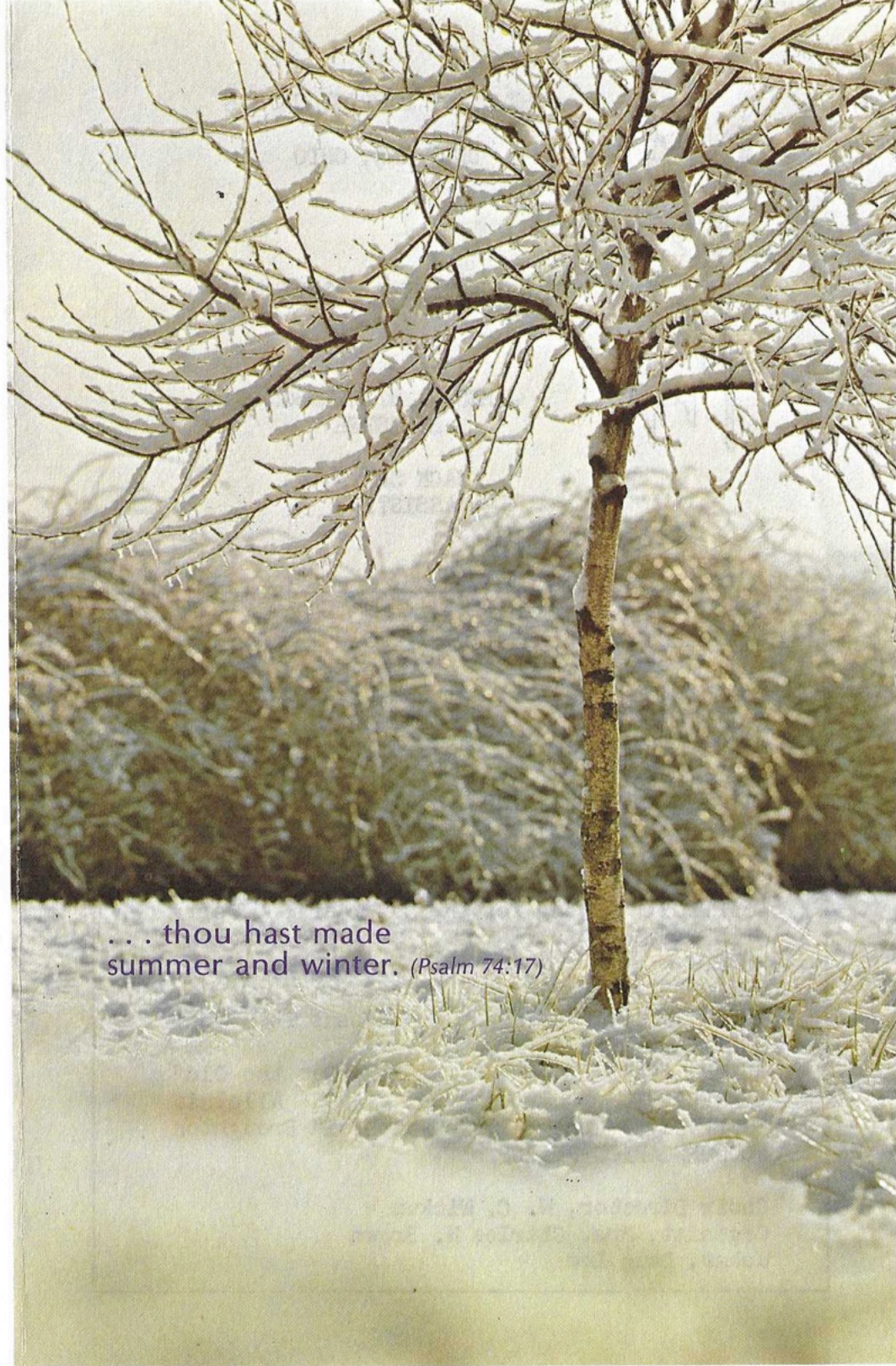




First Baptist Church  
Bulletins and  
Order of Worship  
1977

Missing several



... thou hast made  
summer and winter. *(Psalm 74:17)*





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

JANUARY 2, 1977

JAMES B. STEPHENSON,  
MINISTER

JACK SMITH,  
ASSISTING

OPPORTUNITIES -

MONDAY	7:00 Bd. of Ch. Ed. 8:00 Teachers
TUESDAY	7:00 Healing Group 7:45 Bible study
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir

NEWS AND VIEWS will be available next Sunday. Deadline for contributions is this Wednesday, Jan. 5.

The Marion Association's American Baptist Men's Brotherhood will hold its annual Wives Banquet on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 6:30pm at the Grand Prairie Church. Reservations must be phoned to the Church Office or given to Steve by next Sunday.

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION 10:45am

PRELUDE "My Faith Is An Oaken Staff" Landon  
 CALL TO WORSHIP  
 \*HYMN, #585 "O God Our Help"  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
 OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 1  
 ANTHEM "How Wonderful" Hughes  
 NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 5:17-26  
 SOLO "They that Wait" Rev. Edna Darling  
 OFFERTORY "Song for the New Year" Perry  
 \*RESPONSE The Doxology  
 LESSON "New Time"  
 FELLOWSHIP Offering  
 \*HYMN, #419 "Jesus Thou Joy"  
 HOLY COMMUNION  
 \*HYMN, #589 "Ring Out the Old"  
 \*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
 POSTLUDE "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Broughton  
 \*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown  
Usher, Doug Lee

NOTES

BIRTHDAYS

MONDAY	Nellie Dick
WEDNESDAY	Evelyn Lee
THURSDAY	Bob Smith

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“God . . . does not live in shrines made by man. . . .”

(Acts 17:24)

Here is a new year,  
Fresh and white.

Write on its pages  
With living light.

Here is a doorway  
To joys unknown.  
Walk through with faith  
And claim your own!

Here is a bright dawn  
of golden days.  
Lift up your eyes  
And shout His praise!  
- J. H. Ulp

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
Delaware, OH  
January 9, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Mrs. W. C. Wickum  
assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
INTROIT The Choir  
\*HYMN, #122 "Come Thou Almighty King"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 2  
ANTHEM "Epiphany Carol" 15th C. French Tune  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-15  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
LESSON "New Time"  
PRAYERS  
\*HYMN, #204 "We Three Kings"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
\*Congregation stands

Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown  
Choir Director, W. C. Wickum Usher, Doug Lee

## BIRTHDAYS

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

SATURDAY

Larry Faulk  
John Linn  
Forest Evans  
Claudia Eliot

## EVENTS . . .

TUESDAY

6:30 Ladies Night for  
the Marion Baptist  
Men at Grand  
Prairie Church.

(Our Healing Group  
& Bible Study will  
not meet)

WEDNESDAY

6:30 Covered Dish Dinner  
and annual meeting.

NEXT SUNDAY - Pulpit exchange of the  
Delaware Churches.  
Our speaker will be  
Rev. Raymond Hart-  
man.

*Mrs John Swickdimer  
Room 207  
Grody*

*George Young  
866*

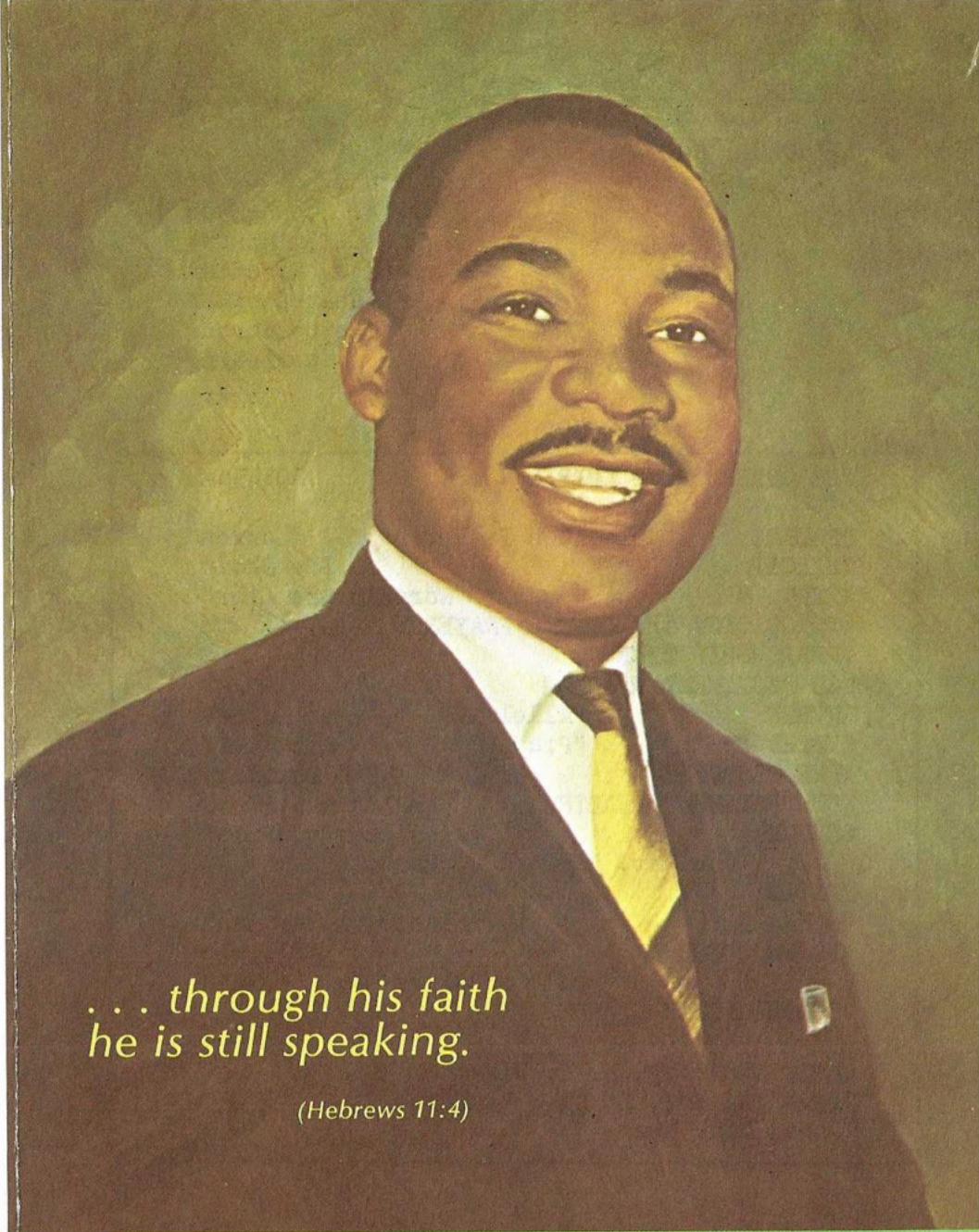
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*Thurs W.M.S. 7:30 - Church*

I want to travel as far as I can go,  
I want to reach the joy that's in my soul,  
And change the limitations that I know,  
And feel my mind and spirit grow.

I want to live, exist, "to be,"  
And hear the truths inside of me.  
Doris Warshay



*... through his faith  
he is still speaking.*

*(Hebrews 11:4)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH 1/16/77

DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Raymond J. Hartmann  
guest speaker  
Betty Porter  
assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP	10:45am
PRELUDE	"Lo, God Is Here" Landon
INTROIT	The Choir
*HYMN, #94	"O Worship the King"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER	
*FELLOWSHIP TIME	
OLD TESTAMENT READING	No. 2
ANTHEM	"Alleluia" Hughes
OFFERTORY	"Prayer" Arkadieff
*THE RESPONSE	The Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING	Matthew 5:17-20
SERMON	"Principles of Life" The Rev. Raymond J. Hartmann
PRAYER	
*HYMN, #412	"Blessed Assurance"
*BENEDICTION	Alleluia
POSTLUDE	"Psalm of Glory" Smith
*CONGREGATION STANDS	

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown  
Usher, Doug Lee

Today is pulpit exchange Sunday among the co-operating churches of Delaware County. Our guest, the Rev. Raymon J. Hartmann, is minister of the Zion United Church of Christ.

BIRTHDAYS

FRIDAY  
SATURDAY

Tim Fogle  
Ernestine Frost

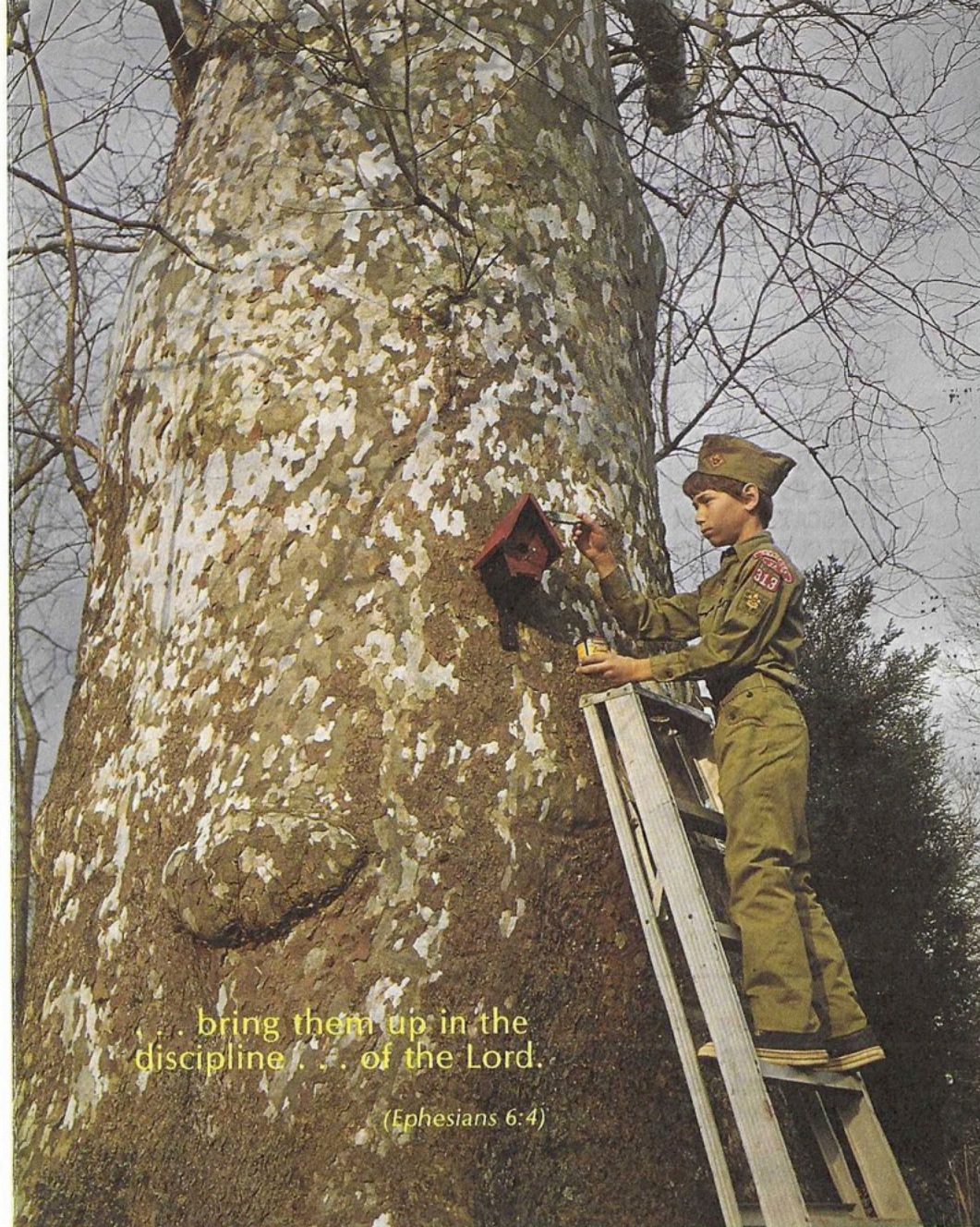
EVENTS

TUESDAY	7:00 Healing Group 7:45 Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:00 Morning Circle with Carol Fogle 7:30 Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	7:30 Shephard Circle with Frances Belt

I will resolve to make each day  
A New Year's Day this year.  
Each morning when I wake I say,  
"This day I cast out fear,  
Resentment, dread, all angry thought;  
Let kindness be my goal."  
I declare that Love, which I've sought,  
Reigns fully in my soul.  
- Della Adams Leitner

PRAYER OF THE GOLDFISH

O God, forever I turn in this hard crystal,  
so transparent, yet I can find no way out.  
Lord,  
deliver me from the cramp of this water  
and these terrifying things I see thru it.  
Put me back in the play of your torrents,  
in your limpid springs.  
- Carmen De Gasztold



... bring them up in the  
discipline . . . of the Lord.

