of the past, a person is free to live and witness steadfastly to his Deliverer in our tortured day. He it is in whom the Christian hopes, who holds the time of men in his hands. Delivered from fruitless anxiety about the still-veiled future, the Christian is free to live in loving obedience in the midst of the demands of his days.

The Psalmist, too, cried out for deliverance and he added, "Teach me to do thy will."

DONALD F. THOMAS, Program Associate
Division of Evangelism



"Deliver me, O'Lord, from mine enemies:
teach me to do thy will.
He delivereth me from mine enemies; yea,
Thou liftest me up above those that
rise up against me;
Thou hast delivered me from
the violent man."

Deliverance

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 24, 1963

If you can sense the One in all creation
And see the face of God in every face
Without regard to creed or race or nation,
If you can feel at home in every place;
If you can sense in every beast a brother,
And see God blossoming in every flower;
If by no thought or word you hurt another
And fill with noble deeds the fleeting hour;
If all your thoughts and words and deeds are holy
And everything from highest motive done;
If all your work is based on service only,
You're getting near to the Divine, my son.
K. Browning

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

The Prelude should be a period of quiet meditation in the Spirit of the Master, Jesus Christ. The poem above is given to guide your thoughts.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 155

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 23

SOLO

W.C. Wickum

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 8:27-38

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"A Long Night's Journey into Day"

*HYMN, No. 346

"Take Time to Be Holy"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

6:00 Youth Fellowships.

7:30 "Behind the Iron Curtain," a discussion of his visit to the Soviet Union and the Balkans by Mr. Sherman Moist. Illustrated by slides taken by the speaker. Sponsors, The Crusaders.

TUESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 (A.M.) Lenten Breakfast for men and boys at the Presbyterian Church. See enclosed folder for details.

7:30 Ash Wednesday Worship. Special music.

FRIDAY

7:30 Senior Hi Fellowship Pizza Party at Hall's.

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 Church School classes for all ages.
10:30 First Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion.

Mr. John McTaggart is assisting in our Worship today,

Lent is a time of spiritual renewal. This implies the exercise of self-discipline in order to be a better disciple of Jesus Christ. Some suggestions:

1. Give up criticism (except self-criticism).
2. Give up smoking.
3. Go on the diet you have been promising yourself.
4. Read the Bible daily (you should be doing this all year, not just Lent).
5. Learn how to pray (prayer is both an art and a science).
6. COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL. You have a lot to learn!
7. ATTEND WEDNESDAY WORSHIP.
8. Arrange a conference with your pastor to discuss spiritual help for a personal problem.

Christ Makes Repentance Possible

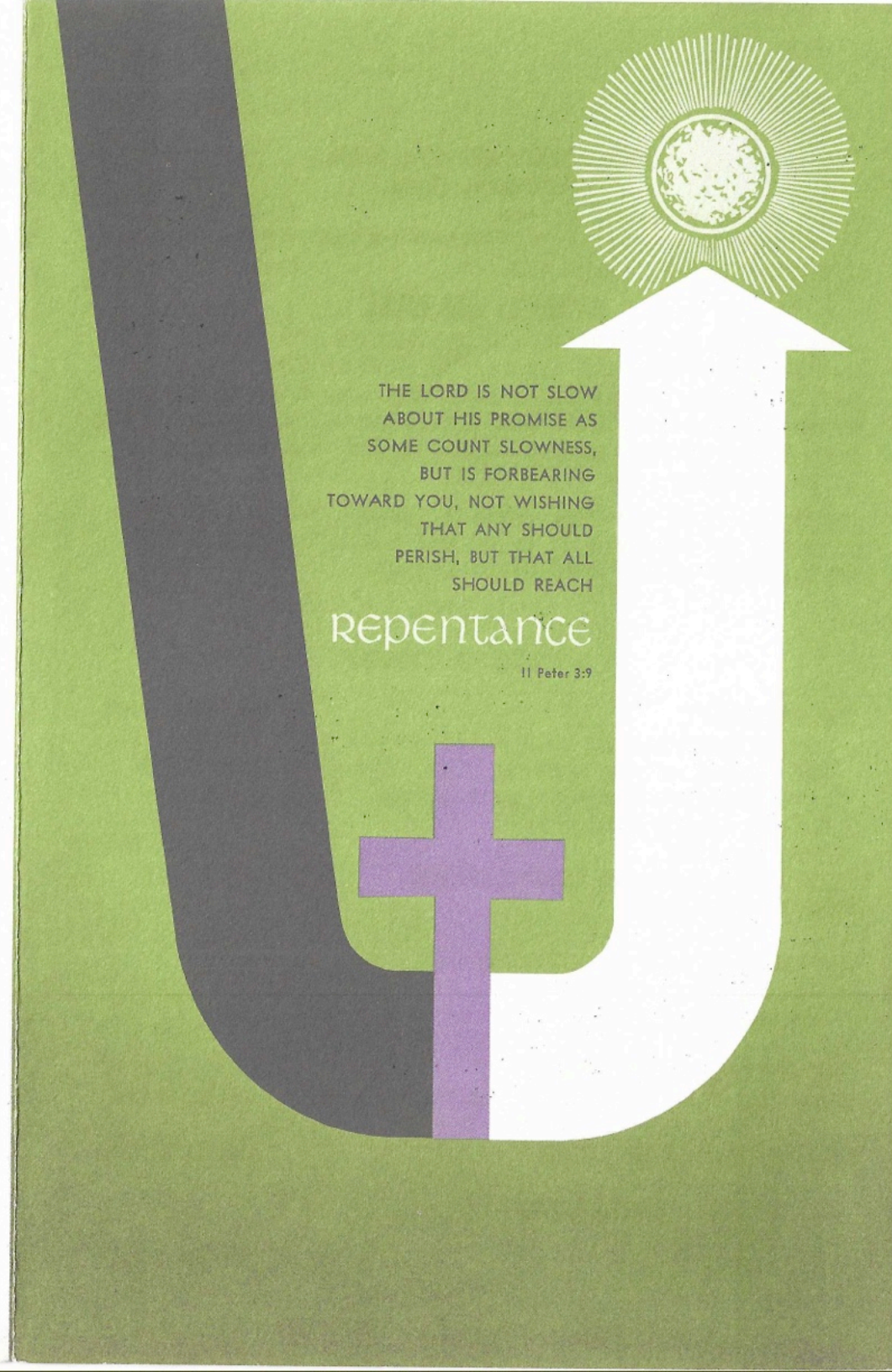
Repentance is to turn back to God and away from sin. It is to turn one's back to the shadowy world of man's making and to face the bright world of God's light. Leaving rebellion and disobedience behind us, we begin life anew in Christ.

For Jesus Christ makes repentance possible. The Old Testament prophets recognized that true repentance is beyond human powers. So tragic is our estrangement from God's purpose that we can never restore the relationship, even with the best of spiritual bootstraps. The miracle of repentance is made possible by God's redeeming love.

In Jesus Christ the time of redemption has come. Where once repentance was only a demand, it has become a real possibility. For what was once impossible with men is now made possible by God in Jesus Christ.

This awareness that Christ makes repentance a live option should make believers enthusiastic evangelists. We need to reach men with this compelling good news that Jesus Christ has made it possible for us to turn from our shadowy existence into the real life of God's world.

REV. JOSEPH D. BAN
Division of Evangelism
American Baptist Home Mission Societies



THE LORD IS NOT SLOW
ABOUT HIS PROMISE AS
SOME COUNT SLOWNESS,
BUT IS FORBEARING
TOWARD YOU, NOT WISHING
THAT ANY SHOULD
PERISH, BUT THAT ALL
SHOULD REACH

repentance

II Peter 3:9

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MORNING WORSHIP, 10:30 A.M.

March 10, 1963

THOUGHTS ARE WINGS

Forgiveness is cleansing and healing in its effect. When we release resentment and hurts, when we free other persons from any criticism or condemnation, when we say to anyone or anything that has caused us unhappiness, "I forgive you," we feel a freedom and a joy that can come to us in no other way.

A Prayer - Let liberty, justice, peace, love, and understanding be established in me and throughout the world, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

from Daily Word

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

The Prelude should be a quiet period of meditation in the Spirit of the Master. The "thoughts" printed above can give wings to your life.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 281

"Jesus Calls Us"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

A MOMENT OF SELF-EXAMINATION

Silence

Prayer for Purity

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

SOLO

"Let this Mind Be in You"

Reading No. 17

Humphreys

W. C. Wickum

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 12:13-31

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"The Long Voyage Home"

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, No. 171

"This Is My Father's World"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands

Organist, Edgar Ebenhack; Choir Director, Mrs. Hazen Young; Chief Usher, Carter Scites.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

MONDAY 7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. Smith.

TUESDAY 7:45 Bible Institute of Christian Service.
Radnor Baptist Church.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Lenten Worship.
8:30 Business Meeting.

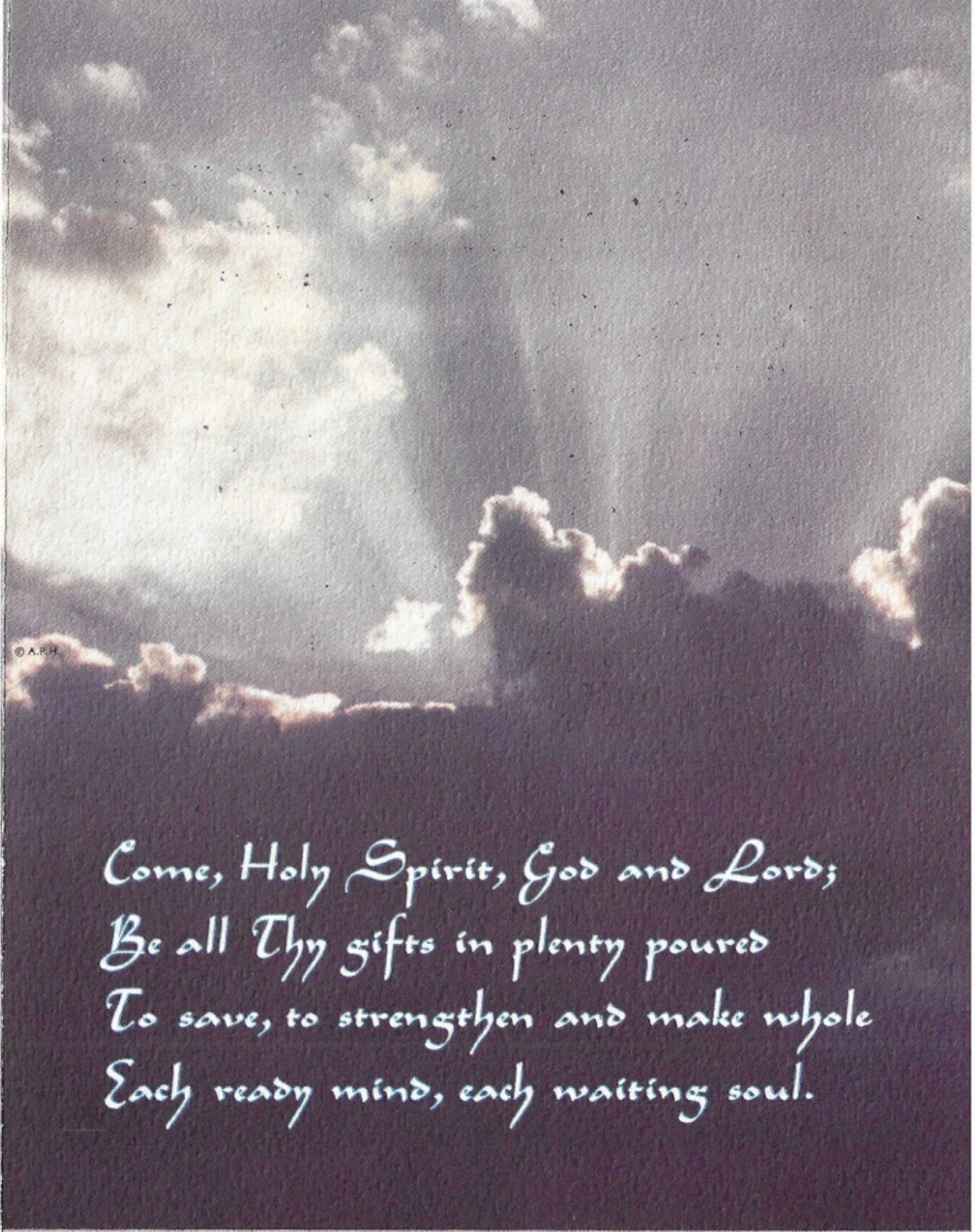
THURSDAY 9:00 Morning Circle with Mrs. Pettit.
2:00 Whittier Circle with Mrs. Main.

SATURDAY 4:00 Membership Class for Youth.
5:15 Membership for Adults.

An important letter will be given to you at the close of this morning's service. Read it with care.

A REMINDER FOR ALL MEN - Laymen's Breakfast. See folder in the vestibule.

Books for use in the Bible Institute are available and may be obtained after service.



*Come, Holy Spirit, God and Lord;
Be all Thy gifts in plenty poured
To save, to strengthen and make whole
Each ready mind, each waiting soul.*



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Morning Worship

THOUGHTS ARE WINGS

March 31, 1963

I've always felt that He who died for men
Wants not the servile pose, the bended knee,
But wants His own to walk with Him again
As did the men of yore in Galilee;
Prefers the title Brother, Neighbor, Friend
To that of King, whom men adore yet fear;
Prefers to walk in humble ways and lend
Encouragement and helpfulness and cheer.

I think we should not worship Him as one
Who dwells apart in some far-shining star;
He's one who helps in trouble, shares in fun,
And feels our heartthrobs every place we are,
And drinks with us the sweet or bitter cup;
And if perchance we fall He helps us up!

Lida Marie Erwin

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mr. Ebenhack

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 272

"Spirit of God"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

MOMENT OF SELF-EXAMINATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 6

ANTHEM

The Choir

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 1:1-11

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO

W. C. Wickum

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"Why Christ Died"

*HYMN, No. 274

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

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Chief Usher,

Choir Director,

Edgar Ebenhack

Carter Scites

Mrs. Hazen Young

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. Elmer VanBrimmer.

8:45 Deacons with W. C. Wickum.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Lenten Worship with the Zion A.M.E. Church, S. Washington. Music by Grubbs and Wickum. Meditation by pastor.

