



First Baptist Church
Bulletins and
Order of Worship
1972

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Delaware, Ohio

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The purpose of this Church is the study and practice of the Way of Jesus Christ. This is a pathway of freedom which binds no person to a creed but sets each one free to follow the Light of Christ within him.

VACATION CHRIST

Christ walks vacation roads. He knows
Each reaching thoroughfare,
To what inviting spot it goes,
And all who journey there.

The One who shares the crowded way
With workers all the year
Would hardly leave them when the day
Of rest and change is near.

Christ walks vacation roads with us
And by His grace untold
He makes them quite as marvelous
As roads He trod of old.

Vacation highways may become,
Like those of Galilee,
The way to an Emmanus home
Or one at Bethany.

- Clarence Edwin Flynn

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION
THE PRAYER to be offered in unison

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

*HYMN, 451 "Here at Thy Table, Lord"

THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 24:13-31

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*THE RESPONSE No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY "Here Is the Key"

THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation
Words of Instruction
Prayer of Blessing
Communion
Thanksgiving

*HYMN, 107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

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Choir Director, W. C. Wickam
Organist, Mrs. Charles M. Brown
Chief Ushers, Bob Stephenson and Rick VanBrimmer

WE ARE HAPPY to welcome visitors to our church today.
Will you sign the guest book in the vestibule? If you
do not have a church home in Delaware, we cordially
invite you to consider our church.

THE MARION ASSOCIATION'S MEN'S BROTHERHOOD will have
a dinner meeting Tuesday, August 8, at 7:00 P.M. at the
Allen Center Baptist Church. The cost of the meal will
be \$1.50 per person. The program will be presented by
the youth who recently visited Haiti as part of a de-
nominational tour. Reservations should be given to the
minister today.

AN ORDINATION service is scheduled for next Sunday
night, August 13, at the Trinity Baptist Church, Marion.
To be ordained is John D. Keplar. Time is 7:30 P. M.
A reception for Mr. Keplar and his family will be held
after the service.

THE ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE will be held this week,
11-13, at Westerville, Ohio on the campus of Otterbein
College.

The Gospel of John will be the basis of our Sunday
Lessons and Wednesday night Bible study this fall. It
is essential that you read the gospel; attend all the
services if it is to be of practical help for you.

(fill in, tear off, and place in the box on the table
in the vestibule. Thanks)

Please sing the following hymns : _____

Please speak on the following subject(s) _____

(use back of bulletin if necessary)

**behold your King
is coming to you**



Through the gates of Jerusalem our Lord enters on His royal mission. By many He is unrecognized. The words of the prophet remind us that He is indeed our King.



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God is my help in every need;
God does my every hunger feed;
God walks beside me, guides my way
Through every moment of the day.

I now am wise, I now am true,
Patient, kind, and loving too.
All things I am, can do, and be
Through Christ, the Truth that is in me.

God is my health, I can't be sick;
God is my strength, unfailing, quick;
God is my all, I know no fear,
Since God and love and Truth are here,
- Hannah More Kohaus

The poem above has had an enormous circulation. It has had a ministry of help and healing for many people. Despite its apparent simplicity, it carries a capacity to reach the deeper levels of the mind, and there it releases the powers of transformation.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
*HYMN, 94 "O Worship the King"
*PRAYER OF EXPECTATION
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

A RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING
Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;
Minister: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
People: who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
Minister: who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments;
Minister: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
People: In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.
(from Psalms 103:1-5; Proverbs 3:1,5,6)

SPECIAL MUSIC
THE SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 14:10-29
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*THE RESPONSE No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY "Faith for this Moment"

MORNING PRAYERS Silence
Presentation of Needs
*HYMN, 431 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

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GOD IS LOVE . . .

The words ring
with a hollow sound
until the arms
of all His children
find their way around
each other.

- Mildred N. Hoyer

A man's mind
plans his way,
but the Lord
directs his steps.
Proverbs 16:9



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Morning Worship
October 22, 1972

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Enter His church with thanksgiving,
Go into His sanctuary with praise!
Give thanks to Him and praise Him!