*(Ephesians 6:4)*





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FEBRUARY 13, 1977

JAMES B. STEPHENSON MINISTER  
SANDRA CAGWIN ASSISTING  
W.C. WICKUM CHOIR DIRECTOR  
RUTH BROWN ORGANIST

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
INTROIT The Choir  
\*HYMN #97 "Holy Is The Lord"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 98 (unison)  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 5:27-32  
RECOGNITION OF SCOUTS  
A SPECIAL MESSAGE  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
LESSON "Levi's Secret"  
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS  
\*HYMN #308 "O Jesus I Have Promised"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
(\*Congregation Stands)

Today is Boy Scout Sunday.  
We are happy to welcome  
scouts and their leaders  
to our worship.

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



Trust God and live one day  
at a time.

M.H. Tester

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 11:45 Trustees  
6:00 Jr High at the  
Presbyterian Church  
7:00 Sr High at St Peter's

TUESDAY 7:00 Healing Group  
7:45 Bible Study  
(Isaiah 53)

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal  
9:00 Morning Circle with  
Carol Foglo. Bring  
crayons and scissors.

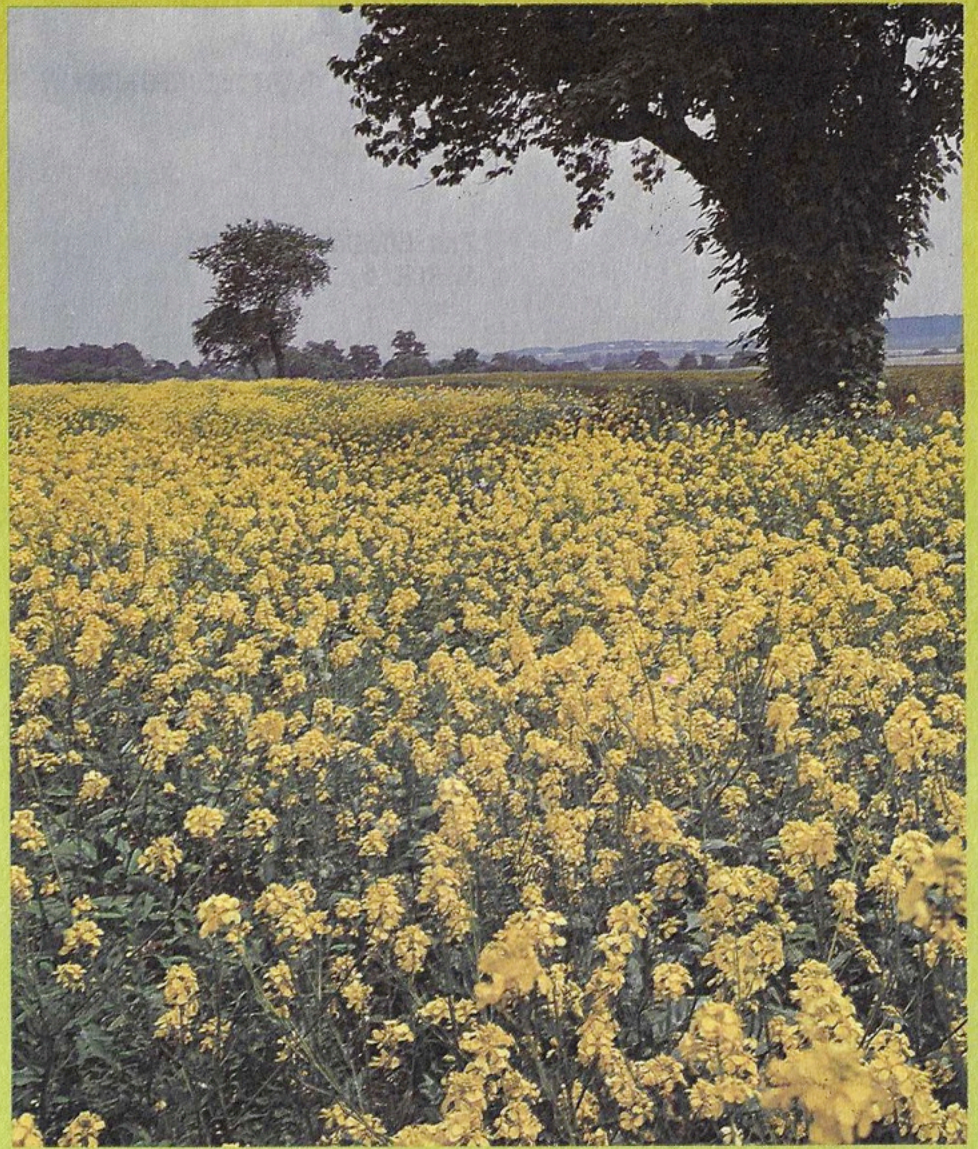
NEXT SUNDAY BLANKET SUNDAY

BIRTHDAY Ray Faulk - Saturday

The greatest discovery of my  
generation is that human  
beings can alter their lives  
by altering their attitudes  
of mind.

William James (1842-1910)

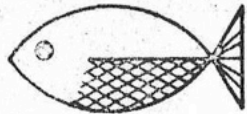




**“ . . . if you have faith  
as a grain of mustard seed. . . .”**

*(Matthew 17:20)*





LENT

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

2nd SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 6, 1977

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, minister  
POLLY FOCKE, assisting

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION 10:45am

PRELUDE "The Altar of the Heart" Nordman

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT The Choir

\*HYMN, #107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 25

ANTHEM "Jesu, Holy Spirit" Mozart

A SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER Choral Response

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 4:1-15

SOLO W. C. Wickum

OFFERTORY "The Church in the Wildwood" Pitts

\*RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "Tempted to Christ"

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today,  
and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING

\*HYMN, #228 "When I Survey the Cross"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #290 "I've Found a Friend"

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE "D Minor and Major" Scheidemann

\*congregation stands

Organist, Ruth Brown  
Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Chief Usher, Doug Lee

opportunities this week . . .

today	6:00 Junior Highs at 1st Presbyterian.
	7:00 Senior Highs at St. Peter's.
monday	7:30 Bd. of Christian Ed.
tuesday	7:00 Healing Group.
	7:45 Bible study. Read Philippians 1.
wednesday	9:00 Church World Service workday with Sandy Cagwin. For all women. Bring sack lunch.
	7:30 Choir rehearsal.
thursday	7:30 Women's Mission Society with Cagwins.

BIRTHDAYS

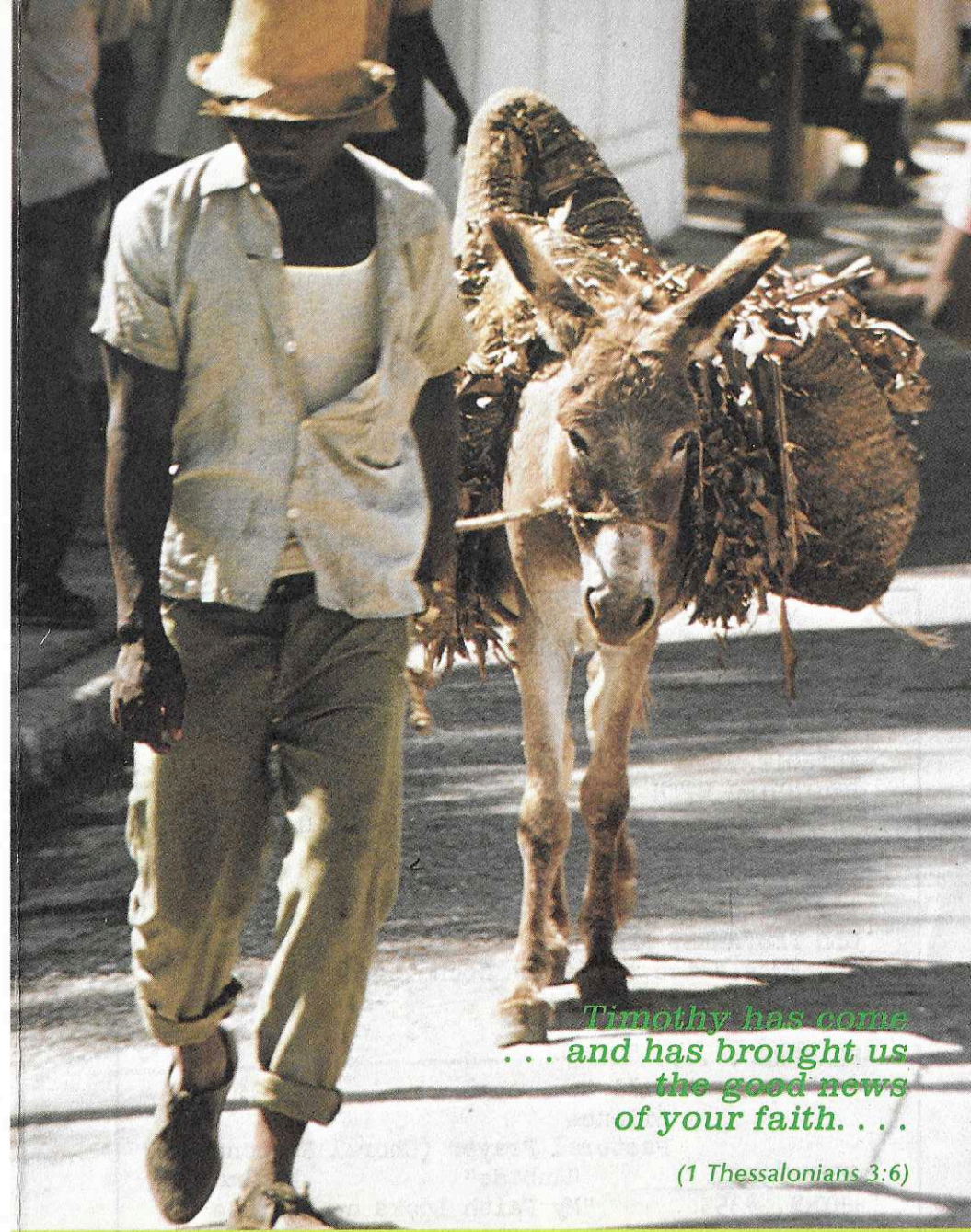
Mary Barkeloo  
Annette Ringly

TODAY  
WEDNESDAY

NEWS AND VIEWS is available today.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED to share in our Tuesday night Healing Group and Bible Study. Attend both or either one of interest to you. The Bible study will spend several weeks on PHILIPPIANS.

WE WELCOME VISITOR to our worship. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule. And worship with us again!



*Timothy has come  
... and has brought us  
the good news  
of your faith. ...*

*(1 Thessalonians 3:6)*



THIRD  
SUNDAY  
IN  
LENT



THE FIRST  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
delaware  
ohio  
march 13, '77

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Della J. Nofsinger  
assisting

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION	10:45am
PRELUDE	"Matin" Young
INTROIT	The Choir
BEGINNING WITH . . . .	
*HYMN, #157	"All Creatures of Our God"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER	
*FELLOWSHIP TIME	
OLD TESTAMENT READING	No. 41
ANTHEM "A Voice to Heaven Sounding"	Bortniansky
NEW TESTAMENT READING	Luke 6:12-26
PRAYERS . . . .	
	Call to Prayer
	Silence
	Pastoral Prayer (Choral Response)
OFFERTORY	"Aubade" Kohlman
*HYMN, #355	"My Faith Looks up to Thee"
LESSON	"Second Step"
*HYMN, #281	"Jesus Calls Us"
*BENEDICTION	Alleluia
POSTLUDE	"Hymn of Joy" Beethoven
*congregation stands	

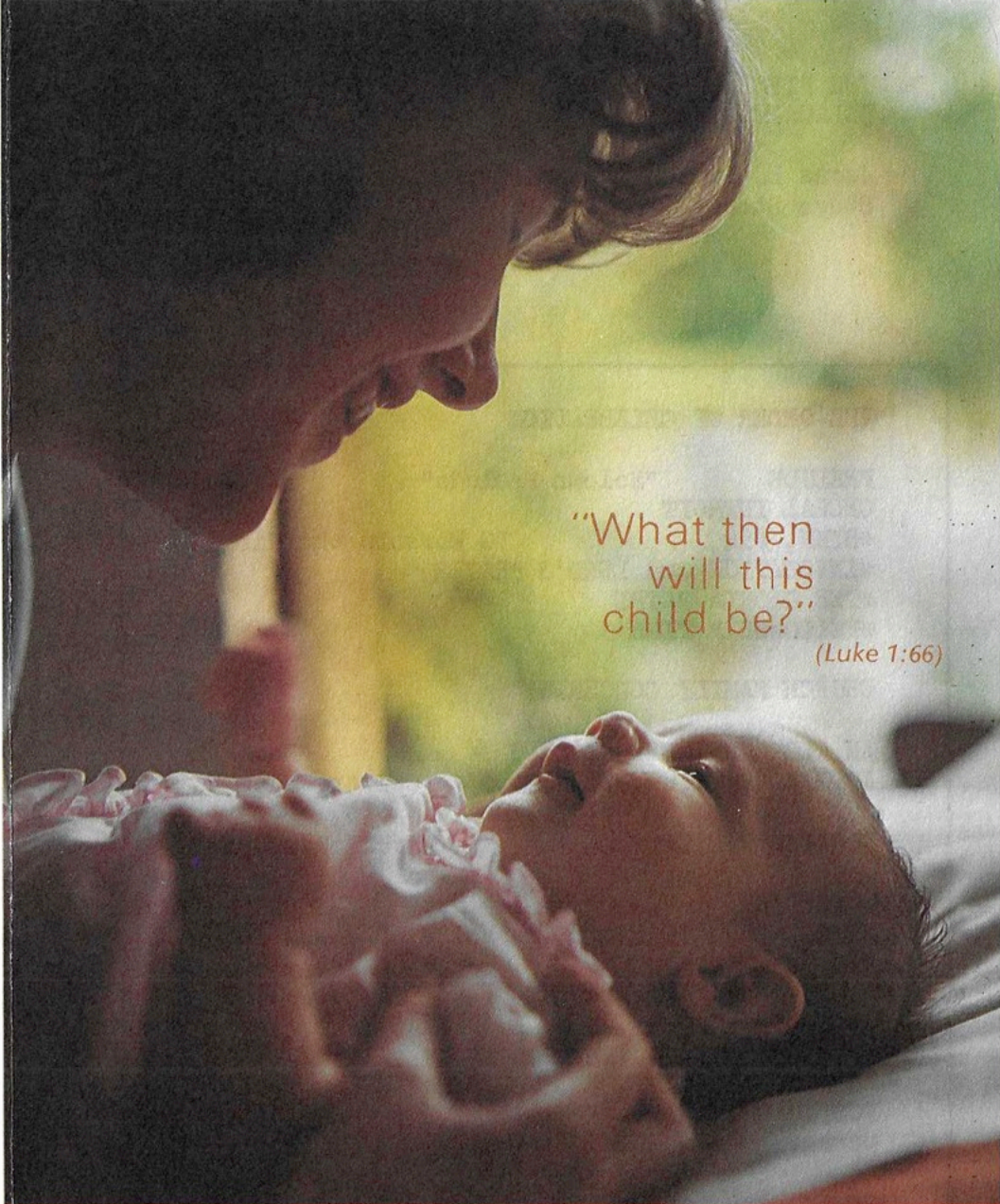
assisting in the service of worship are  
Ruth Brown, organist  
Mary L. Lovell, guest director  
W. C. Wickum, choir director  
Doug Lee, chief usher

opportunities this week . . .

today	6:00 Junior Hi's at Presby- terian church.
	7:00 Senior Hi's at St. Peter's church.
tuesday	7:00 Healing Group.
	7:45 Bible study. Read Philippians 1 & 2.
wednesday	9:00 Morning Circle with Evelyn Lee.
	7:30 Choir rehearsal.
thursday	7:30 Eva Shephard Circle at the church.