THURSDAY 8:00 Crossroads Class. Surprise program.

NEXT SUNDAY 8:00 Easter Cantata, "Hosanna!" presented by the Choir of the Chicago Avenue Christian Church, Columbus, directed by Fred Grubbs. Refreshments. Sponsored by the Crusaders Class. An offering will be received.

LOOKING AHEAD - Maundy Thursday Upper Room Communion;
April 11th. Baptism, Easter Sunday night.

The America for Christ offering is still open for contributions.

Worship leader today is Miss Barbara Haddix.

Have you looked into the educational building recently?
If not, take a moment and see the PROGRESS.

The bulletins used today are a gift of Mrs. Ernestine Frost.

"A Future Beyond Calculation"

America is a nation of colleges. Our country owes the founding of many of these colleges to her churches. The churches continue to undergird the colleges, especially the Christian ones, and to encourage their young people to attend them.

For many years now Baptists have set aside a definite Sunday to be known as Baptist Education Day. In West Virginia, this Sunday is more commonly known as A-B Sunday. What we *call* this Sunday is not important, but what we *do* because of it, is important!

In 1953, President Dwight D. Eisenhower said of the small liberal arts colleges in America, "Already they have contributed much to the American way. Their potential contributions to the country's future are beyond calculation. . . ." We feel this describes Alderson-Broaddus—her future is "beyond calculation!"

Building on the important traditions of the past, and believing that the Christian college has a mission in today's world to both the academic and the Christian community, A-B is moving into the future with boldness and with faith. Already the faculty and trustees have offered a new program which will make possible an enrollment of 1100 students, most of whom will be in classes on campus, while others are engaged in off-campus experiences, either overseas among other cultures, or in service projects in industry, the arts, and professions.

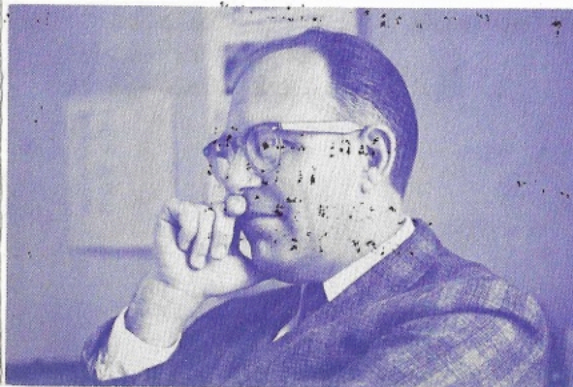
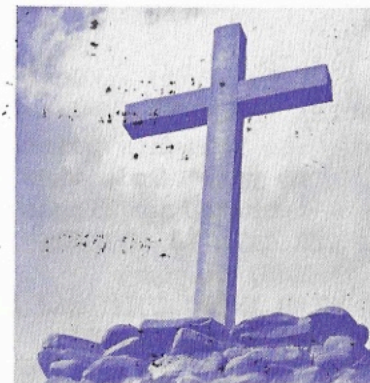
In order to achieve this program of academic depth and enrichment the College will go on a year-round quarter plan in September 1964, will increase its faculty, reorganize the entire curriculum, and build additional facilities.

Alderson-Broaddus sees in this program "a future beyond calculation" because it will give breadth to the individual's preparation to live, work, and witness in the world of his generation. It will involve the church, the community, industry, and the professions, along with the College, in the education of young people. This new program is dedicated to the service of the students who enroll at A-B and to the churches from which they come but, most of all, to this nation and to a world in which the Christian college gives her witness.



Alderson- Broaddus College

*Philippi,
West Virginia*



an American
Baptist liberal
arts college

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April 28, 1963

THOUGHTS ARE WINGS

Success is finding out what God wants you to do and doing it.

In the Kingdom of Love and Faith, the way to the top is to start at the bottom as a little child. We kneel to rise, bend low in service to stand tall as sons of God.
Donald Kauffman (adapted)

At its highest and best, prayer is a weapon - the most powerful weapon a Christian has in a world where evil often seems to triumph. Used by ordinary people like you and me, it can turn the scales in favor of a hopelessly weak minority.

Alan Redpath

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ebenhack
The Thoughts printed above are intended to lend wings to your mind, thus lifting you from the realm of problems to the Kingdom of Peace.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, No. 165 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Reading No. 31
ANTHEM "Praise We Our God" Vulpius
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 7:7-11
Mark 10:28-31

THE MORNING PRAYER
Call to Prayer
Silence
Pastoral Prayer

SOLO

"Truth"
W. C. Wickam

Humphreys

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON "In the Beginning"
"...And God saw that it was Good." Genesis 1

*HYMN, No. 171 "This Is My Father's World"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack

* Congregation stands
Assisting in the leadership of our Worship today is Miss Jeannie Brown.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Worship and Bible study.
8:30 Board of Christian Education.

THURSDAY 6:30 Progressive Dinner, Crossroads Class.
Meet first with the McTaggarts.

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Holy Communion and reception of new members.

To remember - May 8, Leadership Training Day for the women of the Marion Association at our Church - 9:30 until 3:00 P.M.

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Choir Director - Mrs Hazen Young
Organist - Edgar Ebenhack
Chief Usher - Carter Scites

Lorraine

She was a lovely young teenager with dark, beautifully-kept hair. She greeted everyone with a smile and with joy in her low, musical voice. Lorraine gave everyone a "lift" of spirit as she walked with courage through a day's activities. She was blind. But that never daunted this girl.

All her school years were spent in a resident state school for the blind, located across the street from the First Baptist Church. Lorraine and dozens of her school mates attended Sunday Church School, morning worship, and weekday religious education classes in that church. Church members took the young people on outings, to concerts and to plays. When it was their turn, the boys and girls at the school were hosts at an athletic meet in their gym, or at a splash party in the school pool, or they put on elaborate plays in the auditorium for their friends and the community.

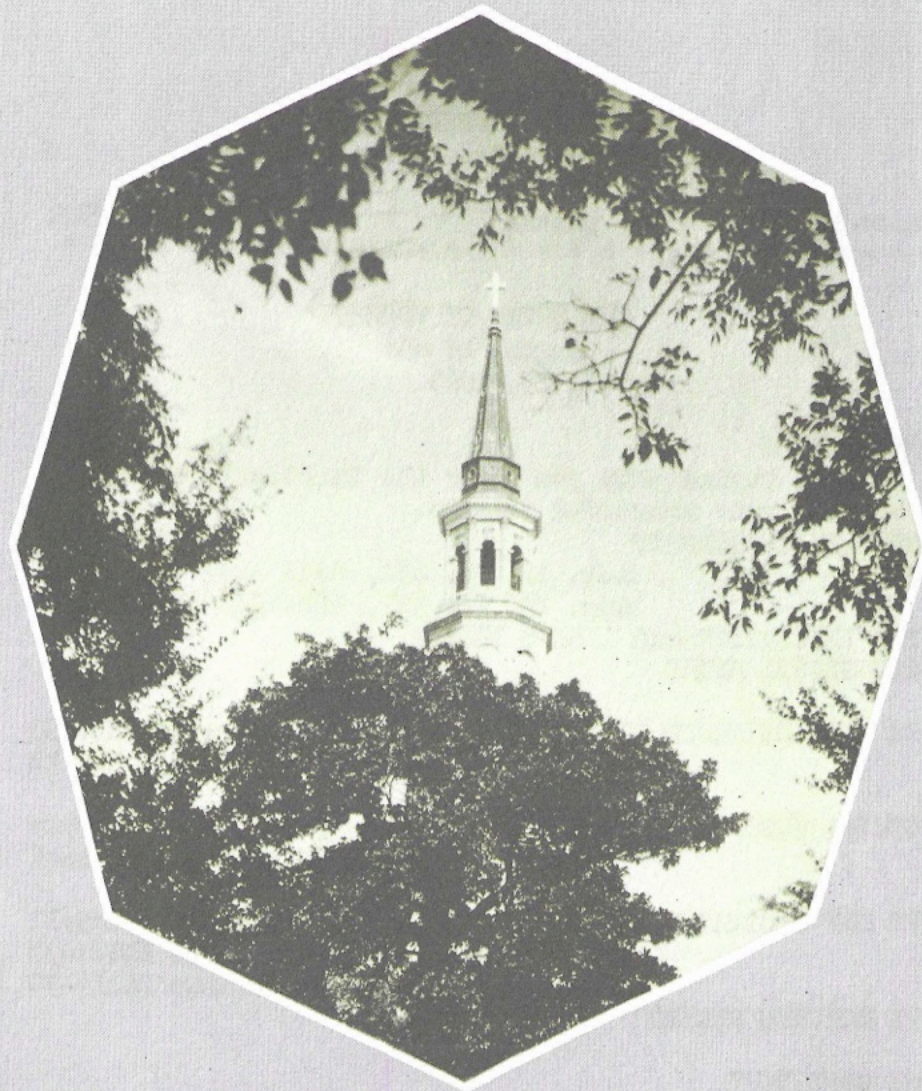
Lorraine had exceptional talent in music. She put in many practice hours on piano and organ. She was invited to present an organ concert at the church and for it she practiced in the huge sanctuary day after day.

On Sunday mornings, two third-graders would "call" for Lorraine in the high school class upstairs and take her to their department where she not only accompanied all their songs but taught the boys and girls some songs herself. They loved her. When the music moments of their schedule were ended, two other children escorted their beloved friend back to her class.

Lorraine graduated from her school. Her home community upstate saw to it that she had a good position playing an organ there.

Does your church minister to persons of special need and do you include them in your own group?

CAROL JEAN STIFLER
Assistant Editor
Department of Publications and Communications
American Baptist Home Mission Societies



For now we see through a glass,
darkly; but then face to face: now
I know in part; but then shall I know
even as also I am known.

I CORINTHIANS 13:12

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
August 18 and
25, 1963

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

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN Aug. 18, No. 252, "All Hail the Power"
Aug. 25, No. 533, "Heralds of Christ"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Aug. 18, No. 33
Aug. 25, No. 12

SPECIAL MUSIC Aug. 18, "My God and I," W. C. Wickum
Aug. 25, To be Announced

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Aug. 18, Philippians 2:9-11
Luke 10:25-37
Aug. 25, Matthew 25:14-30

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY
*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON Aug. 18, "Christ, Lord of My Life"
Mrs. Helen Aleshire
Aug. 25, "It Ain't What You Got,
It's the Way that You Use It"
W. C. Wickum

*HYMN Aug. 18, No. 308, "O Jesus I Have Promised"
Aug. 25, No. 304, "Living for Jesus"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ebenhack
* Congregation stands

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ORGANIST, Edgar Ebenhack
CHIEF USHER, Carter Scites

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Worship and Bible Study
Aug. 14, Mrs. Rufus Crane
Aug. 21, at the Zion A.M.E. Church
Aug. 28, Miss Laura Wagner

Appreciation is expressed to Mrs. Aleshire and Mr. Wickum
for bringing the morning sermons.

Thanks to our Wednesday Worship leaders, Mrs. Crane and
Miss Wagner, for leading our Bible study.

Persons desiring transportation to the Zion Church may
contact the VanBrimmers, 362-1331.

Your pastor may be reached by calling Pomeroy, Ohio,
WY 25334.

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

Thy Will Be Done

At least once a day we pray, "Thy will be done" but what are we doing to implement our prayers? Do we consider that we have done our duty once we have prayed that God's will may be done on earth? What many of us seem to mean is that we won't stand in God's way.

In the garden of Gethsemane Jesus sought God through prayer. His own example illustrated what it meant to pray, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." It was in the words, "Nevertheless, not as I will but as Thou wilt," that Jesus evidenced His great faith in God and His willingness to make any sacrifice that was necessary for God's will to be done on earth. He placed himself in God's hands. He told His Father of His own desires but acknowledged that God's will should prevail.

Each time we seek God through the Lord's prayer are we prepared to make whatever sacrifice is necessary to implement our prayer? Are we placing ourselves in God's hands?

Absolute trust in God—in His love and concern for us—will enable us to be true servants of God. Only by acknowledging that all we are and have belongs to God, can we mean what we say when we pray, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

CLIFFORD P. MACDONALD, Secretary of Production
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
March 15, 1964

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

Worship begins with the first note of the organ. If
you must whisper, whisper a prayer.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 235

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 6

ANTHEM "O Christ in Still Gethsemane"

Price

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Corinthians 15:3-26

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO

"Were You There?"
Mrs. Jean Dean

Spiritual

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

THE SERMON

"First Fruits and Harvest"

*HYMN, No. 324

"Have Thine Own Way"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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Chief Usher, Carter Scites

I wish to thank all the good folks at First Baptist for upholding me in prayer during my recent surgery. Many have said that it is a miracle that I am here. I believe the miracle was the faith of many who by their prayers and supplications to God brought about His hovering presence as I lay in His Hands the week of surgery. All the many cards and notes were deeply appreciated. After 32 days in the hospital I am now at home for at least a two month convalescent period. I trust that soon I may be able to worship with you.

John B. McTaggart

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

6:00 Youth Fellowships.

6:30 Shepard Circle with Mrs. Belt.

TUESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. Main.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Bible study and prayer.

8:45 Parish Council.

SATURDAY

8:00 Crusader Class with the Grubbs.

Church membership is open to those professing faith in Jesus Christ, and who 1) receive Christian Baptism, or 2) are members of a Christian Church.

A membership class is being held each Saturday at 4:30 P.M. Your participation is invited.

Today is your last opportunity to sign up for a class in Christian Witnessing in preparation for the Billy Graham Crusade.

We welcome all visitors to our Worship.

The Good Seed

To get a good crop, a farmer must sow good seed. It is a primary requirement. What is more, it is a law of nature from which there is no deviation.

In the spiritual world a similar law operates. This is made abundantly clear in the parable of the tares among the wheat. In the parable of the sower we learn that the good seed is the Word of God. That is the seed which must be sown if there is to be an abundant harvest in God's Kingdom.

At times segments of the Christian Church have almost forgotten that the Word of God is the good seed. Certainly it is not always considered the only good seed. But whatever substitute seed is used, the results are always disastrous. That is true of churches at home as well as abroad on the mission fields. And the reason is obvious.

Philosophy, science, economics, education, agriculture have all contributed greatly to the material progress and well-being of man. But none of them can in and by itself contribute the least to the salvation of man's soul. They are all devoid of spiritual power. The word alone is effective in the spiritual realm. Only the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a power of God unto salvation for those who believe.