The Lord is good;
His love lasts forever,
And His faithfulness for all time!
Psalm 100:4,5

If we want to be healthy and vitally alive, we must not allow ourselves to fall into negative ways of thinking. Let us not go along with those who talk about and think about disease and ill health. Let us not be talked into feeling old or decrepit by those who remind us that at "our age" we can expect distress and weakness. God's life is pure and powerful, and we can abide in this life so that we feel young, strong, and energetic.
from Daily Word

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 a.m.

THE PRELUDE		Mrs. Brown
INTROIT		The Choir
GREETING & RESPONSE		
*HYMN, 122	"Come, Thou Almighty King"	
*INVOCATION		
OLD TESTAMENT READING		No. 31
ANTHEM	"Peace Be Still"	Palmer
NEW TESTAMENT READING		John 2:1-11
THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
*THE RESPONSE		The Doxology
SOLO	"They that Wait upon the Lord"	Humphreys
	W. C. Wickum	
THE MORNING PRAYERS		The Lord's Prayer
		Silence
LESSON FOR TODAY	"The Eye of the Fish"	
*HYMN, 360 (stanzas 1, 4)	"Are Ye Able?"	
*BENEDICTION		Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE		Mrs. Brown

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NEWS AND VIEWS will be available next Sunday. Deadline for news is Wednesday night. Items of personal information are needed.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY	7:15 Choir Rehearsal.
	8:00 Bible study in the Fellowship Hall.
SATURDAY	7:30 Halloween party sponsored by the Grcan-ups. Please come in costume.
NEXT SUNDAY	9:15 Classes for all ages. All classes, <u>including adults</u> , begin at 9:15!!!
	10:30 Morning Worship. Reformation Sunday. Lesson: "Freedom in the Sonlight."

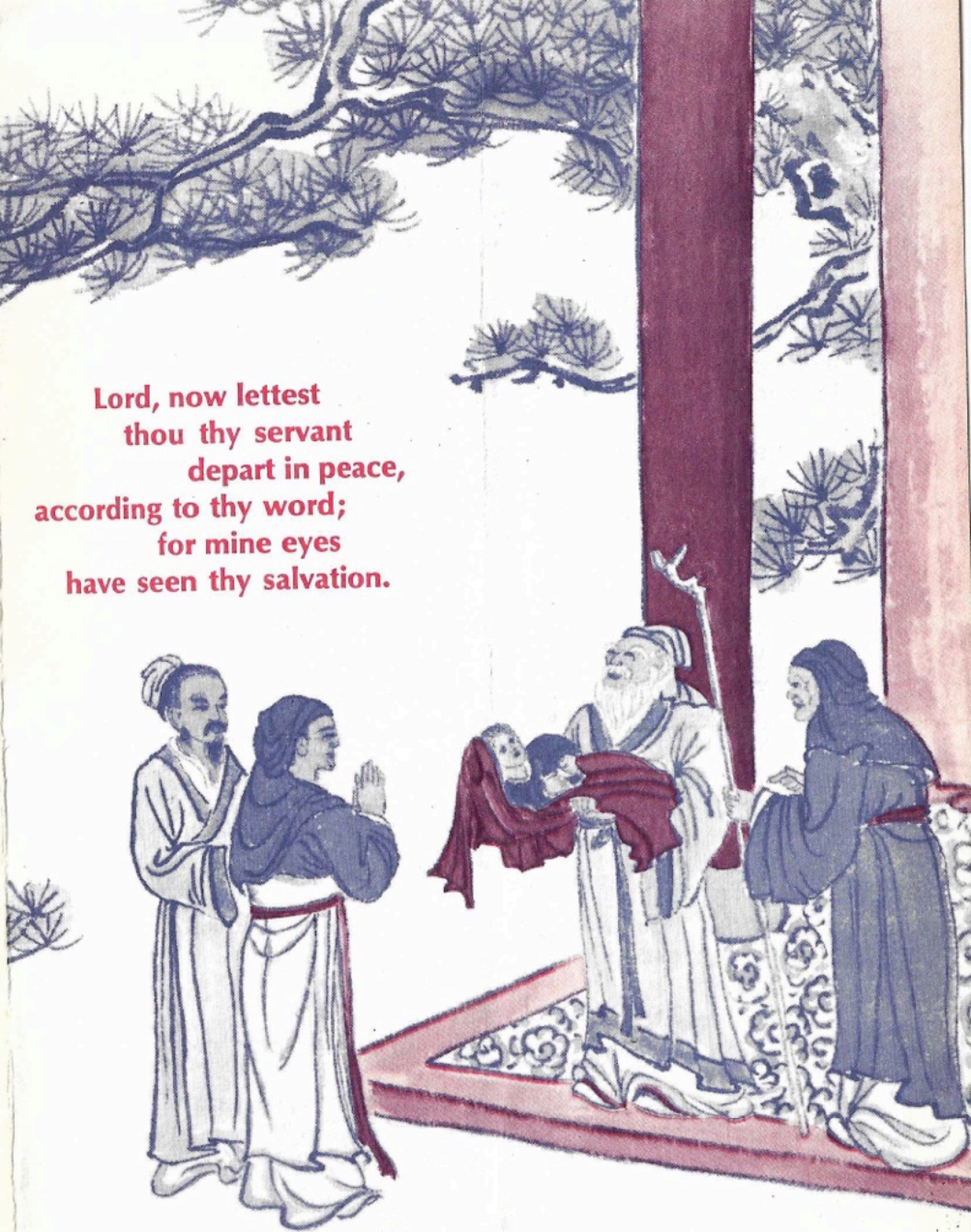
We have obtained 50 additional hymnals from the Karl Rd. Baptist Church - total cost, \$25.00! This was accomplished thru the efforts of Fred Grubbs and with permission of the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses.