Our services of evangelism and renewal with Dr. William Bowser, minister of the Karl Rd. Baptist Church in Columbus, are set for Wednesday, March 30, Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, all at 7:30pm. Child care will be provided at each service. The Board of Deacons and Deaconess request volunteers for phoning and visiting prior to our meetings. If you feel led to offer your time, please contact the minister or Jim VanBrimmer, chr. of the board.

LENT IS FOR dedication and deeper faith. If you wish to make a decision to follow Jesus; or to unite with this church; or to renew a decision made in the past; you are invited to come forward during the last hymn.



“What then  
will this  
child be?”

*(Luke 1:66)*

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Steve Stoner, assisting

4th Sunday in Lent  
March 20, 1977

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION 10:45am

PRELUDE "Solemn Prelude" Larson

CHORAL INTROIT

\*HYMN, #94 "O Worship the King"

\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 28

ANTHEM "Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary" Moore

MORNING PRAYERS Choral Response

OFFERTORY "Teach Me Thy Way" Landon

\*HYMN, #288 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

A NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 9:28-36

LESSON "The Geography of Salvation"

\*DEDICATION HYMN, #235 "Beneath the Cross"

POSTLUDE "Postlude" Rinck

\*congregation stands

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum

Organist - Ruth Brown

Guest Organist - Betty Porter

Chief Usher - Doug Lee

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule. You are cordially invited to share in the other activities of our fellowship.

The rose on the altar is in honor of Jennifer Beth Stephenson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ted Stephenson of Indianapolis, Ind. Jennifer was born at 9:50pm, March 17.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Helen Aleshire  
Carey Beth Fogle

Thursday  
Friday

#### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today 6:00 Bd. of Deacons & Deaconesses.

6:00 Junior Hi youth at the Presbyterian Church.

7:00 Senior Hi youth at St. Peter's Church.

Tuesday 7:00 Healing Group.

7:45 Bible study. Read Philippians 2.

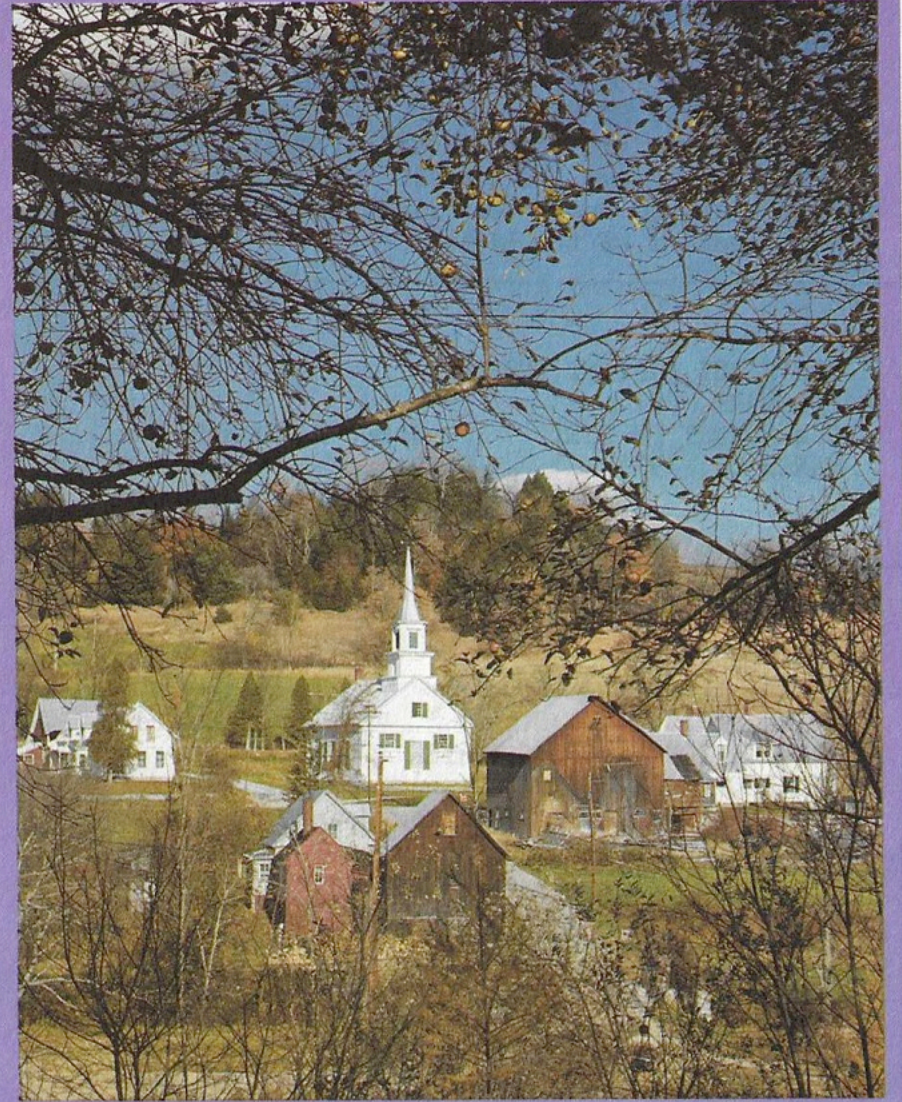
Wednesday 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

Our services of renewal with Dr. William Bowser as our leader are scheduled for March 30 - April 1, each beginning at 7:30pm. Care for babies and small children will be available at each service.

NEWS AND VIEWS will publish next Sunday. All materials must be at the church office no later than Wednesday night.

You did not choose me, but I chose you.

John 15:16a



... Christ is the  
head of the church. . . .

*(Ephesians 5:23)*





WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE THIS MORNING . . . MAY THE TRUTH WE SEEK FIND US. OUR FEELING TOWARD YOU IS EXPRESSED IN THESE WORDS FROM A HYMN:

From hand to hand the greeting flows;  
From eye to eye the signals run;  
From heart to heart the bright faith glows;  
The seekers of the Light are one!

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
5th SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 27, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Sandra Cagwin  
assisting

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
CHORAL INTROIT  
\*HYMN, #110 "Praise the Lord"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP  
ANTHEM "O Sacred Head now Wounded" Bach  
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 24  
SOLO "Man of Sorrows" Peterson  
Jean Ekelberry  
MORNING PRAYERS Choral Response  
A SPECIAL MESSAGE Sandra Cagwin  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
LESSON "How the Church Can Be the Door  
to a New and Richer Life"  
\*HYMN, #296 "Take My Life and Let It Be"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

\* congregation stands

Choir director, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Ruth Brown  
Chief usher, Doug Lee

Our services of renewal with Dr. William Bowser begin Wednesday at 7:30pm. They will continue at the same time Thursday and Friday nights. Baby and child care will be available at each service. May we expect you each night? And invite your friends.

NEWS AND VIEWS is available this morning. Make sure you get your copy.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TODAY	6:00 Jr. Hi youth at 1st Presbyterian
	7:00 Sr. Hi youth at St. Peter's
TUESDAY	7:00 Healing Group
	7:45 Preparation for our renewal services
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Service of renewal
THURSDAY	7:30 Service of renewal
FRIDAY	7:30 Service of renewal

The only person even  
more beautiful  
than you are today is  
the person you will  
be tomorrow!

- Robert Moore

. . . when you are centered in Jesus His  
beauty will be reflected in all that you do.

Seventh Word - Soli for Soprano, Tenor and Baritone with  
Chorus

*And with a loud voice Jesus cried, exclaiming: It  
is finished!*

And He did bow His head, and rendered up His  
spirit. And it was about the sixth hour: and  
the sun was darkened, and the darkness covered the  
earth, until about the ninth hour: and the veil  
of the temple was rent and all the earth did  
quake; and the rocks were rent, and all the  
graves were opened wide.

Prayer: Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do  
praise Thee forever, for on the holy cross hast  
thou the work from sin redeemed.

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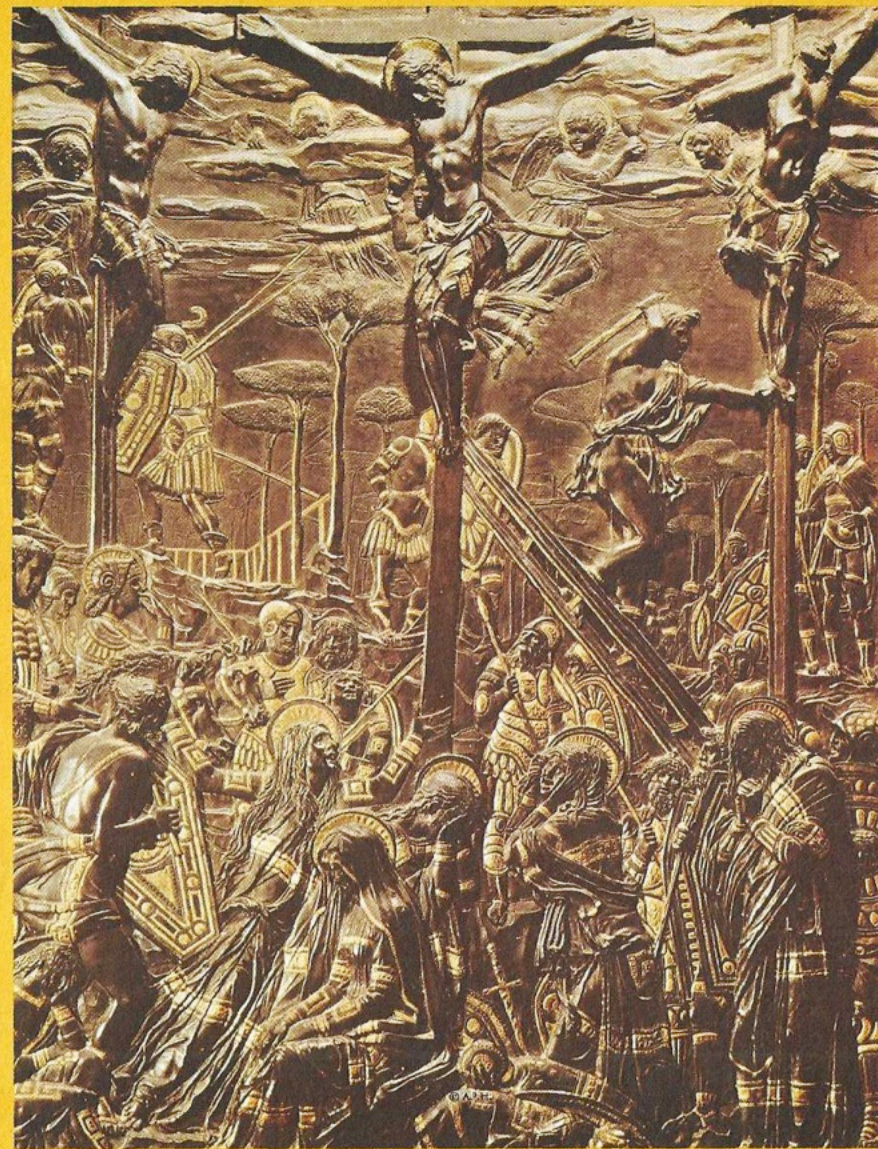
Director - Mr. Fred B. Grubbs

Organist - Miss Becky Parrish

Soprano Soloist - Mrs. Bill Westerman

Tenor Soloist - Mr. W. C. Wickum

Baritone Soloist - Mr. Thurman Davis



*the Seven Last Words* Father, forgive them;  
for they know not what they do. ✝ Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt  
thou be with me in Paradise. ✝ Woman, behold, thy son! Behold,  
thy mother! ✝ My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? ✝  
I thirst. ✝ It is finished. ✝ Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.

KARL ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH  
April 3, 1977  
7 p.m.

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE "Prayer" Mozart

INVOCATION

HYMN NO. 137 "Wondrous Love"

RESPONSIVE READING NO. 631 "The Incarnate Christ"

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST  
by Theodore Dubois

Introduction - Soprano Solo

O, all ye who travel upon the highway, hearken to me, and behold me; was e'er sorrow like unto my sorrow? For the Lord Almighty hath dealt bitterly with me. Call me now no more Naomi, from today call me Mara.

First Word - Baritone and Tenor Soli with Chorus

*Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.*

And the people clamored: He is death-guilty; take him, take him, let us crucify him! Be his blood on us, and on our children! Then they did crucify Jesus, and the two thieves, one at His right hand, the other at His left hand.

Second Word - Duet for Tenor and Baritone with Chorus

*Verily, thou shalt be in Paradise today with me. Amen, so I tell thee.*

Hear me, O Lord, and remember me, when Thou comest into Thy kingdom.

Third Word - Soli for Soprano, Tenor, Baritone with Chorus

*See, O woman! Here behold thy Son beloved.*

See yon mother, bowed in anguish,  
Who beside the cross doth languish,  
Where on high her son is borne;  
Is there mortal, who not feeleth  
To behold her where she kneeleth,  
So woeful, and all forlorn?

Fourth Word - Baritone Solo

*God, my Father, why hast Thou forsaken me?*

All those who were my friends, all have now forsaken me, and they that hate me do now prevail against me; and he whom I have cherished, he hath betrayed me. Even the vine that I have chosen, and that I have planted: wherefore art thou now so strangely turned into bitterness, that I by thee am crucified?

Fifth Word - Chorus and Soli for Tenor and Baritone

*I am athirst!*

And the Jews then passing by him, all did rail upon him and wagging their heads at him, they said unto him: Ah, thou wouldst fain destroy the temple; if thou be Jesus, Son of the Father, now from the cross descend thou that we behold it, and believe on thee when we behold it. If thou art king over Israel, save thyself, then!