So precious a seed is the Word of God. So important its sowing. Wherever it is sown; in the home, in the Sunday or Vacation Church School, from the pulpit and lecture platform, God is certain to give it growth. The harvest shall never be in doubt.

To sow this vital seed is the Church's most pressing task. The harvest will be in terms of immortal souls saved.

O Lord, arouse us to the task of sowing far and wide the everlasting seed, that we may also "come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves."



*A Sower
went out
to sow
his seed...
Now the
parable is this:
The seed
is the
word of God*

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April 19, 1964

I am only one,
But still I am one.
I cannot do everything,
But still I can do something.
I will not refuse to do the something
that I can do.
Edawrd E. Hale

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, No. 95

"Joyful, Joyful"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE DOXOLOGY

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 28

SOLO "The Lord's Prayer"
Jean Trogdon

Malotte

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Send us, O God, as thy messengers, to hearts without a home, to lives without love, to the crowds without a guide. Send us to the children whom none have blessed, to the famished whom none have visited, to the fallen whom none have lifted, to the bereaved whom none have comforted. Kindle thy flame on the altars of our hearts, that others may be warmed thereby; cause thy light to shine in our souls, that others may see the way; keep our sym-

pathies and insight ready, our wills keen, our hands quick to help our brothers in their need; for Christ's sake. Amen.

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN, No. 490 "The Voice of God Is Calling"
The children desiring to attend Children's Church, intended for those in grades 1 - 6, will leave at this time.

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Carolyn White, Ted Stephenson, Claudia Eliot,
Larry Faulk, W. C. Wickum, Edith Hall

*HYMN, No. 519 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

*THE BENEDICTION Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. VanBrimmer.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible study. Read I Corinthians 4-6.

THURSDAY 7:30 Billy Graham Counselor's Class at the Grace Methodist Church.

Mrs. Carolyn White, teacher of weekday religious education will be on Coffee break, WDLR, 10 - 10:30 A.M., tomorrow.

Present with our Armed Forces throughout the world are clergymen of the American Baptist Convention. They number 155 and serve with the Air Force, Army, Navy, and at Veterans Administration Hospitals. Responding to the needs of members of the Armed Forces, chaplains have left familiar and comfortable surroundings in order to meet the challenge of these persons of special need. Today some of our chaplains serve in such places as Korea, Viet Nam, Western Europe, Greenland and Alaska. In a real sense, they serve as our missionary representatives in a very needy community. Because of their dedication to Christ, men and women and their dependents, learn of the gospel of Christ and commit themselves and their lives to him.

Much has been said about the spiritual contribution being made by these Baptist pastors in uniform. More should be said regarding our individual responsibility to support them in their work. Servicemen are found in many of our own communities and need to learn of our concern for them. Thousands of young people from our churches are in the Armed Forces and also need to know that they have not been forgotten. Churches and individuals can have a ministry to service personnel. Through this ministry, those away from us yet near us, can be assured of our constant and abiding concern for them.

On this Memorial Day Sunday may God help us to remember the continuing sacrifice of the best of our youth who serve where we cannot, and go where we cannot go.

WILLIAM E. FLOOD, Secretary
Department of Christian Ministry
to Service Personnel



*Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give to you;
not as the world gives
do I give to you.*

*Let not your hearts be
troubled, neither let
them be afraid.*

JOHN
14:27

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 31, 1964

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

Please observe silence in the Sanctuary, someone
sitting near you came to pray.

THE MOMENT OF MEDITATION

*HYMN, No. 550 "Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,

Creative Spirit everywhere,

O Jesus Christ who sets us free,

In joy we sing our praise to Thee; Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading 5

ANTHEM

"Spirit of God"

Norman

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 5:38-48

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO

"The Lord's Prayer"

Malotte

W. E. Wickum

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Jean Brown, Barbara Haddix, Edith Hall, Karen Mead,

Mary Wallace, and Larry Faulk.

*HYMN, No. 300

"Now in the Days of Youth"

(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for Children's Church in the Fellowship Hall)

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422 (1st Stanza)

THE SERMON

"Things to Forget"

*HYMN, No. 363

"Lead on O King Eternal"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

TWO POEMS -

"Peace"

O Peace, thy power is much greater than
An earthquake; surer than fire; mightier
Than any force that God has given man.
Your power is compared to that of prayer.
O Peace, you're seen in the quiescent snow;
You're felt in the calm of the autumn air;
You're sensed in the security we know
When we find that the one we love would care.
O Peace, you are the winding twine that binds
The hearts of friends. O Peace, you're like
the wind
That touches each and every soul it finds.
The tears of the world only you can mend.
O Peace, come vanquishing all vengeful strife;
Possess our souls and give us righteous life.

Larry Faulk

"He's God!"

He's a red rose in bloom, on a hill far away!
He's a swift running stream, the banks covered with
clay!
He's a tree and a lake and a star in the sky!
He's a state and a nation - he's you and he's I!

His presence is felt in the quietness of night.
He's a soft drifting cloud, and a bird swift in
flight.
He's the night black as silk; and the sun's golden
rays.

Yes, God is all everything; for each lasting day!

Edith Hall

(Peace was given second place in the Poetry Contest for Franklin County Seniors by the National Society of Arts and Letters. He's God! was written in response to last Sunday's request for a definition of God.)

Some time before William Axling's passing, he was in conversation with a colleague about earlier days as a missionary in Japan. He was reminiscing about former trials and triumphs through more than forty years of service. All manner of hardship had been the lot of himself and Mrs. Axling. They had lost all worldly possessions several times. They had been imprisoned and separated from each other. Sometimes sickness hindered their work. Sin and evil caused great resistance to their attempts to preach the claims of Christ.

"But, through it all," he said, "God has been so good to us."

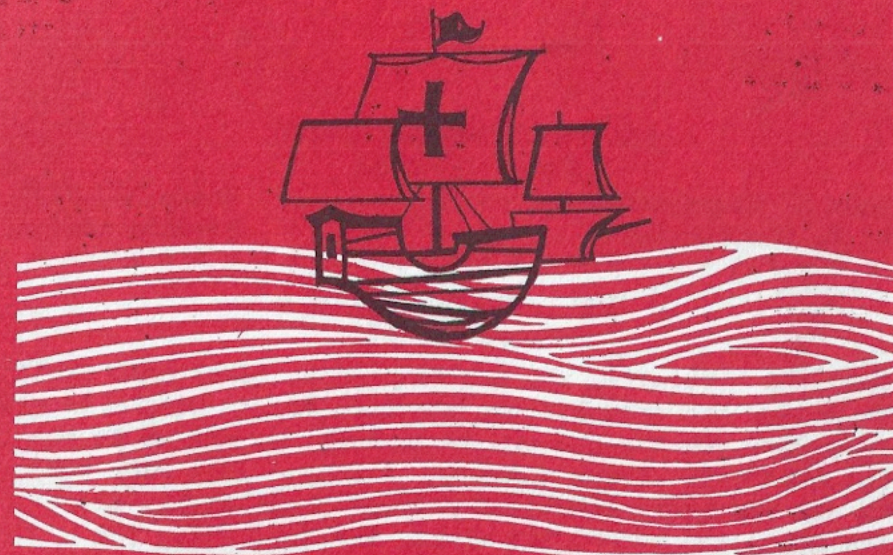
What an amazing statement! Then again, maybe that is what one could expect from servants who knew and followed their Lord as the Axlings did.

Some verses of the Bible that sustained them included the text for today. "The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

Peter is quoting from the Psalmist who also knew something about the trials of the servants of God, but they were also aware of promises that comforted and sustained. Another reassuring passage for the missionary was contained in the words of Jesus, "In the world you will have trial and tribulation, but be of good cheer for I have overcome the world."

All through the years Christians have been buffeted by evil adversaries, and at the same time there was the assurance that "The eyes of the Lord" were guiding, and "His ears were open to their prayers."

HAAKON KNUDSEN, Director
Field Activities Department



FOR THE EYES OF THE LORD ARE UPON THE RIGHTEOUS, AND HIS EARS ARE OPEN TO THEIR PRAYER.



BUT THE FACE OF THE LORD IS AGAINST THOSE THAT DO EVIL.

1 PETER 3:12

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October 11, 1964

John (the baptizer), who was in prison, heard what Christ was doing, and sent his own disciple to him with this message, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to expect another?" Jesus answered, "Go and tell John what you see and hear; the blind recover their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are clean, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life; the poor are hearing the good news - and happy is the man who does not find me a stumbling-block."

Matt. 11:2-6 NEB

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

MOMENT OF PREPARATION

*HYMN, No. 135

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE DOXOLOGY

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reading No. 20

ANTHEM

"Still, Still with Thee"

Pease

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 1:1-17

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DUET

"It's Me O Lord"

Burleigh

"Ye Servants of God"

Haydn

Fred Grubbs & W. C. Wickum

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422 (1st stanza)

Children desiring to attend Children's Church, (grades 1 - 6) may leave at the conclusion of the Offertory Response.

LESSON

"Christianity on the Fifty Yard Line"

*HYMN, No. 271

"Send Down Thy Truth, O God"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

6:00 Youth Fellowships.

Junior and Senior High.

MONDAY

7:30 Board of Education.

TUESDAY

7:00 Men's Dinner at Mt. Gilead.

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Worship and Bible study. Discussion of today's sermon. Read Romans 1 - 2.

THURSDAY

9:00 Ferrer Circle with Mrs. Dunn.

2:00 Isleta Circle with Miss Nash.

8:00 Shepard Circle with Mrs. Haddix.

Another opportunity to view the cards and gifts which are being sold by the kitchen committee has been arranged for October 16, at the McTaggart home from 10:00 AM until 8:30 PM.

Humanity is waiting for a revolutionary Christianity which will change the world. We do not want to blow all our existing institutions to atoms, but we do want to remold every one of them...A tank of gasoline can blow a car sky-high in a single explosion, or it can push it to the top of a hill in a perpetual succession of little explosions.

Love with Jesus was not a flickering and wayward emotion but the highest and most steadfast energy of a will bent on creating fellowship.

Walter Rauschenbusch

God With Us

In what more simple but human way could God communicate His desire to be one with us than to be born into the world as we are born into the world?

His beloved Son was called "Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." But, He was also called "Emmanuel"—meaning God with us. Being born *into* the world was risky for Jesus, the Son of God. Yet, how else could He have best demonstrated to each one of us that He could and would be with us?

Jesus experienced every level of life that you and I experience. Jesus hungered, wept, thirsted, sorrowed, became tired, was lonely, was tempted, suffered and died. These and other experiences were His—similar to many of our own experiences.—And He is God with us.

When Jesus came *into* the world he showed us that His redemptive action can be intensified as we accept His way of life. Then we can go *into* the world, participating at all levels of work, family, school, and social responsibility, knowing He is "God with us." Actually, as Jesus came into the world that first Christmas Day, so He comes *into* us; being formed in us (Galatians 4:19) in such fashion that we can approach life with the attitudes He would have about our experiences and relationships. It is in this sense that we can be *in* the world, confident that "God is with us"!

O come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

WILLIAM C. NELSON
Editor of Frontiers
The Board of Education and Publication



For to you
is born this day in the city of David
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. LUKE 2:11

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CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION
December 24, 1964

FOR YOUR MEDITATION . . .

Let us be silent for a little while
This Holy night,
Let us go out where the silver winter stars
Hang still and white,
And let us find His star, and stand beneath
Its drenching Light.

We will be calmer for the time alone
Where still things are;
We will be stronger than we were before,
And cleaner, far,
For the brief time beneath the showering Light
Of one white star.
Grace Noll Crowell

A GIFT OF WORDS

Hope Faith Love Joy

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Persons sitting
near you came to pray.

THE WORDS OF HOPE

The Prophets

*HYMN, No. 191

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

*THE INVOCATION

HYMN, No. 184

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

NATIVITY ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Matthew 2:1-11

ANTHEM

"In the Stable He Lies"
Jean Ekelberry & Choir

Gounod

NATIVITY ACCORDING TO LUKE

Luke 2:1-20

SCLO

"O Holy Night"
W. C. Wickum

Adam

LESSON

"Going from Hope to Joy"

*HYMN, No. 188

"Silent Night"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Blessing of the Elements

Distribution of the Bread (retain the bread until
all have been served)

Distribution of the Cup (retain the cup until all
have been served)

Thanksgiving

*HYMN, No. 198

"There's a Song in the Air"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

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Organist, Mrs. Ruth Brown

We are happy to welcome visitors to our Christmas Eve
Communion. It is our custom to observe open communion,
and we invite you to share fully in our service.

Thanks are extended to all persons who have assisted in
the celebration of Christmas by the Church. Your hours
of work, your loyalty, and especially your faith in the
Christ, have made our holiday a Holy Time.

May Christ Jesus be born in the manger of our hearts!

"Be Exalted, O God"

God is to be exalted in our thoughts, but we are also to avail ourselves of His help in our lives. Merely to worship Him in awe of His greatness and holiness is not to please Him fully. He wants us to draw upon Him, to treat Him as an asset in our practical lives—as a priceless possession. We are to live in Him, but He also must live in us, if we are to bring to our souls the power of His infinite life.