Once in ancient India there was a tournament held to test marksmanship in archery. A wooden fish was set up on a high pole and the eye of the fish was the target. One by one many valiant princes came and tried their skill, but in vain. Before each one shot his arrow the teacher asked him what he saw, and invariably all replied that they saw a fish on a pole at a great height with head, eyes, etc.; but Arjuna, as he took his aim, said: "I see the eye of the fish," and he was the only one who succeeded in hitting the mark.

Paramananda

He who knows the secret of the eye of the fish will discover the abundant life that Jesus called "the Kingdom of God."

**Lord, now lettest
thou thy servant
depart in peace,
according to thy word;
for mine eyes
have seen thy salvation.**



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Morning Worship

December 31, 1972

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Talk, if you will, of hero deed,
Of clash of arms and battle wonders;
But speak not of your Christian creed
Preached by the bombers' murderous thunder.

Be what you will, entire and free,
Christian or warrior - the choice before us;
But not the rank hypocrisy
Of warlike followers of Jesus.
- Ernest Crosby

You call me Master and obey me not,
You call me way and walk me not,
You call me wise and follow me not,
You call me light and see me not,
You call me gracious and trust me not,
You call me just and fear me not,
If I condemn you, blame me not.
- carved in the Cathedral
of Lubeck, Germany

Jesus said, "Put down your sword, Everyone who
lives by the sword will die by the sword."

For Jesus is our peace.
- Eph. 2:14a

Violence ceases not by violence, but violence
ceases only by love.
- Buddha

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 am

THE PRELUDE
INTROIT
*HYMN, 190
*THE INVOCATION
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Mrs. Brown
The Choir
"Joy to the World"

No. 1

ANTHEM "In the Bleak Midwinter" trad.
(arr. by W. C. & Jean Wickum, Doris Smale)
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE No. 422
THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 1:18-25

LESSON FOR TODAY "The Dreams of Christmas"

MEDITATION
*HYMN, 191 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"
*THE BENEDICTION Choral Amen
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
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We express our thanks to all those who worked so dili-
gently to enhance our Christmas season in the Church
and Church School.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 4:00 Junior Choir rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.
8:00 Bible study.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School classes. Adults
will meet first in assembly room
for brief hymnsing.
10:30 Holy Communion.

As this new year dawns, I see it as a new beginning. I
expect new opportunities to open to me. I expect to be
more capable of meeting life successfully. I release
from my thinking any limitations I have consciously or
unconsciously accepted for myself. I seek to serve
rather than to be served. I set about to make
adequate preparations. I am confident that many new
roads will open to me.

from Daily Word