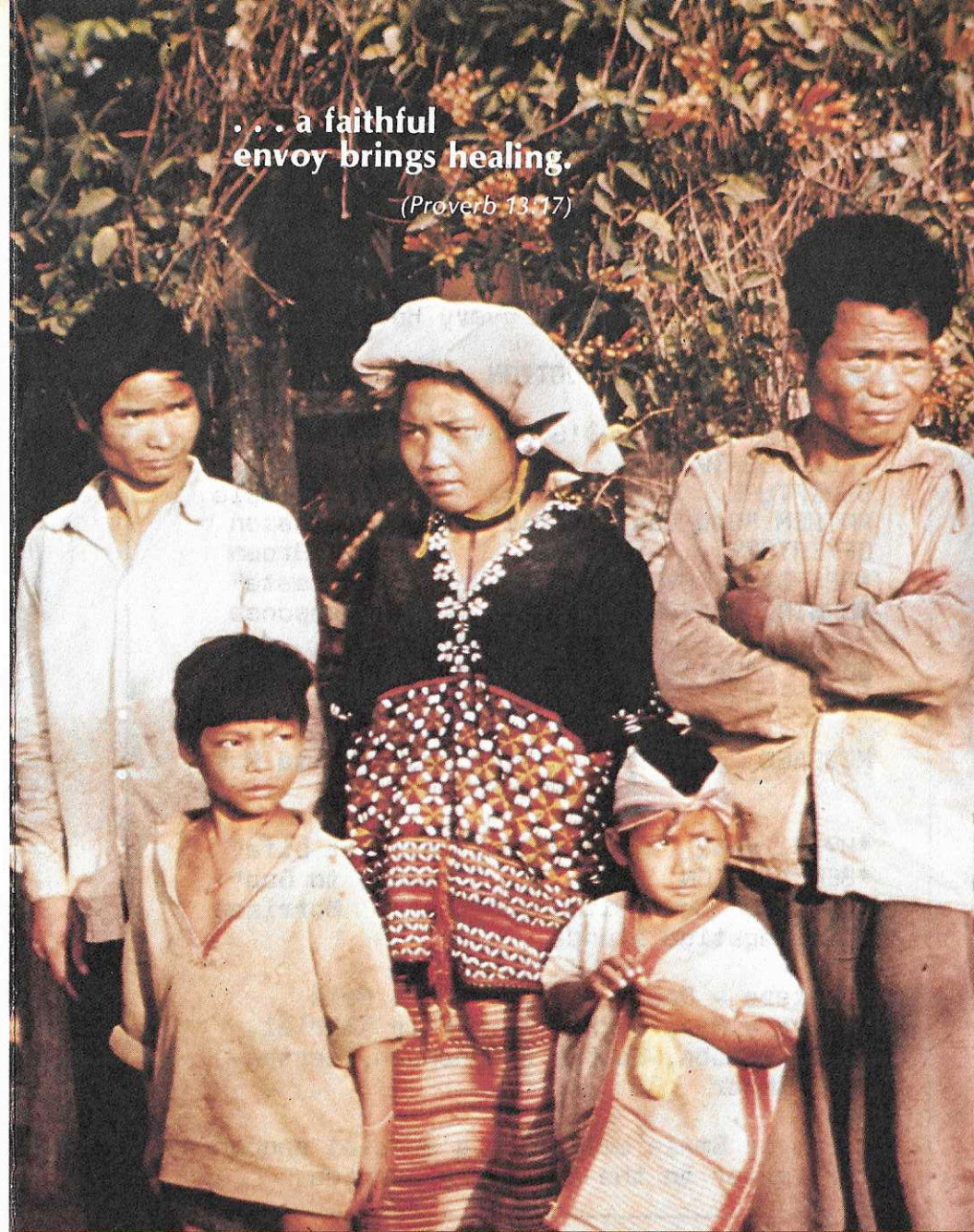
Sixth Word - Tenor Solo and Chorus

*Father, into Thy hands I commend my soul.*

For Thou art my God and my Father; Thou art my Saviour. Into Thy hands I commend my soul.

... a faithful  
envoy brings healing.

*(Proverb 13:17)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

April 17, 1977  
American Baptist Women's Sunday

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "I Need Thee every Hour" Lowry  
INTROIT "God Is!"  
WELCOME and INTRODUCTION Helen Aleshire  
\*HYMN, #388 "O Love"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER Sandra Cagwin  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
SCRIPTURE Colossians 2 Marjorie Smale  
ANTHEM "God Can Do this for Me" Johnston  
OFFERTORY Donna Brown  
\*RESPONSE, HYMN #529 "O Zion Haste"  
MORNING PRAYER Choral Response  
Jean Wickum  
SOLO "He'll Say well Done" Campbell  
Edna Darling

MESSAGE "What Missions mean to Me"  
Sylvia McCoy

\*HYMN, #442 "Wonderful Words of Life"  
\*BENEDICTION "Glory to God"  
POSTLUDE "Come with Rejoicing" Morrison  
\*congregation stands

Greeters - Della Dean, Frances Belt  
Ushers - Mary Barkeloo, Myrtle Gabriel,  
Carol Grubbs, Sophia Stephenson, Bertha  
VanBrimmer

Marjorie Smale will make a special announce-  
ment prior to the offertory service.

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

Organist, Ruth Brown  
Choir Director for today, Mary Lou Lovell

#### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY James & Sophia Stephenson  
FRIDAY Mary Dennis  
SATURDAY Nellie Sheets  
SUNDAY Michael Grubbs

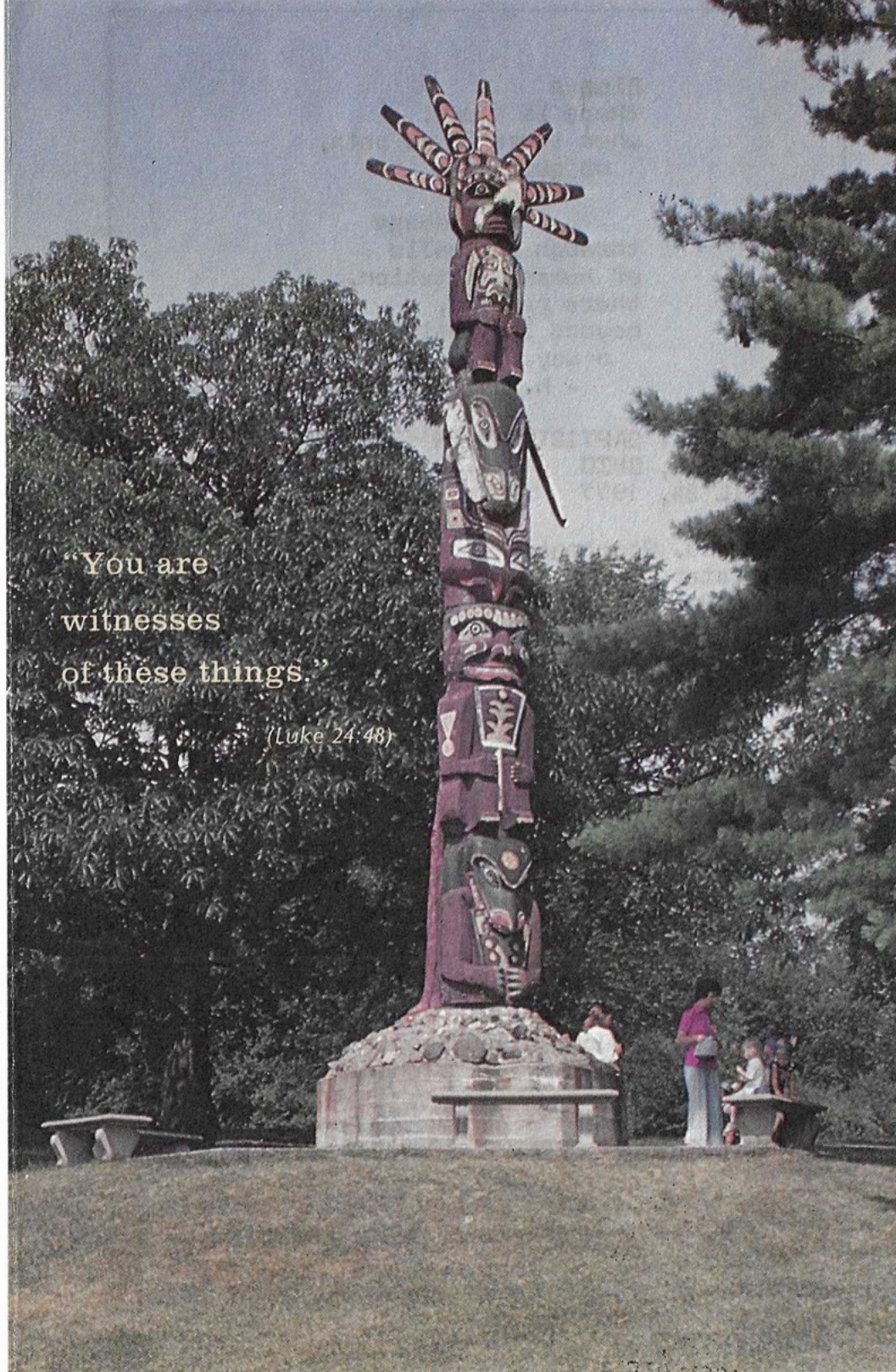
THE LOOSE OFFERING for today will be  
used for Haiti, Water within Walking  
(wells for India), and flood relief.  
Please be generous, the need is great.

#### OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY 6:00 Jr. Hi Youth at  
1st Presbyterian.  
7:00 Sr. Hi Youth at  
St. Peter's.  
7:30 Motion picture,  
"The Healing Min-  
istry of the  
Church."  
MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council.  
TUESDAY 7:00 Healing Group.  
7:45 Bible study.  
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir rehearsal.  
9:00 (A.M.) Morning  
Circle with  
Evelyn Lee. Work  
Day for all women  
at 1  
THURSDAY 9:30 Marion Assoc.  
Women at Spring-  
dale.  
NXT. SUNDAY 11:45 Business mt.

"You are  
witnesses  
of these things."

*(Luke 24:48)*



Always  
 there is a way;  
 when there is no path,  
 no gate,  
 no door,  
 no passage  
 through the walls  
 of human limitation,  
 there remains,  
 beyond limitation,  
 a way.  
 - M. L. VanGilder

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 DELAWARE, OHIO  
 APRIL 24, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
 minister  
 Jack Smith  
 assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
 INTROIT The Choir  
 \*HYMN, #95 "Joyful, Joyful"  
 \*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
 \*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.  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
 OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 20  
 ANTHEM "Come, Thou Fount" Bach  
 MORNING PRAYERS Choral Response  
 OFFERTORY  
 \*RESPONSE #422 (1st stanza)  
 NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5:43-48;  
 7: 7-14  
 LESSON "The Secret in the Soul"  
 \*HYMN, #346 "Take Time to be Wholly"  
 \*BENEDICTION Choral Response  
 POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
 \* congregation stands

helping us worship are  
 W. C. Wickum, choir director  
 Ruth J. Brown, organist  
 Douglas Lee, chief usher

WE WELCOME VISITORS to our church. May we have your name in our guest book in the vestibule? And we cordially invite you to share in the other activities of our fellowship.

#### BIRTHDAYS

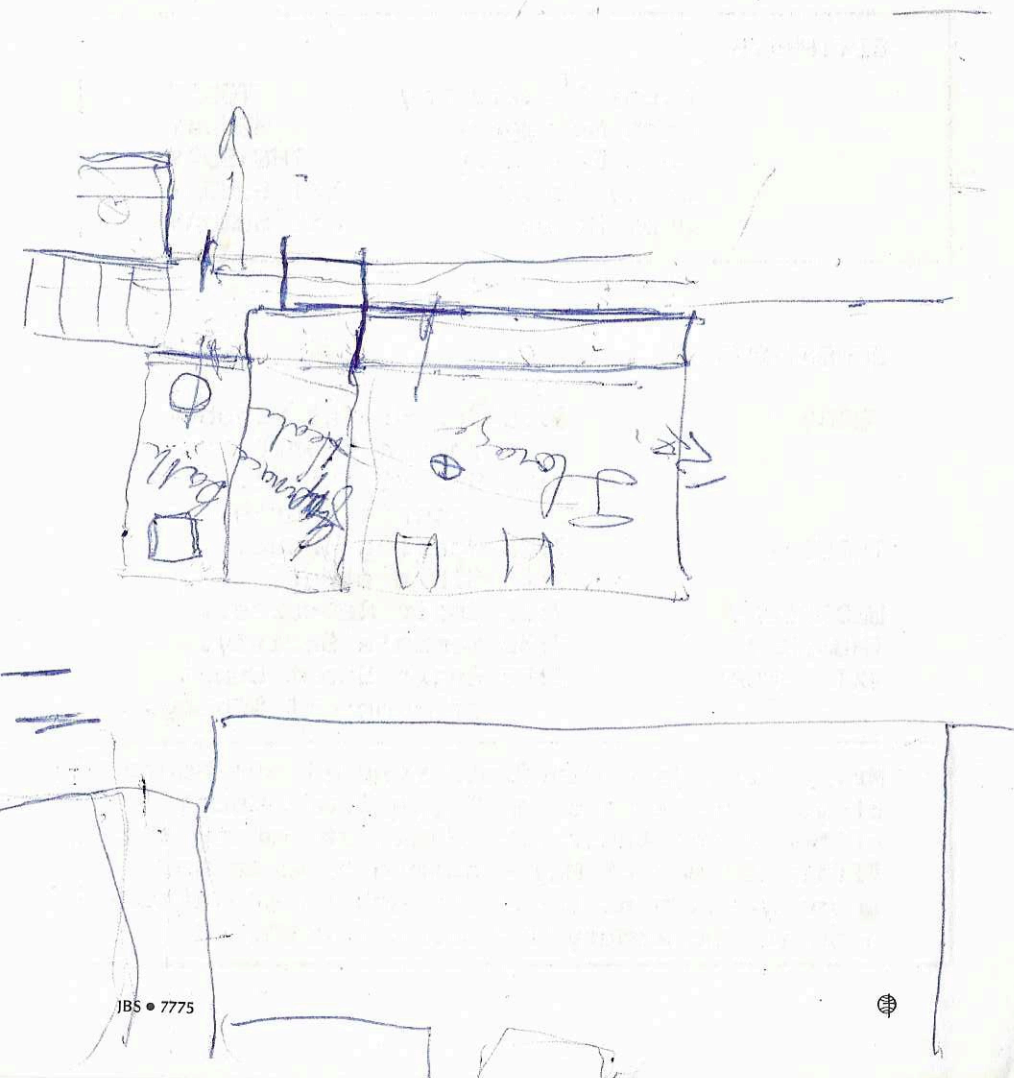
Michael Grubbs	TODAY
Nancy Westbrook	FRIDAY
Margaret Young	NXT SUNDAY

#### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	6:00 Jr. Hi's at 1st Presbyterian.
	7:00 Sr. Hi's at St. Peter's.
TUESDAY	7:00 Healing Group.
	7:45 Bible study.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

NEWS AND VIEWS is available today.

My mind and heart are open to the infinite love of God. The activity of this love establishes peace and order in my life.



Thy statutes have been my songs. . . . (Psalm 119:54)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 DELAWARE, OHIO  
 MAY 8, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
 minister  
 Jean M. Wickum  
 assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Songs My Mother Taught Me" Dvorak  
 CHORAL INTROIT

\*HYMN, #598 "Now Thank We All Our God"  
 \*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 19  
 ANTHEM "Glory of Easter" Peterson

RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS  
 SOLO "For My Mother" Malotte  
 W. C. Wickum

OFFERTORY "Ave Maria" Schubert

\*RESPONSE, The Doxology

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 7:11-17  
 LESSON "Does Mother Know Best?"