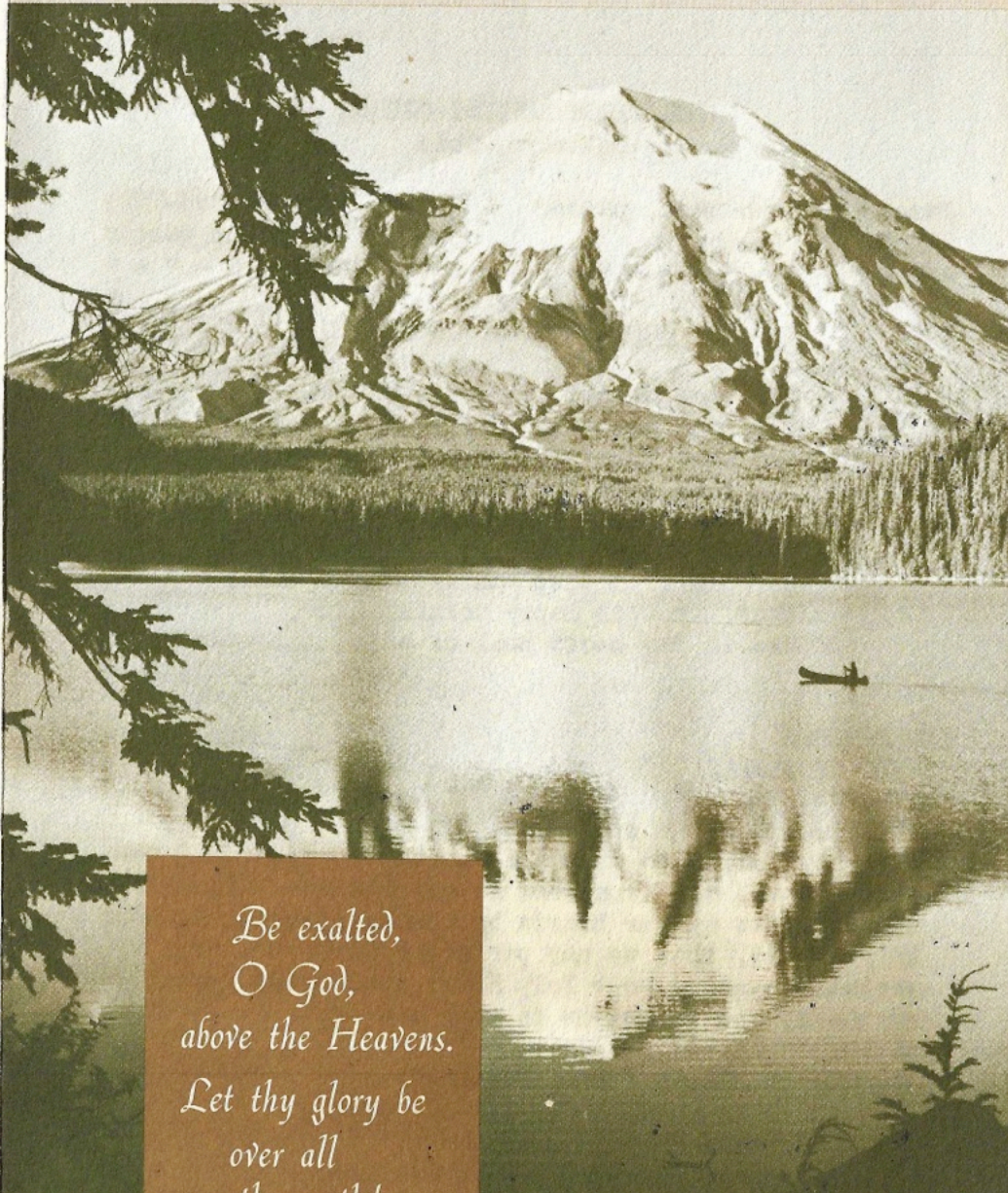
We cannot hold God's majesty in too great awe, but it is possible for us to dwell on His greatness so much that we do not allow our souls the intimacy with Him which He craves and we need.

The one great fact Jesus came to reveal was that the infinite and eternal God is the all-loving, too. He is the tender Father as well as the mighty Ruler. To keep our intimacy free from irreverence and our awe free from cold formality, is to find the open way to true and satisfying communion with God. To possess Him is to possess all things and to have power to attain our noblest purpose.

"Thou, thou alone
Art everlasting, and the blessed spirits,
Which thou includest, as the sea her waves,
For adoration thou endurest; endure
For consciousness the motive of Thy will."

William Wordsworth
("The Excursion")

DR. WILLIAM S. CHRISTIE, Director
Division of World Mission Support
Southern California Baptist Convention



*Be exalted,
O God,
above the Heavens.
Let thy glory be
over all
the earth!*

PSALMS 57:5

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THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

O Savior Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick, and some are sad,
And some have never loved Thee well
And some have lost the love they had.

Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
Hear, in this happy morning hour,
And in Thy mercy heal us all.
Anon.

THE PRELUDE

MOMENT OF PREPARATION

*HYMN, No. 341

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

*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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; thru Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray saying,

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee; Amen.

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE LESSON, No. 12 (New Testament)
SOLO W. C. Wickum

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE No. 422 (1st stanza)
(Children in grades 1-6 may leave for Children's Church

at the conclusion of the Response. The Deacons will take their places in preparation for Holy Communion.)

THE LESSON

"A New Creation"

THE COMMUNION LOVE OFFERING

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation
Consecration
Communion
Thanksgiving

*HYMN, No. 252

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, Mrs. Hazen Young,

Organist, Mrs. Ruth Brown

Chief Usher, Carter Scites

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:15 Youth Fellowships meet to attend the out-of-doors worship service of the Broad Street Methodist Church in Columbus. Mr. Wickum will sing and your pastor will speak.

MONDAY 8:00 Board of Deacons with Mr. VanBrimmer.

TUESDAY 7:30 Board of Trustees with Mr. Syler.
7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible study and prayer.

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

Last Chance

"Jesus is riding down Main Street!"

If this were heard today, who would drop everything and rush out to see the Lord?

In Jerusalem so long ago, on that day of the Triumphal Entry, not every inhabitant of the great city went out to spread palms and garments in the way. There were so many preparations to be made for the Passover! And, undoubtedly he would come again at a more convenient time.

Our occupations might include a TV spectacular, a desert to finish, a party in progress, shopping, an automobile ride, a lively dialogue with friends—he will come again.

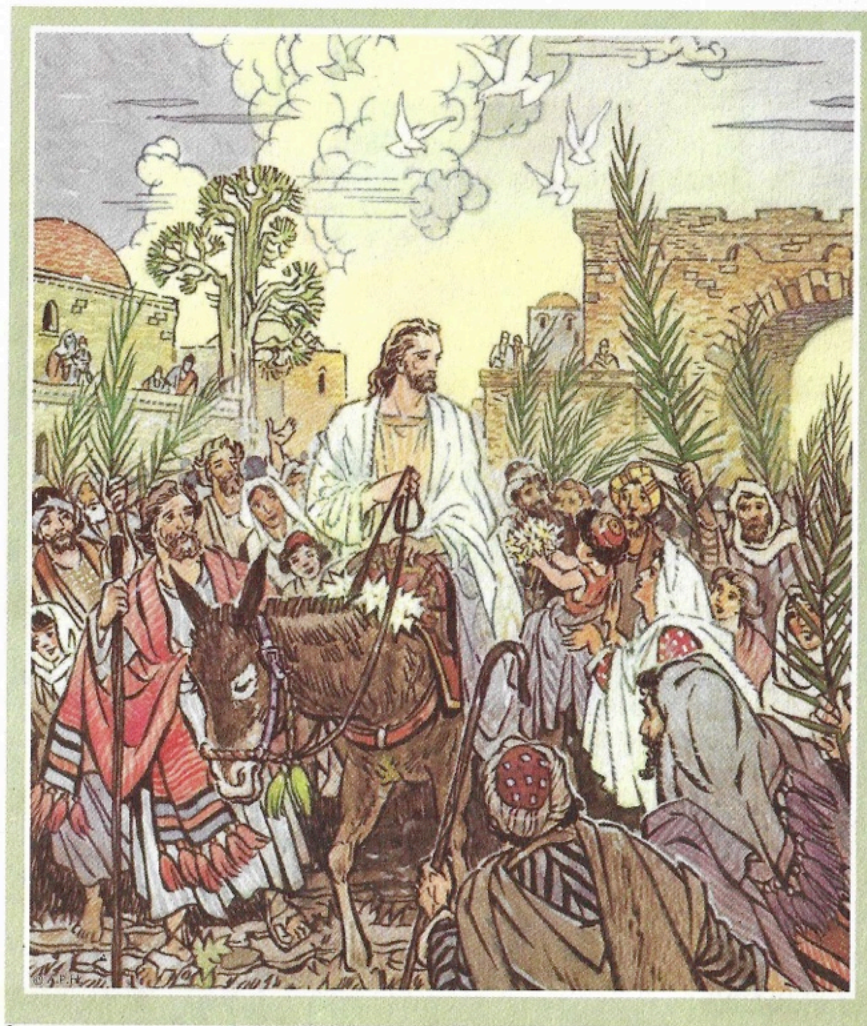
But in Jerusalem it was the last chance. Unless, of course, you could count the Crucifixion as an opportunity to see him. Surely, it was the last chance for the people to rally behind him until the authorities would not have dared to touch him. For many it was the last chance for healing and the last chance to have a first-hand acquaintance with the Son of God.

We are sophisticated and know the answers; we are not morbid enough to be concerned with the last chances!

And yet—suppose that Christ could be found on our Main Street today. Would some of us run to see him? Would we sacrifice our best coats for him? Would we risk being laughed at? Would we look around carefully to see who was watching before we risked a weak, "Hosanna!"?

This Palm Sunday may be our best chance (if not our last) to gain a vision of the King of Kings. Good Friday will come soon, but today is a day for gladness and for rejoicing.

DR. GLENN H. ASQUITH, Executive Director
Division of Christian Publications
American Baptist Convention, Valley Forge, Pa.



Palm Sunday

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson, pastor

Ted D. Stephenson,

Palm Sunday Worship

Phone 363-7021

Student pastor

April 11, 1965

A POEM FOR MEDITATION

"Three Hour Service"

The sullen people sit; the clergy posture and the
choir consents in somber tones.

These are the heavy hours, bent with the weight of
pain and ancient death;
Words leap like Roman nails through flesh, crushing
both hope and bone.
The air is sour with sadness. Lilies droop unclothed,
the weeds devour the grain,
A sparrow falls unknown, the lost sheep wanders in
the wilderness,
Dead Lazarus rots in darkness.

Here, in this tomb cold church, death comes slowly;
Words drip like blood around the Risen Feet.

But in the distant fields, the laugh of Magdalene.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP - Hosanna to the Son of David;

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest.

*HYMN, No. 237 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

ANTHEM "Ride on in Majesty"

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

HYMN, No. 231

(The Choir will sing the first two stanzas; the
congregation will rise and join in the third)

Reading No. 14

Norman

The Crucifixion

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SOLO "Open the Gates of the Temple"

W. O. Wickum

Knapp

THE OFFERTORY

Blessings of Tithes and Offerings

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422

(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for Children's
Church during the singing of the last stanza.)

LESSON

"The Cross in Your Life"

HYMN, No. 232

"Tis Midnight and on Olive's Brow"

A MOMENT OF DEDICATION

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Organist, Mrs. Brown; Choir Dir., Mrs. Young; Chief Usher,
Mr. Pettit.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

TODAY 5:00 Joint meeting of the youth of the
First Baptist, Second Baptist and Zion
A.M.E. Churches. Speakers: Norman Arm-
strong, Lehman Bates, Jim Enke. Theme:
"The Freedom Movement." Attendance is
limited to youth and their advisors.

MONDAY 7:30 Christian Ed. committees followed by
the Bd. of Ed.

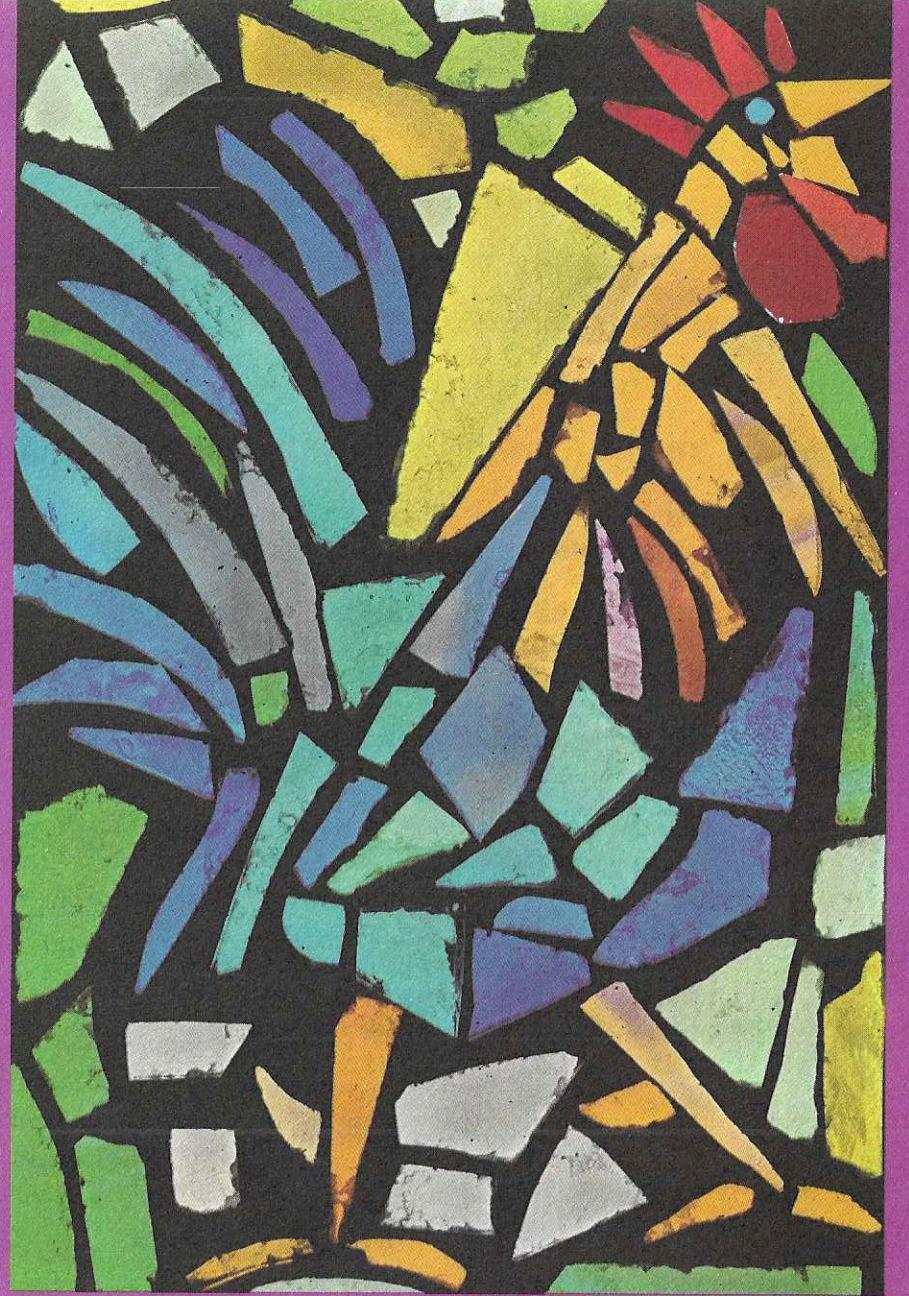
TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
7:30 Whatever Class with Mrs. Main.

THURSDAY 8:00 Upper Room Communion in Fellowship
Hall. Please observe silence!

FRIDAY 12:00 Three Hour Service at Presb. Church.

SUNDAY 6:00 Sunrise service at Monnett Hall.
9:15 Church School.
10:30 Easter Worship - special music.

The Eva Shepard Circle will hold a bake sale Saturday
at 9:00 A.M. at O'Brien Olds.



*In the hour of trial, Jesus, plead for me
Lest by base denial I depart from Thee.*

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 20, 1966 4th Sunday in Lent

If God can shape with equal art
A planet and a daisy-heart,
Shedding an equal love on all,
What do I mean by great and small?
All work is opportunity
To bless, and bring some good to be.
I thank You, Father, that today
I have so grand a part to play.
R. H. Grenville

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

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

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee,

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 2

SOLO W. C. Wickum

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 18:1-8

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN, No. 429 "I Love Thy Kingdom"

(Children in grades 1-6 may leave for
their own worship during the 2nd stanza)

LESSON "Finding Success through Prayer"

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, No. 401 "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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Choir Director, Mrs. Hazen Young, Organist,
Mrs. Charles Brown, Chief Usher, Mr. John Mead
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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

MONDAY 7:30 Workers' Conference.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

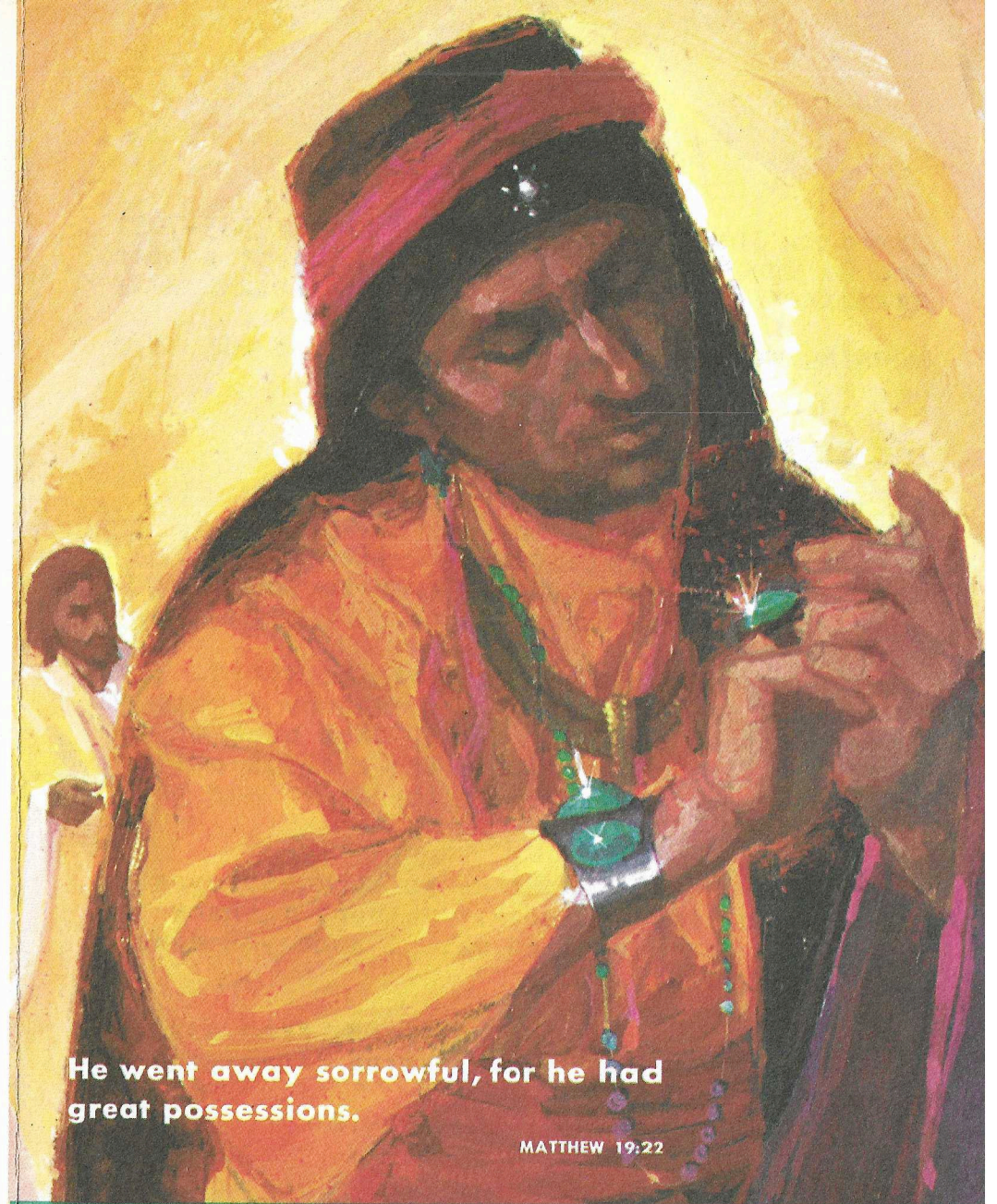
WEDNESDAY 8:00 Lenten Worship at the Zion
A.M.E. Church.

THURSDAY 7:30 Board of Trustees.

Would you care to share in paying for the new dishes recently purchased for the church? The Women's Society suggests that you purchase place settings for your family at \$1.00 per setting. Any contribution will be appreciated and should be over and above your regular giving. Contributions may be given to Mrs. Frances Johnson or Mrs. Helen Aleshire.

Miss Nellie Sheets is a patient in the Marion General Hospital.

As we begin consciously to desire spiritual unfoldment, we find that our attitude toward the whole of life has undergone a change. This is what reveals our inner growth. - Mrs. C. Baum



**He went away sorrowful, for he had
great possessions.**

MATTHEW 19:22

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MORNING WORSHIP August 21, 1966

FOR YOUR MEDITATION -

I will take the Master at his word. I will
talk to you, God, as to someone who cares,
someone who understands. I believe in you,
God. I trust you, God. I turn to you that I
might be filled with your joy.

God, you created the beauty of the world. I
choose to see that beauty, to let my senses re-
spond to that beauty. I know that back of the
physical is the spiritual, the perfect pattern
that can be established in the home and in
the world.

I thank you God, for hands to work and eyes
to see and lips to speak. Father, I thank
you that you have heard me. I know you always
hear me. Amen.

Max Ballard, from Aspire
Magazine (adapted)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
9:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
THE CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, No. 167 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON
SPECIAL MUSIC

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE OFFERTORY HYMN, No. 422 "We Bring Thee"
(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the 2nd stanza)

LESSON

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, No. 252

"All Hail the Power"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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ORGANIST - Mrs. Charles Brown

CHIEF USHER - John Mead

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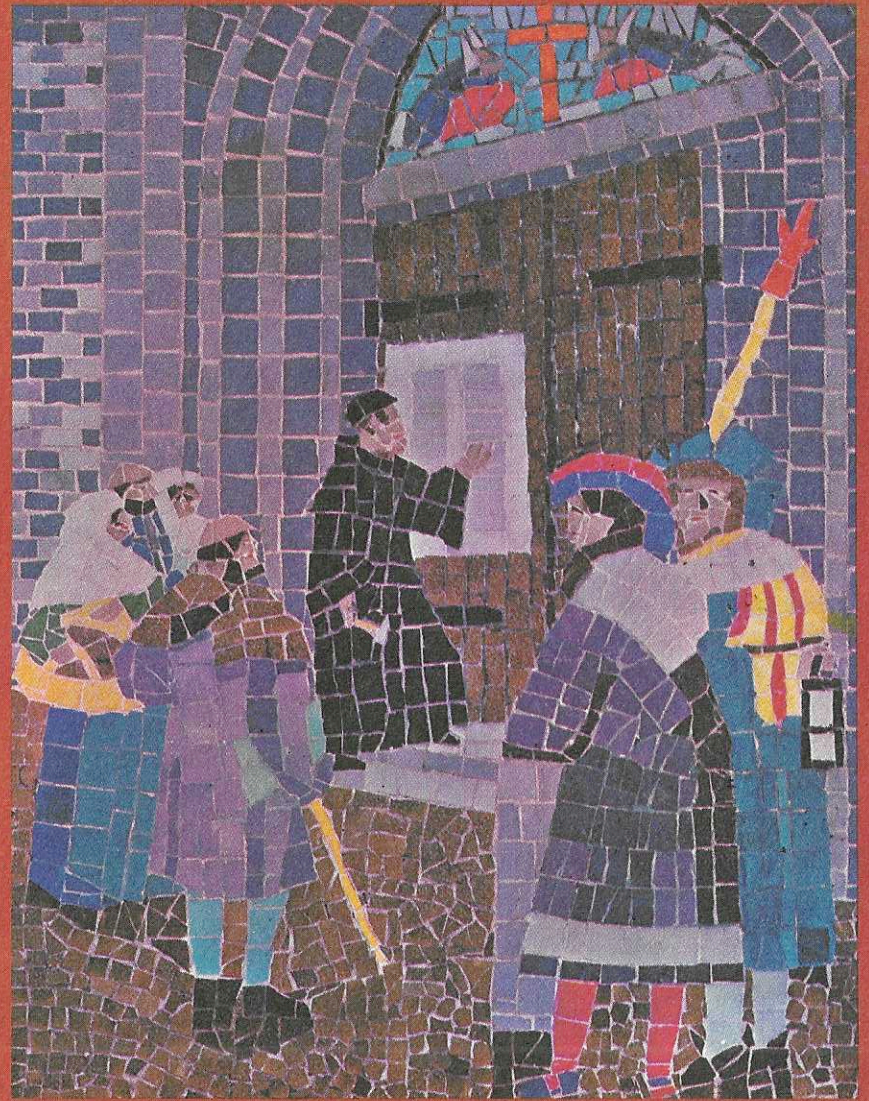
TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

We are always happy to welcome visitors to our
worship. May we have your signature in the
guest book in the vestibule? Hurry back!

The sun touches an ordinary window and makes
it jewel-like. God touches man at his routine
work and makes him a blessing and his contribu-
tion too far-reaching to be measured. Let us
give thanks and bless our daily tasks.

- Daily Word



A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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FOR YOUR MEDITATION -

You come along...yelling about Jesus.
Where do you get that stuff?
What do you know about Jesus?

This Jesus was good to look at, smelled good,
listened good. He threw out something fresh
and beautiful from the skin of his body and
the touch of his hands wherever he passed
along.

I ask you to come through and show me where
you're pouring out the blood of your life.
I've been to this suburb of Jerusalem they
call Golgotha, where they nailed him, and I
know if the story was straight it was real
blood ran from his hands and the nail-holes,
and it was real blood spurted in red drops
where the spear of the Roman soldier ram-
med in between the ribs of this Jesus of
Nazareth.

Carl Sandburg

THE ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION
November 6, 1966

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
MOMENT OF MEDITATION
*HYMN, No. 362 "Young and Fearless Prophet"
(tune on page 363)
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE DOXOLOGY
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON from Matthew 23

ANTHEM "Peace of God" Pinsuti
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS No. 422
*THE RESPONSE
(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the second stanza)
LESSON "Bread and Wine"
*THE COMMUNION HYMN, No. 461
THE HOLY COMMUNION
Invitation Prayer of Consecration
Communion Thanksgiving
*HYMN, No. 419 "Jesus Thou Joy"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Crane wish to express their
appreciation of the greeting and good wishes
received from their numerous friends.

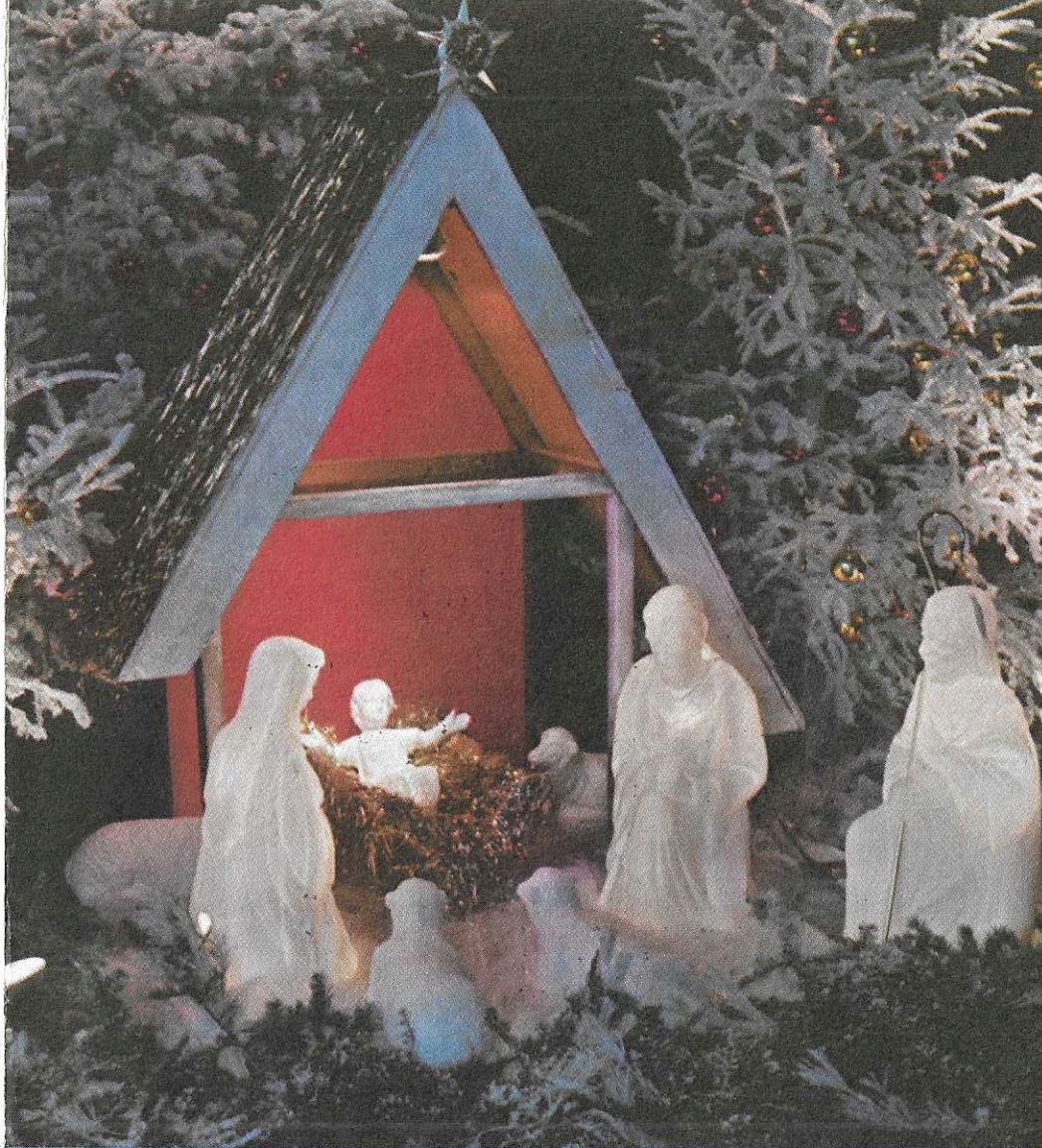
OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.
MONDAY 7:30 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
at our church. Men invited.
TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible discussion - John 21.
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Society.