\*HYMN, # 480 "In Christ no East or West"

\*BENEDICTION "Alleluia"

POSTLUDE "Postlude" DeMonti

\*Congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Ruth J. Brown

Guest Organist, Betty Porter

BIRTHDAYS

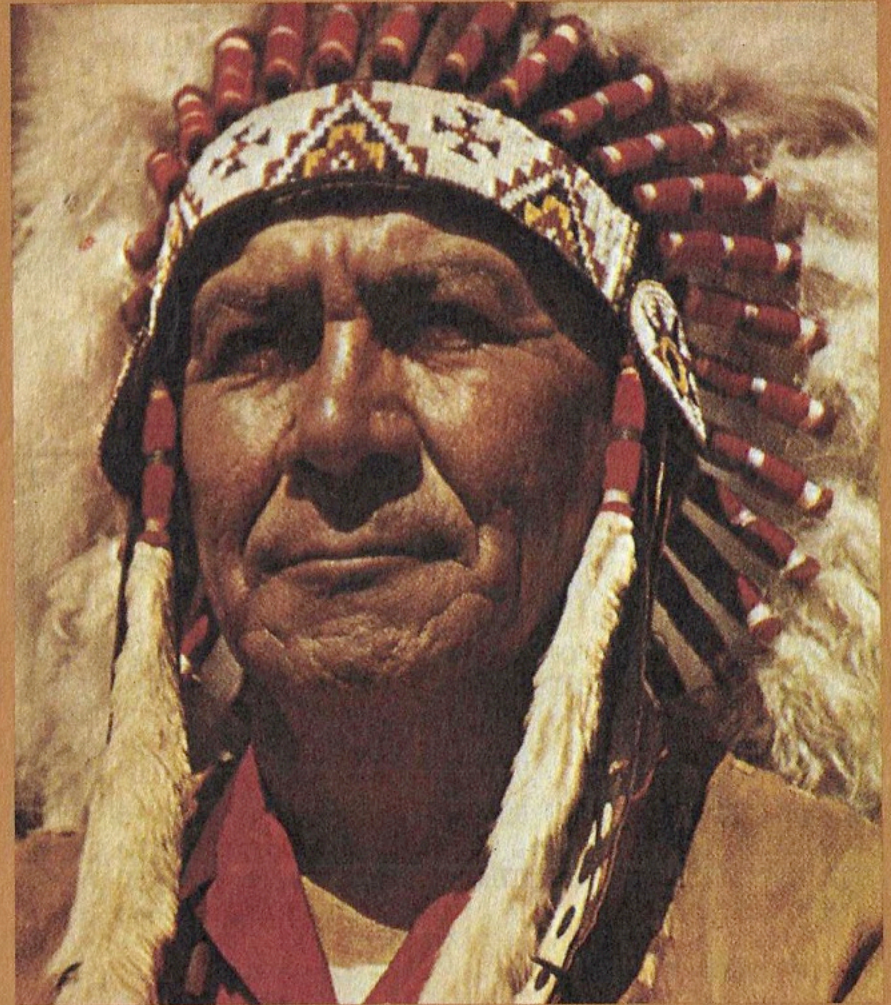
Michael Ekelberry	TODAY
John McTaggart	MONDAY
Jean Ekelberry	THURSDAY
Betty Porter	NXT SUNDAY
Jean Brower	NXT SUNDAY

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY	6:00 Jr. Hi. at Presby- terian Church.
	7:00 Sr. Hi. at St. Peter's Church.
TUESDAY	7:00 Healing Group.
	7:45 Bible study.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30 Women's Society.
NXT SUNDAY	3:00 Eagle Scout Court of Honor at Asbury.

Mr. & Mrs. John Mansfield request the honor of your presence at an Eagle Scout Court of honor for their son, Paul, on Sunday the fifteenth day of May nineteen hundred and seventy-seven at three o'clock in the afternoon in the Asbury Methodist Church.

God, the Lord, is  
my strength. . . .



*(Habakkuk 3:19)*

\* \* \* \* \*  
 \*Our failure to experience life in its fulness \*  
 \*is due primarily to our failure to express \*  
 \*life in its fulness. That which we send out \*  
 \*comes back; we reap as we sow; we receive as \*  
 \*we give. Let's remember that every thought \*  
 \*we think is something given, every word spoken \*  
 \*in the entire course of the day is a seed \*  
 \*sown, every purpose, emotion, desire, ambition \*  
 \*and vision within us is a cause which will \*  
 \*bring a result. (United Prayer Tower) \*  
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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 DELAWARE, OHIO  
 MAY 15, 1977

James B. Stephenson minister	W. C. Wickum Choir Director Ruth J. Brown Organist
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #262 "O for a 1000 Tongues to Sing"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE DOXOLOGY

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A READING FROM THE PSALMS (unison) Psalm 16

ANTHEM "Lead Me, Lord" Moliqye-Smith

A NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 4:16-30

MORNING PRAYERS Choral Response

OFFERTORY

\*RESPONSE, #422 (1st stanza)

LESSON "Spirits in Prison"

\*HYMN, #402 "Give to the Wind Thy Fears"

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

\* Congregation stands Doug Lee, Usher

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 Please sign our guest book in the vestibule.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

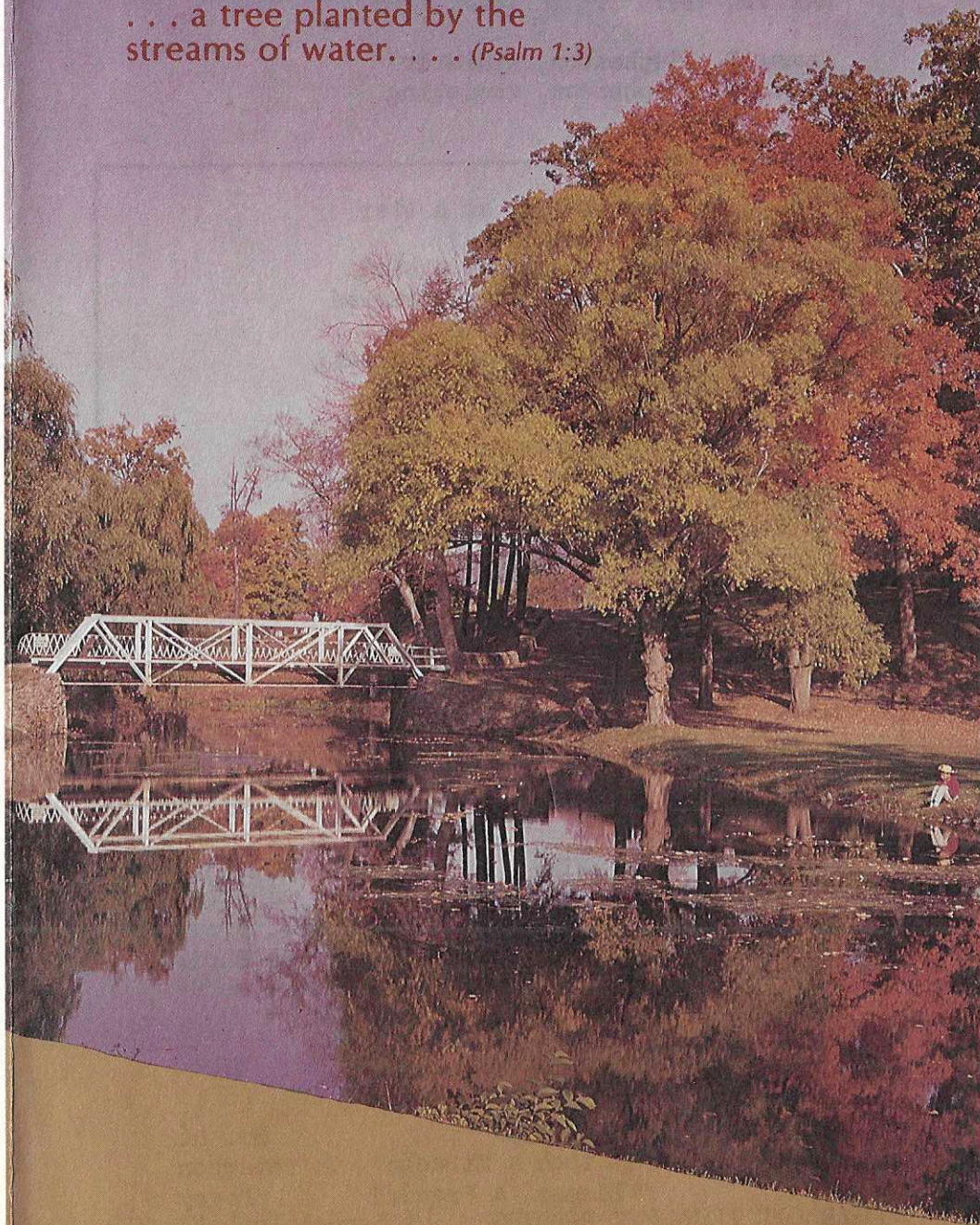
TODAY	Jean Brower
MONDAY	Dick & Jean Ekelberry
FRIDAY	Joe Brower

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	12:30	Salad Luncheon in Fellowship Hall honoring Jane Summers.
	3:00	Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Paul Mansfield at the Asbury Methodist Church.
	6:00	Jr. Hi. youth at 1st Presbyterian.
	7:00	Sr. Hi. youth at St. Peter's.
MONDAY	7:30	Parish Council.
TUESDAY	7:00	Healing Group.
	7:45	Bible study.
WEDNESDAY	9:00	Morning Circle at Linn's.
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30	Shephard Circle at Via's.
SATURDAY	7:30	Adult Social in the Fellowship Hall.

ALL-PRESENT ONE,  
 Whose life fills every cell  
 And gives health and strength to every living thing;  
 Renew within my body that perfect functioning  
 which is Your perfect will.  
 Recreate my strength, I pray,  
 And move within my mind, my nerves, my blood -  
 to make me strong with Your inflowing  
 power.  
 AMEN (Russell Shull)

... a tree planted by the  
streams of water. . . . (Psalm 1:3)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
MAY 22, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister  
James M. Stephenson, assisting

When you look at a star  
And it is not far;  
When the song of a bird  
Is your own heart stirred  
To voice its note  
In the bird's soft throat;  
When you feel and know  
That the ebb and flow  
Of the sea's salt flood  
Is your rhythmed blood;  
When a flower blooms  
And its sweet perfumes  
Distil in your heart  
As the petals part;  
When Life and you  
In flesh or clod  
Are One...not two...  
Then you know God.  
- Don Blanding

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
INTROIT The Choir  
\*HYMN, #98 "Praise to the Lord"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*THE DOXOLOGY  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
A NEW TESTAMENT READING No. 46  
ANTHEMS "It Took a Miracle" Peterson  
"Whisper a Prayer" Tovey  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE (1st only) No. 422

LESSON  
PRAYERS

"How to Find the Real You"  
Choral Response

\*HYMN, #361  
\*BENEDICTION  
POSTLUDE  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

"I Would Be True"  
"Alleluia"  
Mrs. Brown

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Ruth J. Brown  
Chief Usher, Doug Lee

#### BIRTHDAYS

Jean Wickum  
Donna Mann

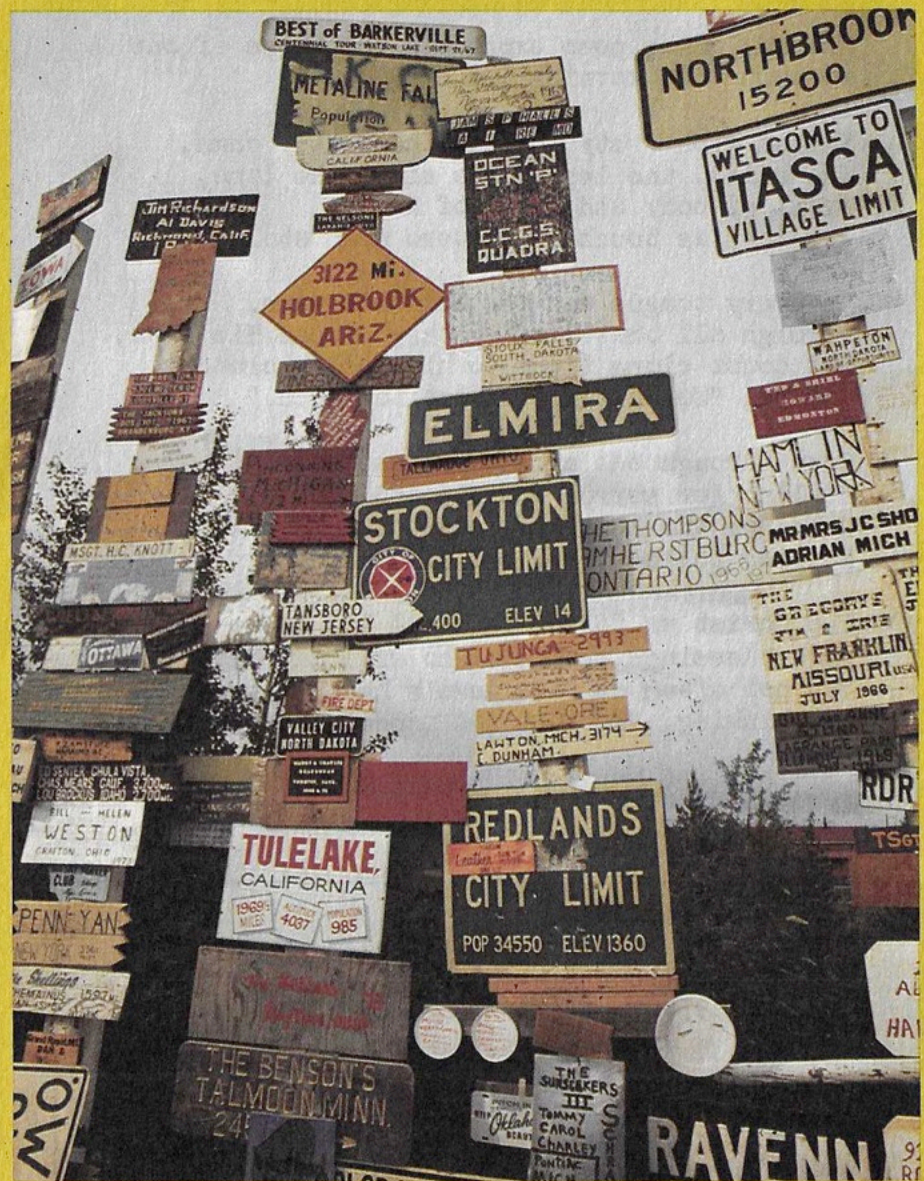
TUESDAY  
FRIDAY

#### OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY 6:00 Jr. Hi. at First  
Presbyterian  
7:00 Sr. Hi. at St. Peter's  
TUESDAY 7:00 Healing Group  
(No Bible study)  
WEDNESDAY 12:00 Spring Luncheon at 149  
Grandview  
7:30 Choir Rehearsal  
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes  
10:45 Sunday of Pentecost &  
New Testament Baptism

AN INSTALLATION SERVICE for our new executive minister, Dr. John A. Sundquist, will be held at 5:00pm in the First Baptist Church, Columbus. Reception follows.

NEWS AND VIEWS publishes next Sunday. Deadline for submissions is Thursday, 9:00am.



"Sir, we wish to see Jesus."

(John 12:21)



The following poem expresses the theme of our worship this morning . . .

Filled with a strange, new hope they came,  
The blind, the leper, the sick, the lame,  
Frail of body and spent of soul.  
"As many as touched Him were made whole."

On every tongue was the Healer's name.  
Through all that country they spread His fame,  
But doubt clung tight to his wooden crutch,  
Saying, "We must not expect too much."

Down through the ages a promise came:  
Healing for sorrow and sin and shame;  
Help for the helpless, sight to the blind,  
Healing for body and soul and mind.

The Christ we follow is still the same,  
With blessings that all who will may claim,  
But how often we miss love's healing touch  
By thinking, "We must not expect too much."

- Bonnie Day

THE FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JUNE 5, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Larry Faulk  
assisting

Choir Director: W. C. Wickum  
Organist: Ruth J. Brown  
Chief Usher, Doug Lee

We welcome you to our worship this Sunday.  
Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

June NEWS AND VIEWS is available this morning.