Finance workers will meet after midweek service
in the Church School assembly room.

We are happy to welcome visitors to our wor-
ship. May we have your signature in the guest
book in the vestibule?

"Every loving action selflessly extended to
anyone else is a true prayer..."
Brpther Mandus



Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.

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Ted D. Stephenson Student pastor
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4th Sunday in Advent December 18, 1966

How many would follow the star tonight
If it shone past the Milky Way,
Leave comfortable home and follow it still
Over the hills and away?

How many would open their doors tonight
For a weary and shabby pair,
Make room at hearths for a stranger-child
Though the infant be wondrous fair?

How many would give of their goods tonight,
The best they possess and more,
For their faith in a star and an angel choir
And a king forever more?

For we censure the folk of a bygone time
For indifference to Mary's plight.
How many would do any better now?
Would you follow the star tonight?
Helen Middleton

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
THE MOMENT OF MEDITATION
*HYMN, No. 187 "Angels We Have Heard on High"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI
THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Reading No. 51
CHILDREN'S CHOIR "Cradle Song" Wilson
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 1:39-56
ANTHEM "Jesu Bambino" Yon

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*HYMN, No. 198 "There's a Song in the Air"
 (Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
 their own worship during the second stanza)
SOLO "See Amid the Winter Snow" Goss
 W. C. Wickum

LESSON "Waiting for Christmas"
THE MORNING PRAYERS
*HYMN, No. 185 "While Shepherds Watched"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

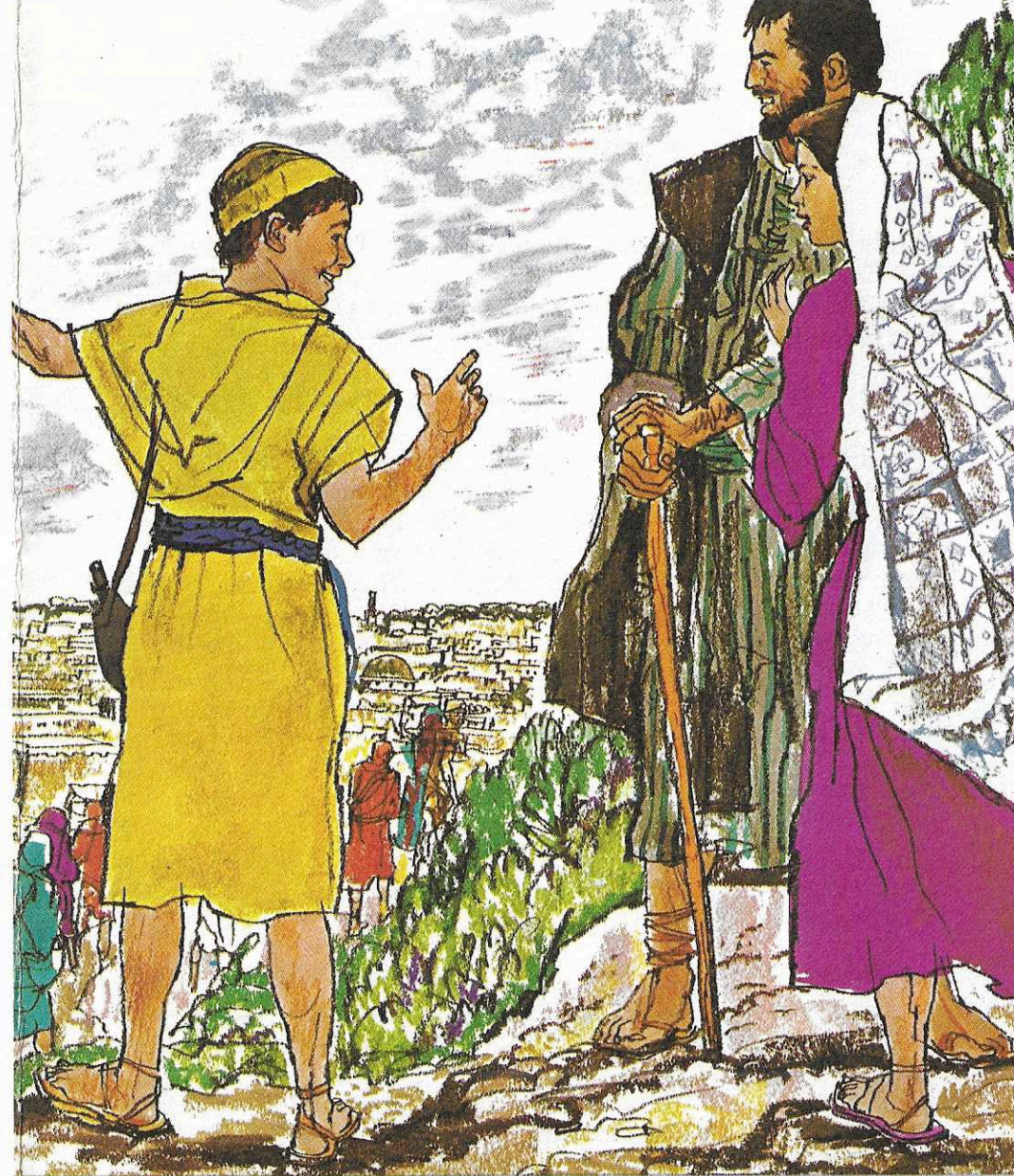
TONIGHT 6:00 Family Night at the Church.
 Nativity scene; parties for
 church school classes; discus-
 sion for adults; refreshments
 and fellowship. Concludes at
 8. Everyone invited.

TUESDAY 12:00 Whatever class covered dish
 dinner and gift exchange at
 the Cranes.
 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible discussion: "The
 Christmas story."

SATURDAY 7:00 Christmas Eve Communion,
 Special Music.

SUNDAY 9:10 Church School.
 10:30 Christmas Worship on the
 Lord's birthday.



AND WHEN HE WAS TWELVE YEARS OLD, THEY WENT UP TO
JERUSALEM AFTER THE CUSTOM OF THE FEAST.

LUKE 2:42

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Ted D. Stephenson, Student pastor
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Morning Worship January 22, 1967

A MEDITATION - (for health and healing)

I was created in the image and likeness of God. Therefore it was never intended that I should have any illness of any kind. So I still my thoughts and feelings, and become quiet, and know that God is my strength. The divine power radiates through my flesh, healing it, healing every tissue, every organ...I was born to be well. The only sin is ignorance; the only salvation is understanding. My body is feeling the glow and radiance of the divine healing presence now. God is the health of his people. I am forever well with the health of God.

Grace Faus (pastor, Church of
the Healing Christ, Washington)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Some-
one sitting near you came to pray.

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

The Light of God surrounds me; the Love of
God infolds me; the Power of God protects
me; the Presence of God watches over me;
wherever I am, GOD IS!

*HYMN, No. 107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Reading No. 29

ANTHEM "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ" Sexton

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
THE MORNING PRAYER

Luke 2:39-52

Silence

Prayer of Faith

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE OFFERTORY HYMN, No. 393 "Guide Me"
(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the 2nd stanza)

LESSON "How to Make Your Religion Read"

*HYMN, No. 272 "Spirit of God"

*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 8:00 Bible study.

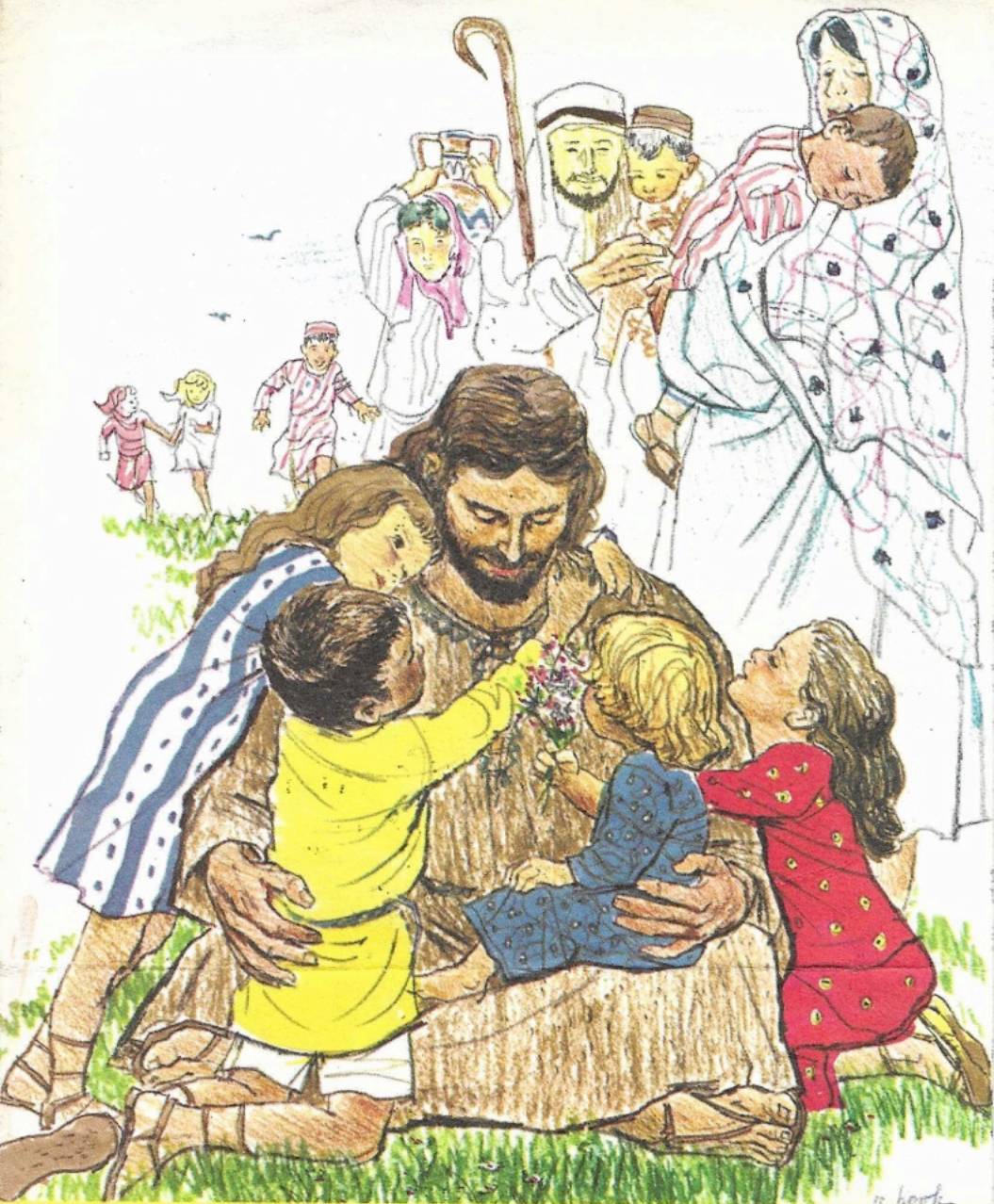
THURSDAY 2:00 Whittier Circle with Mrs. Drey

Joy is definitely a health producer...In joy
there is an element of contagion to which we
gladly submit ourselves, for we intuitively
know that it is good.

H. B. Jeffery

Finish each day and be done with it. You have
done what you could. Some blunders and absurd-
ities no doubt crept in; forget them..Tomorrow
is a new day...begin it well and serenely.

Ralph W. Emerson



G O D I S L O V E

1 JOHN 4:16

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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Ted D. Stephenson, Student pastor
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Morning Worship June 18, 1967

Good morning!
Your children are not your children.
They are the sons and daughters of Life's
longing for itself.
They come through you but not from you,
And though they are with you yet they belong
not to you.
You may give them your love but not your
thoughts.
For they have their own thoughts.
You may house their bodies but not their
souls,
For their souls dwell in the house of to-
morrow, which you cannot visit, not
even in your dreams...
For life goes not backwards nor tarries
with yesterday.
You are the bows from which your children
as living arrows are sent forth.
Kahlil Gibran

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
MOMENT OF MEDITATION
*HYMN, No. 348 "Faith of Our Fathers"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)
O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee.
THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 15:11-32
ANTHEM "While It Is Day" Ackley

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE No. 422
(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the 2nd stanza)
SOLO Fred Grubbs

LESSON

"If God Is Father"

*HYMN, No. 411 "Dear Lord and Father"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
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Organist, Mrs. Charles Brown
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The rose on the altar is in honor of Charles
Joseph Ekelberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ek-
elberry. Charles was born June 15th.

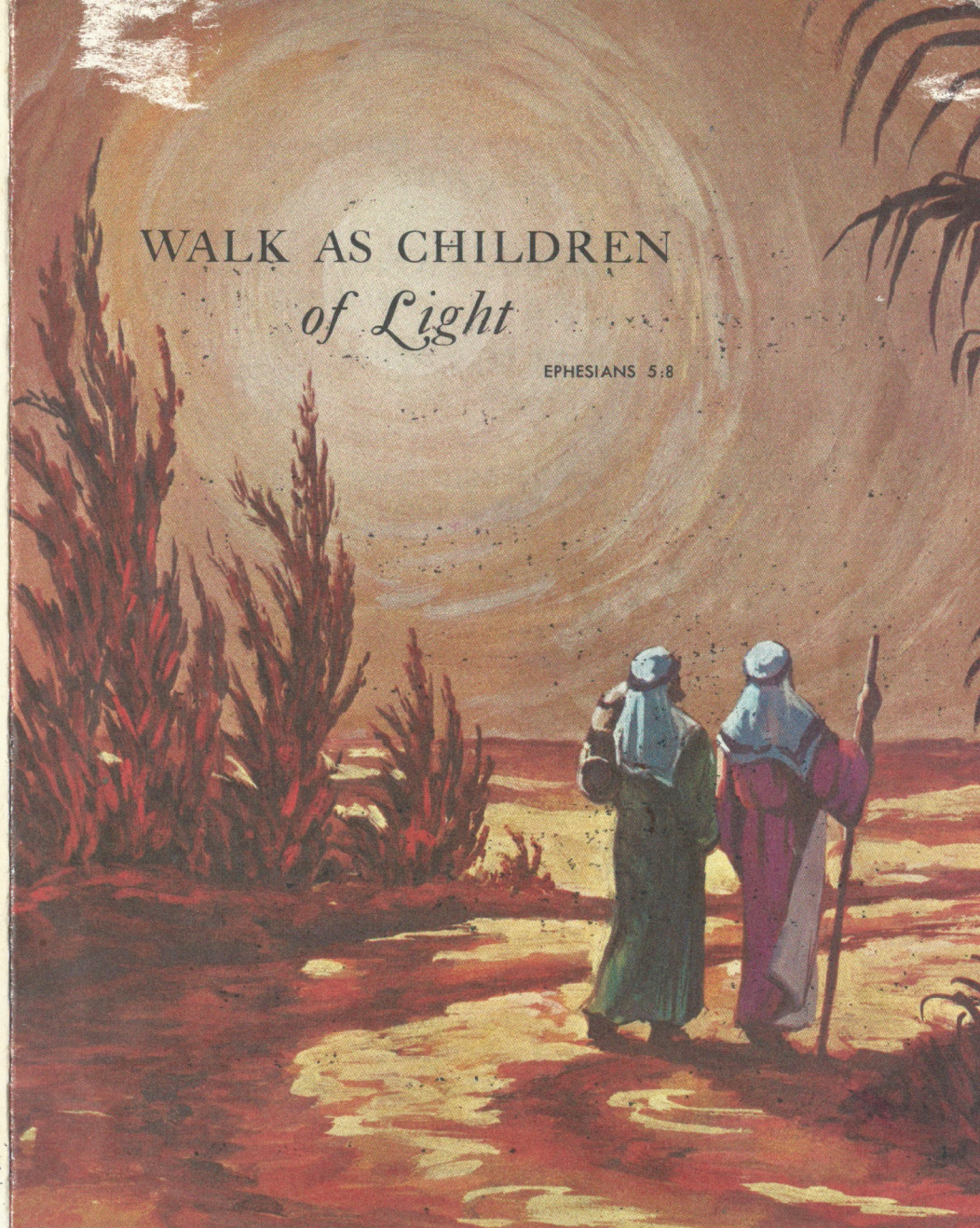
OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.
MONDAY 7:30 Workers' Conference.
TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
WEDNESDAY 12:30 Ferrer Circle with Mrs. Lee.
7:30 Bible study.
8:30 Parish Council. Special
meeting.
NEXT SUNDAY 6:00 Potluck picnic with Mrs.
Brown. Bring own table ser-
vice.

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

WALK AS CHILDREN
of Light

EPHESIANS 5:8



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson,
pastor

Rick Lee,
assisting

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Morning Worship

February 11, 1968

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CHORAL INTROIT

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 402 "Give to the Winds"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE DOXOLOGY

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 5

ANTHEM "Rise up O Men of God"

Walter

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 16:13-19

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral prayer

Choral Response

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN, No. 271 "Send Down Thy Truth, O God"

(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the 2nd stanza)

LESSON FOR TODAY

"Men and Giants"

*HYMN, No. 489

"We Would Be Building"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, Fred B. Grubbs

Organist, Mrs. Charles Brown

Chief Usher, Willis Smith

Greeters, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Byerly

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

THIS WEEK'S PLANS

TODAY

3:00 Women's Society Board meeting.

3:30 Race Relations service at the
2nd Baptist Church.

6:00 Youth Fellowships.

MONDAY 7:30 Board of Christian Education.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible study. II Peter.

THURSDAY 8:00 Shepherd circle at parsonage.

SATURDAY 4:00 Choir Rehearsal.

Next Sunday your pastor will be in Akron conducting a retreat. Speaker here will be the Rev. Lawrence N. Selfridge, chaplain at River-view, and former pastor of the 1st Baptist Church, Peabody, Mass.

The rose on the altar is in honor of the newest baby in our church family. She is Elizabeth Louise Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, born February 2, 1968.

A REPORT OF CHURCH FINANCES (General fund)

Received January - \$945.
February - 226. (to date)
\$1171.

Expenses Paid in January - \$959.78
Due in February - 887.40
\$1847.18
Due also to the Fellowship Fund 300.00
\$2147.18

Breakdown of expenses (due in Feb.)

Utilities	\$249.00	Crusader	\$26.64
Staff	488.00	Augsburg	
Taxes	79.97	Press	18.10
		Workmen's	
		Comp.	25.69

The winter season brings maximum pressure upon the church budget. It is at this time that your regular and full support is needed.



Whatsoever
ye shall ask
the Father
in My name,
He will
give it you.

JOHN 16:23

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Mothers' Day Worship

Delaware, Ohio
May 11, 1969

James B. Stephenson,
Mrs. Charles Eliot,

Pastor
Assisting

Who is my mother? Not alone
The mother that I call my own,
But all who helped me as a boy
Find first a child's then a man's joy:
The tomboy aunt who took the time
To teach me how to throw and climb;
The neighbor down the street who had
Some cookies for a hungry lad;
The helper in the Sunday School
Who taught and lived the Golden Rule;
The hard-worked teacher who first brought
The quick mind to the gates of thought;
And all who unawares gave much - - -
Patience, a smile, a prayer, the touch
Of a kind hand, some words of cheer,
Or just a warm listening ear.
Who is my mother? Everyone
To whom I have somehow been son.

Daily Word, May '54

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CHORAL INTROIT

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 598 "Now Thank We All"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 19

HYMN, 604 "Motherhood, Sublime, Eternal"

(The congregation will join the soloist and
choir in singing the third stanza)

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 1:26-35

RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS

MORNING PRAYER

Choral Response

A TRIBUTE IN POETRY
SOLO

Mrs. Charles Eliot
Malotte

"To My Mother"

W. C. Wickum

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN, 361

"I Would Be True"

(Children in grades 1-6 may leave for their
own worship during the last stanza)

LESSON FOR TODAY

"The Motherhood Principle"

*HYMN, 363

"Lead on, O King Eternal"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Youth Fellowships.

MONDAY 7:30 Board of Christian Education.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Bible study with Mrs. Smale.

THURSDAY 7:30 Eva Shepard Circle with
Mrs. Helen Aleshire.

Sadly enough, opposition to the young is more
concerned with outer appearance than with ideas.
We are overly concerned with longer hair,
shorter skirts, beards, symbols of non-conform-
ity. Maybe we prefer to condemn youth for
their appearance so we won't have to get to
know them and their ideas. Are we afraid of
the truth they are bringing to us,

David Williamson (from NEW)

"... The water that I give shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." John 4:14b.

What is the analysis of this water? To hear Jesus is a commission to be honest with Him. The approval of this water is the drinking of it.

It is more than a religious act to drink deeply. It is a way of life. Each one is aware of other streams and currents that will not be stayed. Each one drinks from some fountain.

Man seeks to understand these deep currents: the enigmas of "who is my neighbor," of death, of material things. Man climbs to new levels of understanding of mathematics, chemistry, electronics, society and art. Each new discovery suggests the idea of a stream of pure water. Yet, purity is so very elusive.

The analysis of this water is found in the Gospels. It has, except for Jesus, an unattainable purity. Yet, this water is so very available.

There are two characteristics in the water Jesus offers. First, the beginning Christian can quench his thirst. Second, this water supplies an ever challenging vision for the mature worker. A vision that commissions him to love his neighbor, not to select him. Therein is unequalled energy. When a life is watered with this water, that living soul must spend himself amid two expressions—without which, there is no honesty with Jesus. A personal freedom must be expressed and a determination to make one's life a sacrifice for his generation must be revealed, because he is athirst for nothing else.

RICHARD C. SHANKLIN
Director of World Mission Support
New Jersey Baptist Convention



Jesus said... Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.

John 4:13-14

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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James B. Stephenson, pastor

Ted D. Stephenson,

Phone 363-7021

Student pastor

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

O God, who is Spirit, help us now to worship you in spirit and in truth; to praise you not only with our lips but also with our minds and hearts; and grant that when our worship is ended we may continue to glorify you in our lives; thru Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

(to be announced)

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Light and Love we all may share,

Creative Spirit everywhere,

O Jesus Christ who sets us free,

In joy we sing our praise to thee; Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Morning Prayer

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422 (1st stanza)

THE SERMON

*THE CLOSING HYMN

*THE BENEDICTION

(to be announced)

Choral Response

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Organist - Mrs. Ruth Brown

Choir Director - Mrs. Hazen Young

Chief Usher - Carter Scites

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS meet each Sunday at 6:00 excepting Sunday August 16, on which date only the Senior High has scheduled a meeting.

CHOIR PRACTICE each TUESDAY at 7:30 P.M.

GUEST SPEAKERS are as follows:

August 16 - Mrs. John McTaggart

August 23 - Rev. Edward Dana

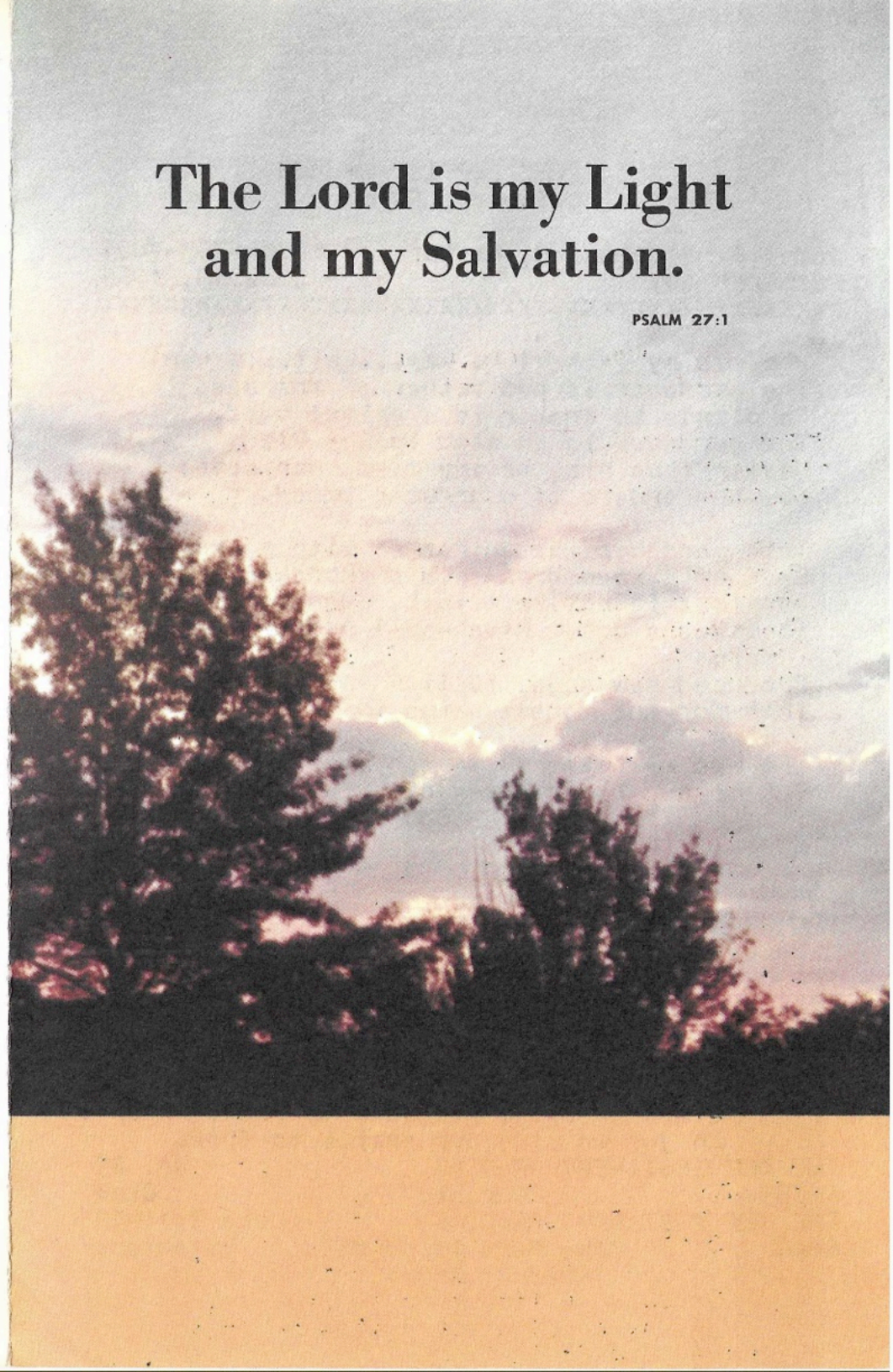
August 30 - W. C. Wickum

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There will be NO MIDWEEK WORSHIP until Sept. 9th,

The Lord is my Light and my Salvation.

PSALM 27:1



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Fathers' Day June 15, 1969
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Who was my father? He was...wait...a Man?
The gardener is not father of the seed
He plants in answer to a primal need.
The gardener is an atom in the Plan
Vaster than his, or any mind, can span;
Obeying orders of a greater creed.

This gardener was entrusted with a grain,
Seed of a seed of a seed's unbroken line,
To plant in soil-of-flesh, chance or design?
It matters not. Flesh-soil harrowed with
pain

Produced new seed, to link anew the chain,
That for the moment waits in this life of
mine.