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

10:45am

PRELUDE "Variations on a Welsh Hymn" Price  
CHORAL INTROIT  
\*HYMN, #252 "All Hail the Power"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 12  
SOLO "He Touched Me" Gaither  
Rev. Edna Darling  
MORNING PRAYER Choral Response  
OFFERTORY "O Come, Ye Disconsolate" Webbe  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
LESSON "Companions of Jesus"  
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
\*HYMN, #461 "Bread of Life"  
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS  
THE HOLY COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #374 "Rise up O Men of God"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "Credo" Haydn  
\*congregation stands

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

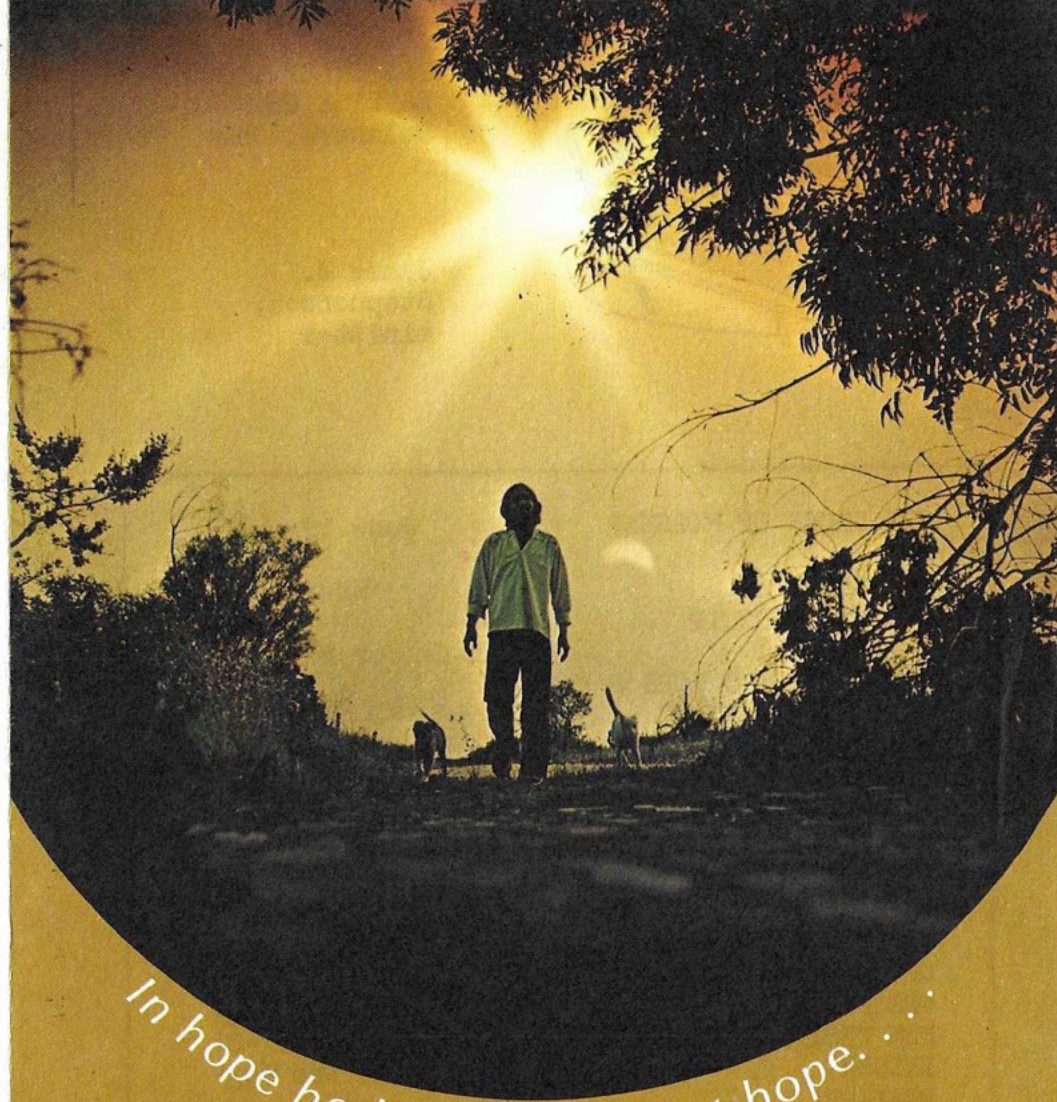
Pam Faulk, Carol Fogle  
Fred & Lucille Via  
Anne Linn

WEDNESDAY  
SATURDAY  
NXT SUNDAY

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY	11:45	Business meeting
MONDAY	7:30	Bd. of Ch. Ed.
TUESDAY	7:00	Healing Group
	7:45	Bible Study
		"Bible in Meditation"
WEDNESDAY	7:30	Choir Rehearsal
NXT SUNDAY	9:15	Children's Lay
	10:45	Recognition of graduates

WE WELCOME INTO MEMBERSHIP: Betty Porter, Dianna  
Lathrop, Bruce Lee, and Paul Mansfield.



*In hope he believed against hope. . . .*

*(Romans 4:18)*





THE FIRST  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Delaware, Ohio

James B.  
Stephenson,  
minister

BIRTHDAYS

Myrtle Detwiler  
Myrtle Smith  
Cary Beth Trigg  
Fred Via

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TODAY 11:45 Business meeting.  
MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council.  
TUESDAY 7:15 Healing Group.  
7:45 Bible Study. I John 3.  
NXT SUN 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Morning Worship.  
12:00 Planning Retreat. All church officers. Bring sack lunch.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 19, 1977

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #348 "Faith of Our Fathers"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison) Psalm 91  
SOLO Jean Ekelberry  
MORNING PRAYERS  
Invitation to Prayer  
Prayer Requests  
Silence  
Pastoral Prayer  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 10:1-21  
LESSON "Christ the Way"  
PRAYERS  
\*HYMN, #171 "My Father's World"  
\*BENEDICTION "Alleluia"  
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
\*congregation stands

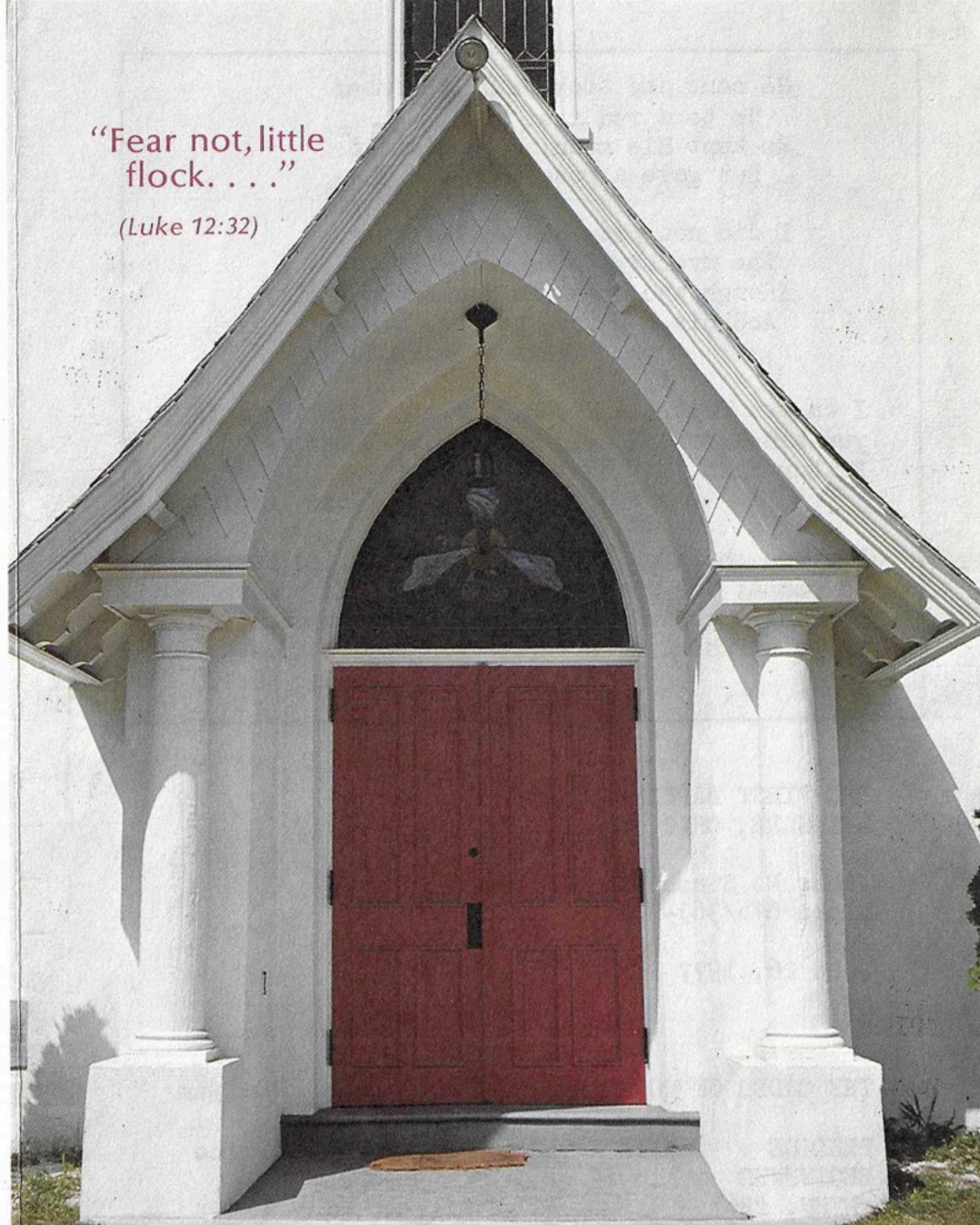
Choir Director - W. C. Wickum  
Organist - Ruth J. Brown  
Chief Usher - Doug Lee

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\* \* \* \* \*  
\* Where are you going? What is your destina- \*  
\* tion? \*  
\* Life is for journeying, not to stand and \*\*  
\* stay. \*  
\* Life is a highroad. Life is for elation. \*  
\* Walk thru the wide doors, heart be on your \*  
\* way! \*  
\* \* \* \* \*  
\* Life is unfoldment. Life is a foment \*  
\* Of thought and act and feeling. Life is for \*  
\* growth. \*  
\* Life is forever. Life is for the moment. \*  
\* Life is for living. Heart be not loath \*  
\* \* \* \* \*  
\* For the jubilant journey! Give yourself to \*  
\* living. \*  
\* Life is for discovery. Life is always new, \*  
\* Not for the having and holding, but for \*  
\* giving. \*  
\* Give yourself to life, and life will give \*  
\* itself to you! \*  
\* (James Dillet Freeman) \*  
\* \* \* \* \*

“Fear not, little  
flock. . . .”

(Luke 12:32)



He came and took me by the hand  
Up to a red rose tree,  
He kept His meaning to Himself  
But gave a rose to me.

I did not pray Him to lay bare  
The mystery to me,  
Enough the rose was Heaven to smell,  
And His own face to see.  
(Ralph Hadgson)

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life . . . if  
you had known me, you would have known my  
Father also.

(John 14:6,7)

For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth  
in peace; the mountains and the hills before  
you shall break forth into singing, and all the  
trees of the fields shall clap their hands.  
(Isaiah 55:12)

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Phone 614/363-7021

June 26, 1977

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "All Hail the Power" Price  
BEGINNING within . . .

\*HYMN, #261 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison) Psalm 34

SOLO "Because He Lives" Gaither

Kenneth Hagelgans

A NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 6:25-33

MORNING PRAYERS

SOLO "I Walked Today where Jesus Walked" O'Hara  
Kenneth Hagelgans

OFFERTORY "Veni Sancte Spiritus" Grove

\*RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "How to Get what You Need"

PRAYERS

\*HYMN, #371 "Stand up for Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE "Chorus of Praise" Johnston

\*congregation stands

Organist: Ruth J. Brown

Choir Director: W. C. Wickum

Chief Usher: Doug Lee

Our guest soloist today is Kenneth Hagelgans  
of Grace United Methodist Church. We are hap-  
py to have him with us.

BIRTHDAYS

Cindy Lathrop  
John Mansfield

MONDAY  
TUESDAY

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 12:15 Planning Retreat.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group &  
Bible study.

"Love all God's creation, love the animals,  
the plants, love everything, and you will come  
at last to love the whole world with an all-  
embracing love."

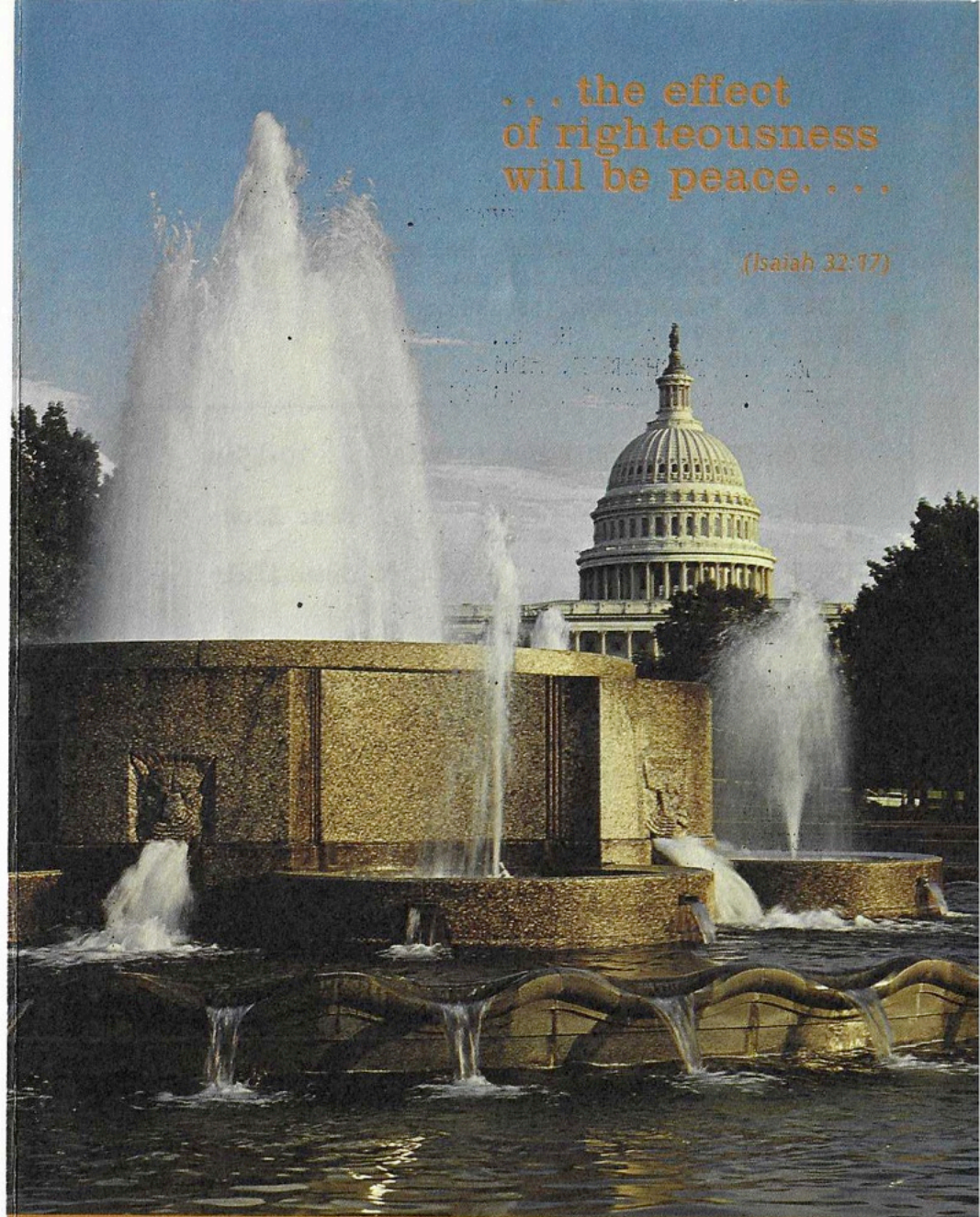
Dostoevski

"Ask the beasts, and they will teach you; the  
birds of the air, and they will tell you; and  
the fish of the sea will declare to you. In  
His hand is the life of every living thing and  
the breath of all mankind." Job 12:7-10

READ 2 KINGS 4:1-7

... the effect  
of righteousness  
will be peace. . . .