Who was my father? He was a man...and good.
But he and I were sons of...Fatherhood.
Don Blanding

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CHORAL INTROIT

*PROC. HYMN, 348 "Faith of Our Fathers"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere.

O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 25

ANTHEM "Worship"

Shaw

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 2:41-52

SOLO

"The Pure in Heart"

Stephens

Fred B. Grubbs

THE MORNING PRAYER

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN, 171

"This Is My Father's World"

(Children in grades 1 - 6 may leave for
their own worship during the last stanza)

LESSON FOR TODAY

"Children of Life;
Children of God"

*HYMN, 411

"Dear Lord and Father"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

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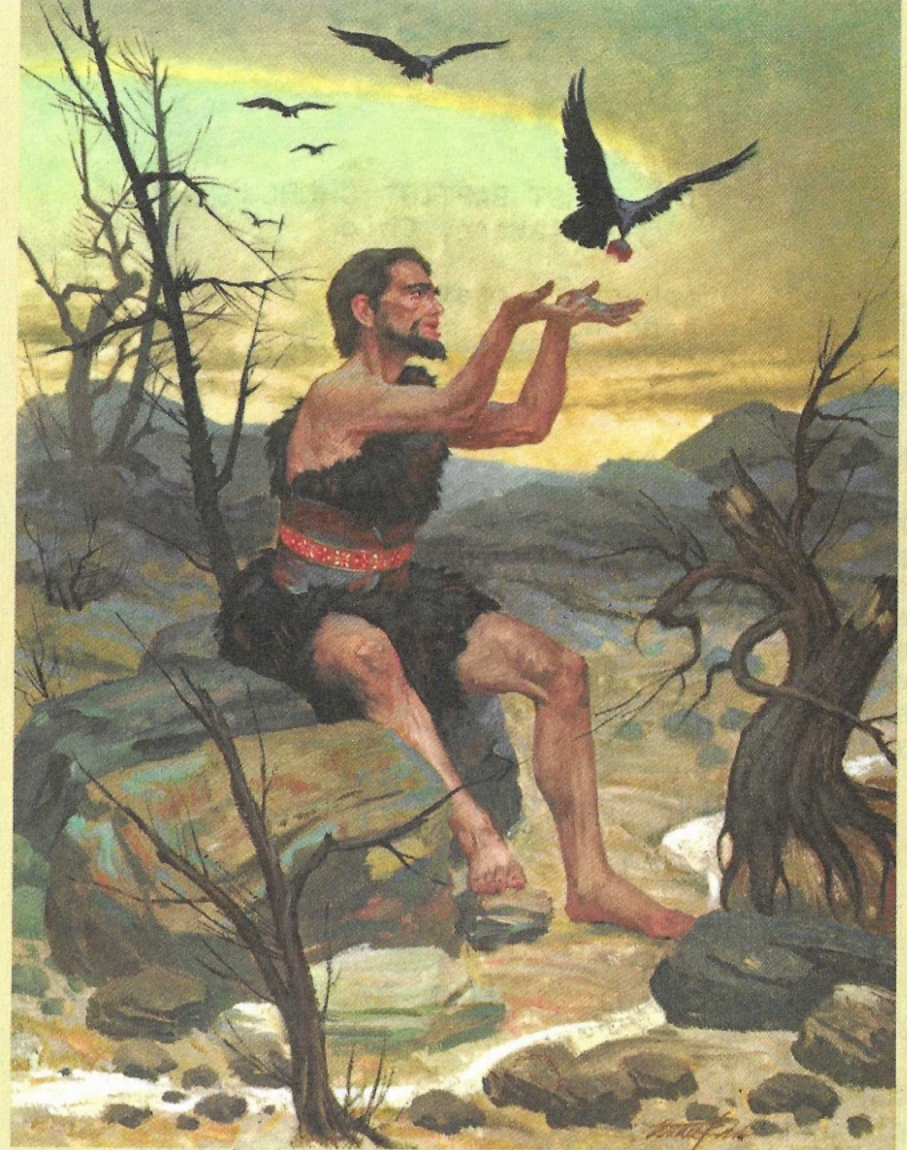
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Remember! - We are sharing in a community wide
Vacation Bible School June 23-July 3rd. It is
for children who have completed Kindergarten I
thru the 4th grade. It will meet at the new
building of Wm. St. Church. Fee is \$1.00 per
family. 9:00 A.M. until 11:30 P.M.

Junior High Youth Fellowship meets tonight at
6:00 for election of officers. The new 7th
graders are invited.

Have you been attempting to call the parsonage?
Phone has been out of order for several days.

A special word of welcome is extended today to
all fathers present.



Take no thought, saying: What shall we eat? or: What shall we drink? or: Wherewithal shall we be clothed?... For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

MATTHEW 6:31-32

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Ted D. Stephenson Assisting
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Morning Worship August 31, 1969

A MEDITATION -

You attract unto yourself not the condition
you ask, not the condition you expect, not the
condition you want; but you attract unto your-
self the condition that accords with what you
are. Are you a giving person? Then the world
will give much to you. Are you a getting per-
son? Then the world will get much away from
you.

Do you give powerfully? Then power will
come to you.
Do you give lovingly? Then love will come
to you.
Do you give beautifully? Then beauty will
come to you.
Do you give abundantly? Then abundance
will come to you.

What shall you give? Most beautiful, most
powerful, most wonderful of all gifts is your-
self - your faith, your trust, your love.
Trust men, trust God, trust events.

Glenn Clark

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
CHORAL INTROIT
*HYMN, 378 "God of Grace and God of Glory"
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:22-32
SOLO "Hear My Prayer, O Lord" Dvorak

Fred B. Grubbs
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*THE RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON FOR TODAY "The Christian's Work"

THE MORNING PRAYER
Silence
Pastoral Prayer Choral Response
*HYMN, 498 "Forward thru the Ages"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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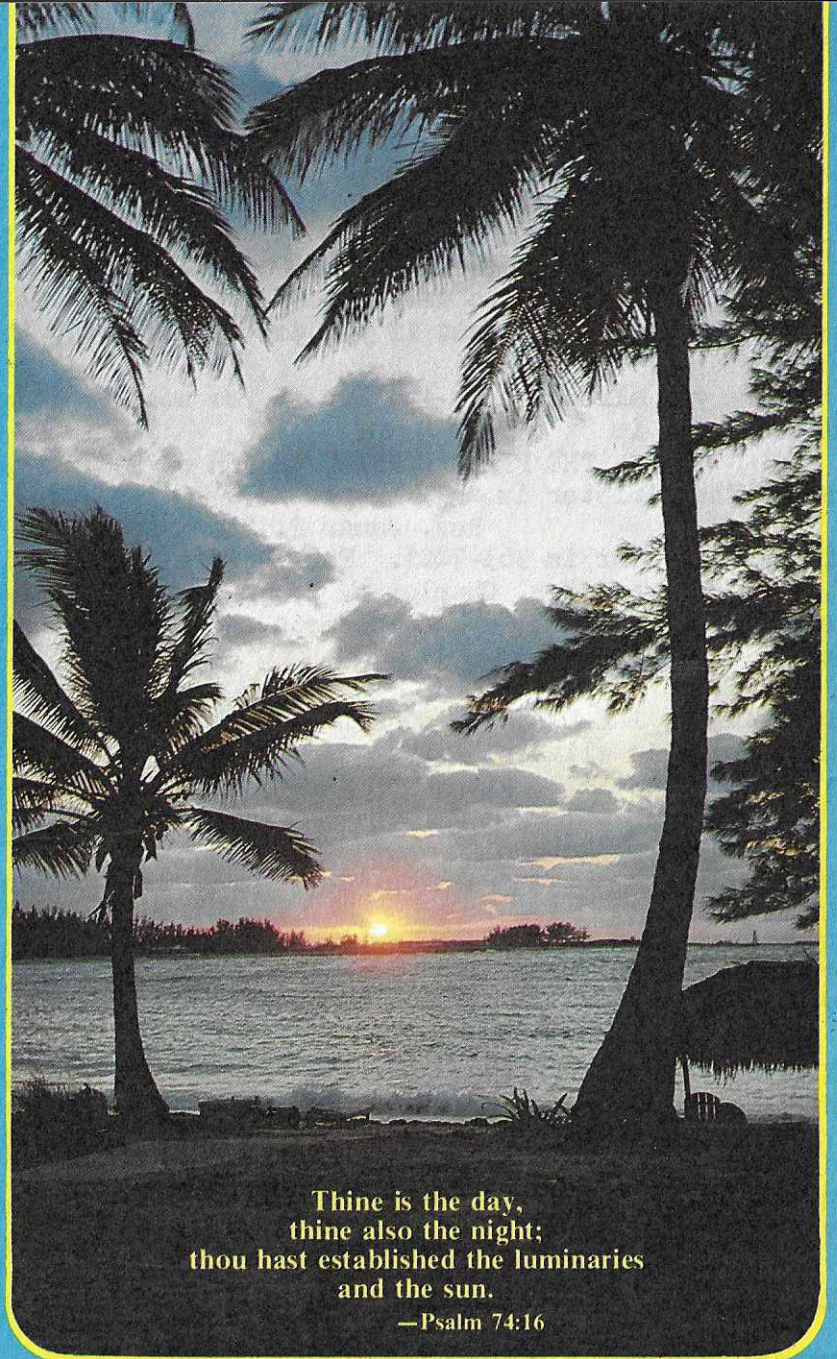
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Greeters today are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lathrop.

Assisting in our worship today is Ted D. Stephenson, senior at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Parish Council will meet this week. Day to be announced.

Next Sunday marks the beginning of the Church School's Fall semester. All classes are to be using the denomination's new Faith and Work Plan. Can we count on you and your family to be a part of this new experience in learning?



Thine is the day,
thine also the night;
thou hast established the luminaries
and the sun.

—Psalm 74:16

Good morning! We are glad you decided to be in church with us this morning.

Here you will meet friendly people. You'll have an opportunity to sing some good songs. There will be a number of Bible passages read. The choir prepared a fine anthem for your inspiration. Also, the minister will present a Lesson (NOTE PLEASE, not a sermon, but a Lesson, and there is a difference). Maybe you will notice the difference, but if you don't, ask about it.

I'm sure you already know it, but if you need to be reminded, this is

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of Delaware, Ohio. The minister is

Rev. James B. Stephenson, and his phone number is 363-7021. The choir's director is W. C. Wickum and Mrs. Charles N. Brown is the organist. Ushers are Jim Faulk, Bob Stephenson, and Rick VanBrimmer.

Following is THE ORDER OF WORSHIP. . . here's hoping the morning is alive

with GOOD THINGS
for you!

THE PRELUDE	"Passiontide"	Higgins
INTROIT		The Choir
*HYMN, 122	"Come, Thou Almighty King"	
*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER		
*THE GLORIA PATRI		

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING	No. 31
ANTHEM	"Did Jesus Weep for Me?"
A NEW TESTAMENT READING	Wilson

THE OFFERTORY	"Come, Humble Sinner"	folk hymn
*THE RESPONSE		The Doxology

LESSON	"With God in the Wilderness - No. 2"
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AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING	
*HYMN, 346	"Take Time to be Holy"
*THE BENEDICTION	Choral Response
THE POSTLUDE	"Lift up Your Songs" Saint-Sains

* Congregations stands

There is a guest book in the vestibule. If you are a newcomer we'd like your name and address.

Following are activities scheduled for this week . . .

TODAY	6:00 Junior High Fellowship.
	6:30 Deacons & Deaconesses.
	7:30 Class: "The Power of Thought."

WEDNESDAY	7:15 Laymen's dinner at Buns.
	9:30 Prayer Group at VanBrimmers.
	7:00 Class; "The Power of Thought."
	8:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY	9:00 Morning Circle at Grubbs.
	7:30 Shepherd Circle with Barkeloos.

SATURDAY	9:00 Workshop at Karl Road Church.
	10:00 Children's and Junior Choirs.

NEXT SUNDAY	9:15 Church School.
	10:30 Morning Worship.
	5:00 Junior High Fellowship.
	6:00 Recognition Dinner.
	7:30 Class: "The Power of Thought."

A PLACE FOR NOTES

FALL 1969



Heaven and earth shall pass away;
but My words shall not pass away.

LUKE 21:33

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday, Dec. 14, 1969
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Delaware, Ohio
Pastor, James B. Stephenson

For your own thoughts -

"I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and
in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning."

Psalms 130:5-6

In Bible Lands many cities are built on
hills surrounded by walls. Posted on these
walls and at the gates during the night were
watchmen who kept vigil to warn of the approach
of enemies or danger. Prophets were watchmen
of God who warned of impending doom or an-
nounced good news. A Christian also is a
watchman for the Lord.

THE PRELUDE Carols Mrs. Brown
INVOCATION

SCRIPTURES ABOUT WATCHMEN

HYMN 183 Reading of 1st stanza

SCRIPTURES OF PROPHECY - OLD TESTAMENT

HYMN 182 "O Come, Emmanuel"

By the Choir, all rise and join on 3rd stanza

HYMN 183 Reading of 2nd stanza

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Heb. 1:4-13; Luke 1:26-33

*HYMN 194 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

HYMN 183 Reading of 3rd Stanza

ANTHEM "Joy to the World"

The Choir

PRAYER (unison)

O loving Father, who hast brought us again
to the season when we commemorate the birth
of Thy Son, Jesus of Nazareth, grant that
His Spirit may be born anew in our hearts
this day, and that we may joyfully welcome

Him to reign over us. Open our ears that
we may hear again the angelic chorus of
old; open our lips that we may sing with
uplifted hearts, "Glory to God in the
Highest, and on earth peace to men of
good-will. Amen.

HYMN 196 (seated) "As with Gladness Men of Old"
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN 203 "Wisemen Seeking Jesus"

MESSAGE "Thoughts from Bible Lands Trip"
John and Bertha McTaggart

SOLO "I Walked Today where Jesus Walked"
W. C. Wickum

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (Please move in to
center aisle)

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE "Blest Be the Tie"

THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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Greeters today are Harold and Stephen Bougher.

We all appreciate the opportunity to hear from
the McTaggarts this morning.

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 5:00 "The Green of Christmas" by
Mrs. Charles Elliot. Sponsored
by the WMS. For all.

TUESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 "Frontiers of the Spirit."

NEXT SUNDAY special 5:00 Family Christmas!!