*(Isaiah 32:17)*



I HAVE THE STRENGTH TO FACE ALL CONDITIONS BY  
THE POWER THAT CHRIST GIVES ME. Phil 4:13

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Delaware, OH.  
JAMES B. STEPHENSON, minister  
JAMES R. VANBRIMMER, assisting  
JULY 3, 1977

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP & COMMUNION 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown

A MEDITATION  
\*HYMN, #550 "O Beautiful"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A READING (unison) Psalm 19

BRINGING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

\*RESPONSE The Doxology

THE MORNING SCRIPTURE Acts 9:1-22

LESSON "Go to the Next Town  
for Instructions"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
SOLO "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Rev. Edna Darling

THE HOLY COMMUNION Invitation

Prayers

Communion

Thanksgiving

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Alleluia

Mrs. Brown

\*HYMN, #107

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Mrs. Ruth J. Brown

Chief Usher, Doug Lee

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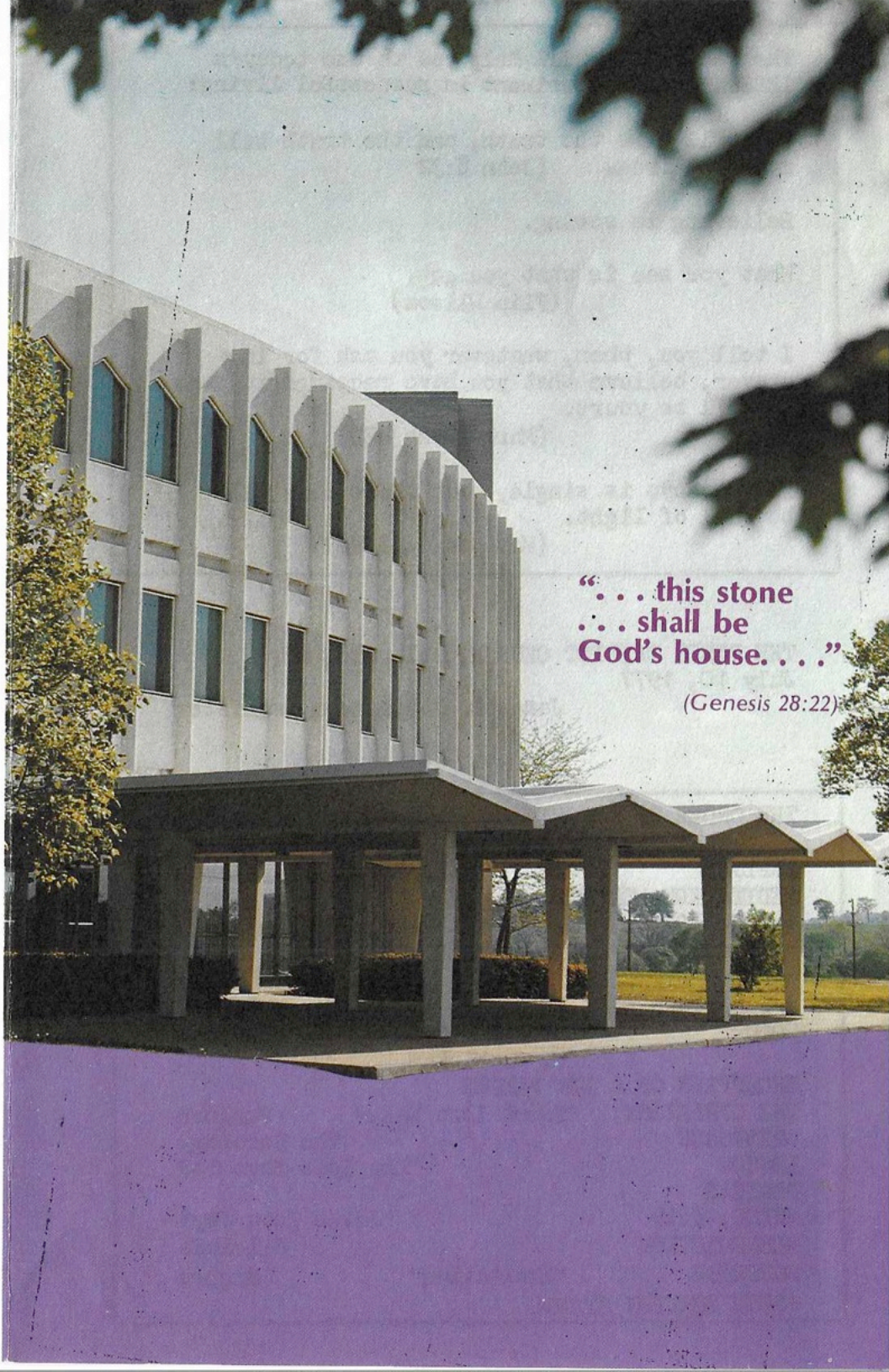
A COMMUNION PRAYER -

Jesus, I want you to come into me and reign.  
Be all in all, in all of me and my affairs;  
Come in and be Spirit of my spirit;  
Come into my mind and bring your understand-  
ing and humility;  
Come into my body and bring your health and  
healing;  
Come into my affairs and direct them;  
Be will of my will -  
Soul of my soul -  
Brain of my brain -  
Heart of my heart -  
Life of my life -  
Joy of my joy -  
Perfect everything for all of me!  
Perfect everything for the all of all.  
- Rufus Mosely

THE HEALING GROUP meets Tuesday at 7:30pm.

JESUS WENT THROUGH LIFE SEEING no quarrels,  
no unhappiness, no lies, no sickness. He  
Looked through earth-made fact and saw eternal  
reality. Looking through the lens of divine  
understanding, He saw men and women whole.  
Seeing them whole, He brought divine laws and  
forces into operation, and hard, ugly facts  
were dissolved by reality. This was His  
method. He bids us master it, promising  
that the works that He did shall we do also.  
- Glenn Clark

You have struggled - you have tried,  
Now relax and step aside.  
Let God's Spirit take control,  
To bring the peace that makes you whole.  
- Rosetta Gibbon



**“... this stone  
... shall be  
God’s house...”**

*(Genesis 28:22)*



The following will help you to use today's LESSON as an experiment in successful living:

You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. (John 8:32)

Believing is seeing.

What you see is what you get.  
(Flip Wilson)

I tell you, then, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.  
(Mark 11:24 NEB)

If your eye is single, your whole body will be full of light.  
(Matthew 6:22 KJV)

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Delaware, OH  
July 10, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Praise the the Lord" Wilson

MEDITATION MOMENTS

\*HYMN, #97 "Holy Is the Lord"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A SCRIPTURE READING 2 Kings 6:8-17

SOLO "Thank You Lord" Rodgers  
W. C. Wickum

RECEPTION OF A NEW MEMBER

THE OFFERTORY "Sweet Lone Vale" VanHorn

\*RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "The Eyes Have It"

PRAYERS

\*HYMN, #419 "Jesus Thou Joy"

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE "Exaltation" Hughes

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

We are happy to receive Ronald D. Whitacre into the fellowship of the church. He comes by transfer of membership from the Broad Street Methodist Church, Columbus.

The HEALING GROUP meets Tuesday at 7:30pm. You are cordially invited to join us.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Pam Lathrop

Kenny Brown

Lucille Via

Donna & Donald Brown

TUESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

NEWS AND VIEWS will be published Sunday, July 24. Materials for it must be in the office no later than Sunday, July 17.

Jesus went through life seeing no quarrels, no unhappiness, no lies, no sickness. He looked through the earth-made fact and saw eternal reality. Looking through the lens of divine understanding, he saw men and women whole. Seeing them whole, he brought divine laws and forces into operation, and hard, ugly facts were dissolved by reality. This was his method. He bids us master it, promising that the works that he did shall we do also.

Glenn Clark

HAVE A HAPPY WEEK!



as  
his  
custom  
was — Luke 4:16



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 \* To be read before service begins \*  
 \*The universe itself is foolproof, and somewhere\*  
 \*along the line each one of us will have to \*  
 \*learn that Love is a principle of nature - a \*  
 \*love so limitless, deep, and broad, that men \*  
 \*have renamed it and called it God. Suppose we \*  
 \*start then, with the proposition that Life de- \*  
 \*sires only our good, that fundamentally It is \*  
 \*for us and never against us. Shall we not, of \*  
 \*necessity, arrive at the conclusion that our \*  
 \*whole pattern of thought should be changed to \*  
 \*comply with this new concept? (Ernest Holmes) \*  
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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

AMY STEPHENSON	Tuesday
RICHARD LEE	Tuesday
JOHN & BERTHA McTAGGART	Tuesday

NEWS AND VIEWS is available today.

FAMILY PICNIC at Highbanks next Saturday. Cover-  
 dish style. 6:30pm.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 DELAWARE, OHIO  
 JAMES B. STEPHENSON  
 MINISTER

July 24, 1977

Ruth J. Brown, organist  
 W. C. Wickum, choir director  
 Doug Lee, chief usher

THE TECHNIQUE OF AFFIRMATIVE PRAYER

1. Realize your freedom.
2. Sense that you are surrounded by an Eternal Goodness.
3. Picture your life as more nearly ideal.

(Ernest Holmes)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Variations on 'St. Peter'" Wilson  
 A MEDITATION  
 \*HYMN, #151 "Lord of All Being"  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
 A READING (unison) Psalm 34  
 OFFERTORY "Contemplation" Thomas  
 \*RESPONSE The Doxology  
 SOLO W. C. Wickum  
 LESSON "The Amazing Power of Affirmative Prayer"  
 PRAYERS  
 \*HYMN, #271 "Send down Thy Truth, O God"  
 \*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
 POSTLUDE "Lift up Your Songs" Saint-Saens  
 \*congregation stands

Thank you, God, for the little thoughts  
 That come down unexpectedly  
 Like cool, refreshing April showers  
 That come to bless the thirsting flowers -  
 Thank you, God for the thoughtful hours  
 That come to comfort me.

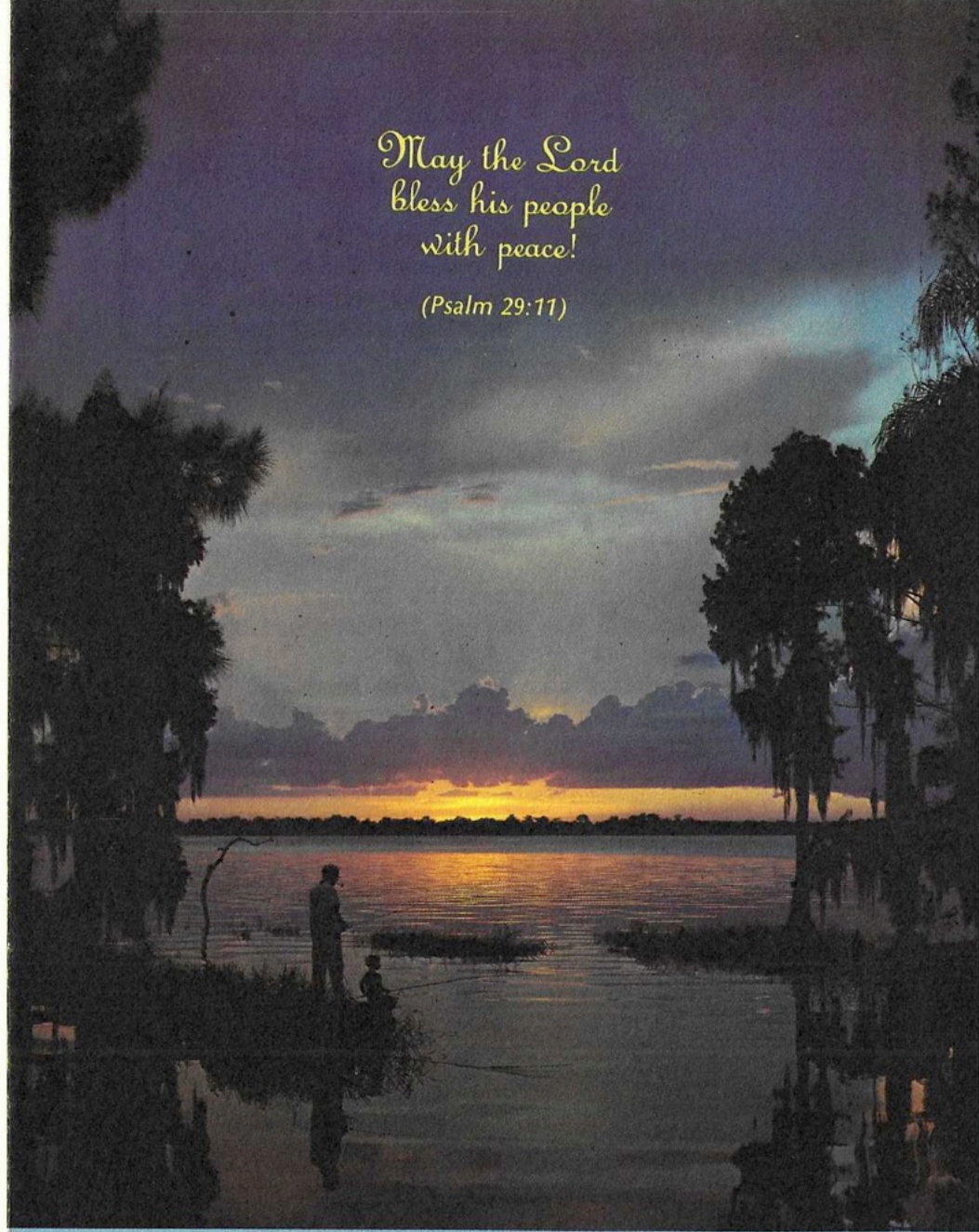
Thank you, God, for the cool, cool thoughts  
 That fall on my receptive brain,  
 Making dreams of beauty grow,  
 Awaking Truth, that I may know  
 All that I was meant to know.  
 Thanks for your gentle, mental rain.

- John D. Engle, Jr.  
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WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP. PLEASE SIGN  
 THE GUEST BOOK IN THE VESTIBULE

*May the Lord  
bless his people  
with peace!*

*(Psalm 29:11)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JULY 31, 1977

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Phone 614/363-7021

WE WELCOME YOU to our morning worship service.  
May we have your name and address in our guest  
book? It is on the table in the vestibule. We  
cordially invite you to worship with us again.

Could we but see the pattern of our days,  
We could discern how devious were the ways  
By which we came to this, the present time,  
This place in life; and we should see the  
climb

Our soul has made up thru the years.  
We should forget the hurts, the wanderings,  
the fears,

The wastelands of our life, and know  
That we could come no other way or grow  
Into our good without these steps our feet  
Found hard to take, our faith found hard  
to meet.

The road of life winds on, and we like  
travelers go  
From turn to turn until we come to know  
The truth that life is endless and that we  
Forever are inhabitants of all eternity.

- Martha Smock

#### BIRTHDAYS

Carolyn G. White  
Jennifer Porter

WEDNESDAY  
NXT SUNDAY

Helping you worship are:

W. C. Wickum, choir director  
Mary Lou Lovell, guest organist  
Doug Lee, chief usher  
(Ruth J. Brown, organist, is on vacation)

#### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "Prelude" B. Tours  
A MEDITATION  
\*HYMN, #214 "The Stories of Jesus"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
A READING IN UNISON Psalm 148  
OFFERTORY "Sweet Is the Peace" Scarlatti  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 20:1-16  
LESSON "The Youngest Disciple"  
MORNING PRAYERS and DEDICATION

Jesus, I want You to come into me and reign.  
Be all in all, in all of me and my  
affairs;

Come in and be Spirit of my spirit;  
Come into my mind and bring Your under-  
standing and humility;  
Come into my body and bring Your health  
and healing;

Come into my affairs and direct them;  
Be will of my will -

Soul of my soul -  
Brain of my brain -  
Heart of my heart -  
Life of my life -  
Joy of my joy -

Perfect everything for all of me!  
Perfect everything for the all of all.

(Rufus Moseley)

\*HYMN, #442

"Words of Life"

\*BENEDICTION

"Alleluia"

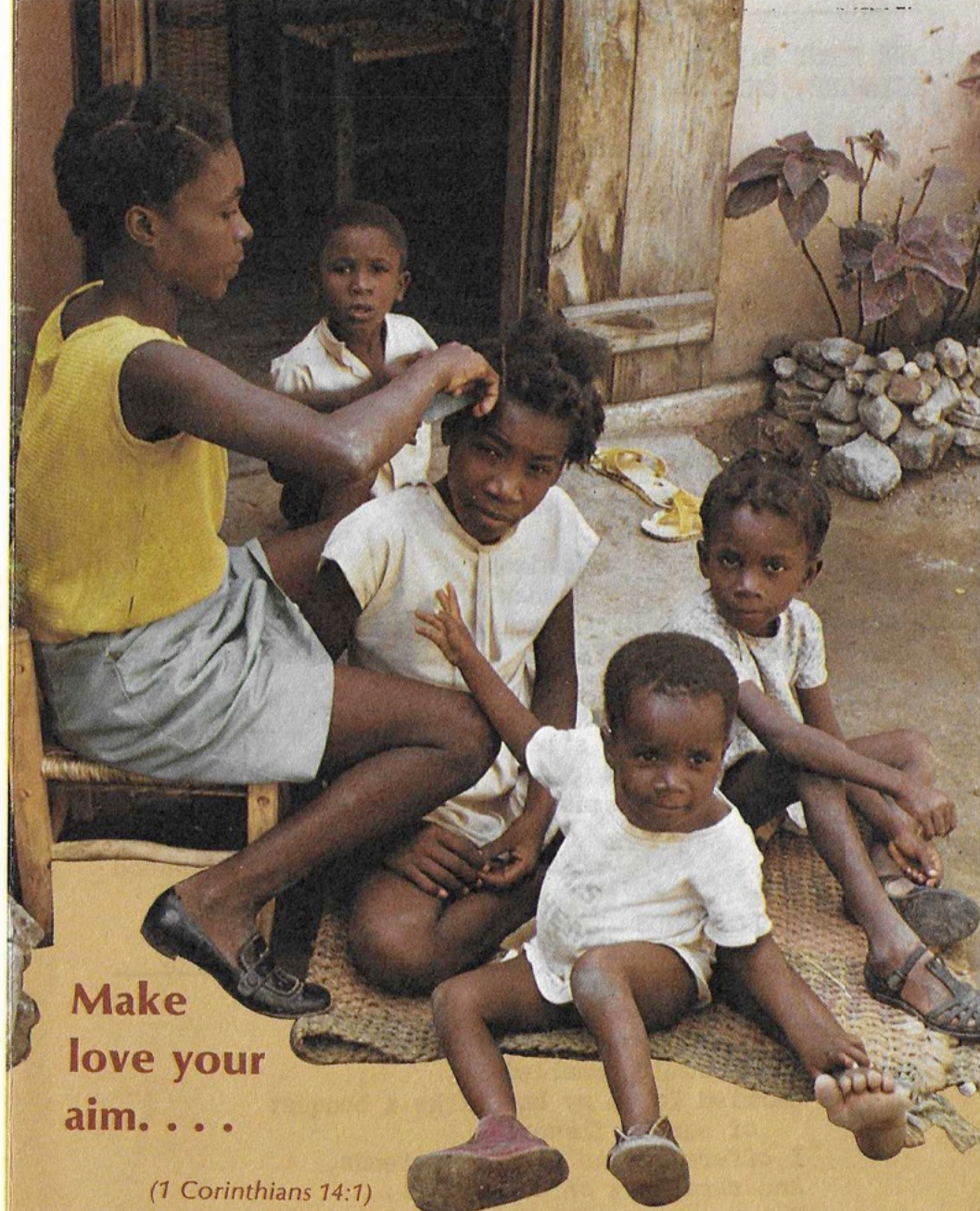
POSTLUDE

"Gavotte"

Schwarzenka

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

TUESDAY - 7:30 Healing Group & Bible study.  
NXT SUNDAY - 9:15 Church Sch., 10:45, Com-  
munion, 11:45 Business meeting.



**Make  
love your  
aim. . . .**

*(1 Corinthians 14:1)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson Minister  
W.C. Wickum Choir Director  
Ruth J. Brown Organist  
Betty Porter Today's Organist  
Doug Lee Chief Usher

AN EXPERIENCE IN WORSHIP

AUGUST 21, 1977

PRELUDE "Panis Angelicus" Franck  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER  
\*HYMN, #98 "Praise to the Lord"  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
PSALM 16 (unison)  
OFFERTORY "Andante" Wely  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 5:1-24  
LESSON "THE POWER"  
"I can do all things through  
him who strengthens me." Phil. 4:13  
PRAYER AND MEDITATION  
\*HYMN, #281 "Jesus Calls Us"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "Marche" Gounod  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

OBSERVATION

I walked around Truth yesterday,  
Caressed It, Smelled It,  
Carried It in my hand like a bouquet  
of summer flowers.  
I offered It to family, friends,  
And strangers on the street.  
But no one accepted.  
Discouraged, I sat down and held Truth  
close to my heart.  
As I stood again, I was astonished to see  
Truth had become a part of me.  
Looking up, I beheld a sea of faces watching.  
-Ann Bodenhamer Martin

Betty Porter is our guest organist today.  
Ruth Brown is on vacation.

# THIS WEEK

NEWS AND VIEWS will be published next Sunday. All materials must be given to Steve no later than Wednesday night.

An open house for Dick and Ann Thomas will be held at Fairpark Community Baptist Church (940 Bermuda Drive, Marion) on August 28, 2:30pm.

Rev. Ted Stephenson is giving the morning meditation on cable channel 8. You can see him at about 7:20am on August 25, 29, September 2, 6.

The Healing Group will meet on Tuesday at 7:30pm.

BIRTHDAYS

Jim Stephenson	Today
Mildred Bowers	Tuesday
Florence Faulk	Wednesday
Linda White	Saturday

ADULT SOCIAL

Saturday, August 27  
8:00pm in Fellowship Hall

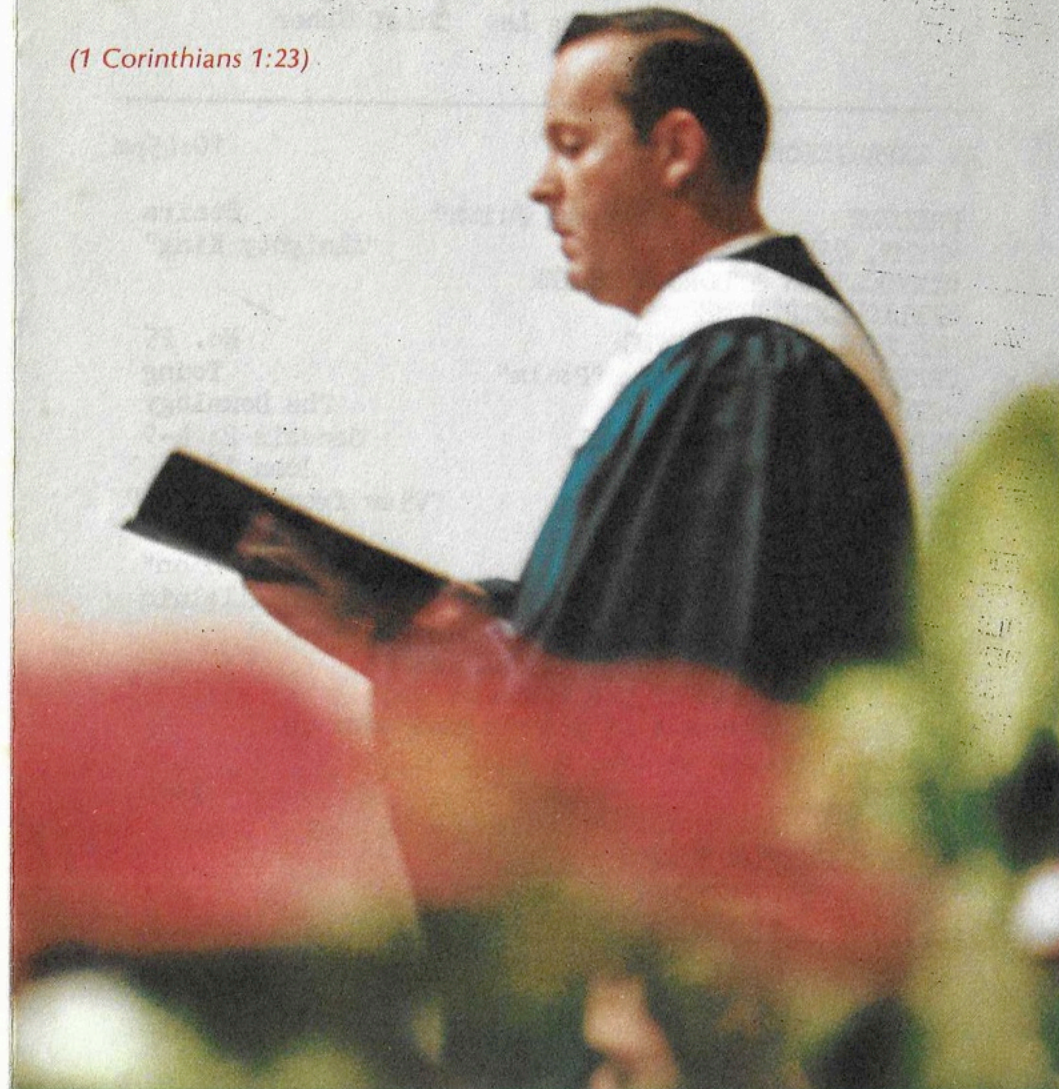
Desert will be served,  
followed by games.

All adults are invited.



... we preach  
Christ crucified. ....

*(1 Corinthians 1:23)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
AUGUST 28, 1977

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W. C. Wickum Choir Director  
Ruth J. Brown Organist  
Doug Lee Chief Usher

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AN EXPERIENCE IN WORSHIP

10:45pm

PRELUDE "Abiding Faith" Stairs  
\*HYMN, #122 "Almighty King"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 25  
OFFERTORY "Psalm" Young  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
OLD TESTAMENT READING II Genesis 2: 4-9  
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 18:1-12  
LESSON "View from a Garden"  
PRAYERS & MEDITATION  
\*HYMN, #363 "Lead on"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
The light of God surrounds us;  
The love of God infolds us;  
The power of God protects us;  
The presence of God watches over us.  
Wherever we are, God is!  
POSTLUDE "Finale" Koch  
\* CONGREGATION STANDS

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We welcome visitors to our worship.  
Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.  
We invite you to visit us again!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Fred & Carol Grubbs  
Mark Faulk

TUESDAY  
WEDNESDAY

NEWS AND VIEWS is available today. Pick up  
your copy in the vestibule.

HEALING GROUP meets Tuesday at 7:30pm. We will  
study the Scripture used today.

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Let me be a little kinder,  
Let me be a little blinder  
To the faults of those about me;  
Let me praise a little more;  
Let me be when I am weary,  
Just a little bit more cheery;  
Let me serve a little better  
Those that I am striving for.

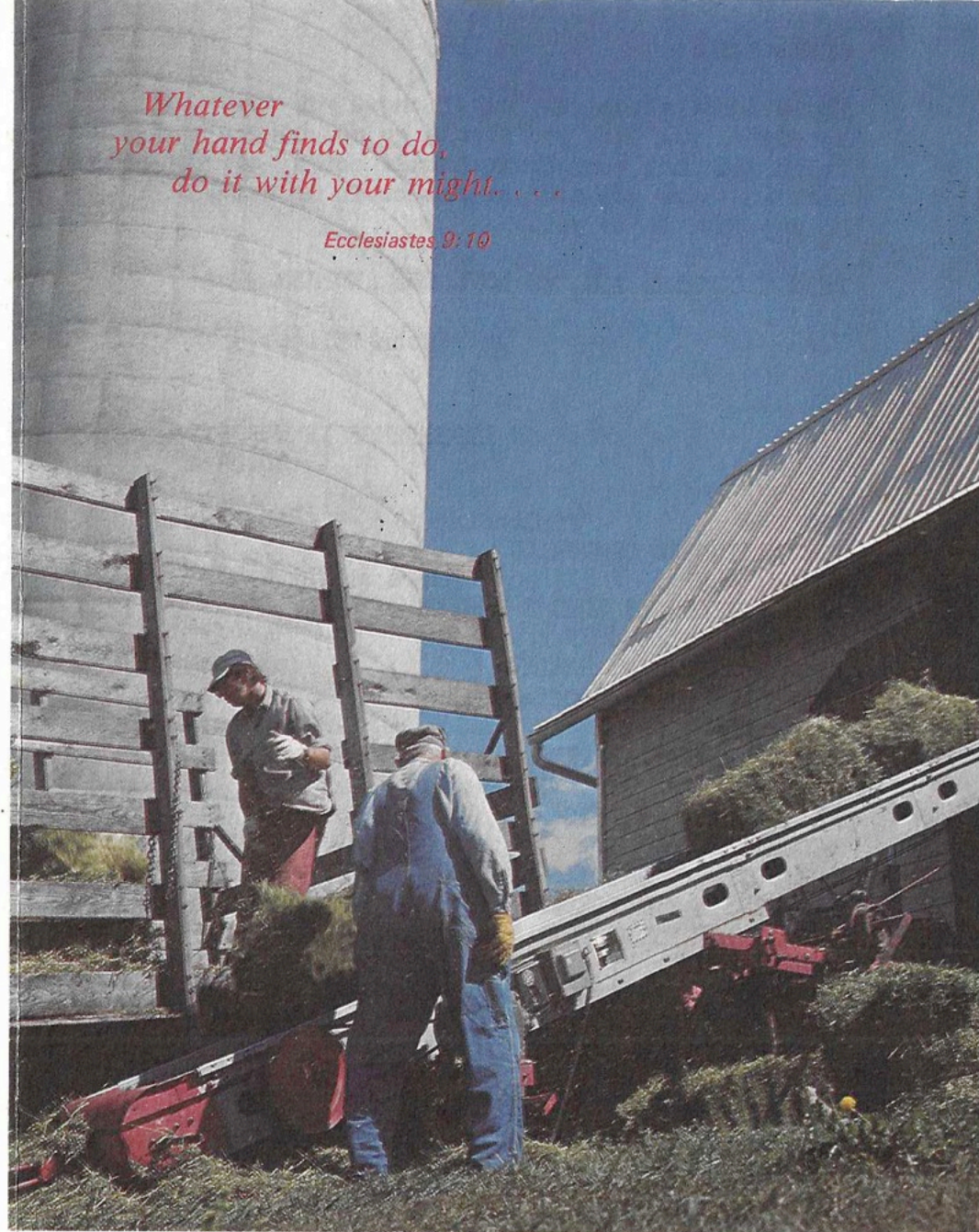
Let me be a little braver  
When temptation bids me waver;  
Let me strive a little harder  
To be all that I should be;  
Let me be a little meeker  
With the brother that is weaker;  
Let me think more of my neighbor  
And a little less of me.

Anon.

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*Whatever  
your hand finds to do,  
do it with your might. . . .*

*Ecclesiastes 9:10*





JESUS SAID:

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, He may give it to you.

THIS I COMMAND YOU, TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

(John 15:16,17)

AN EXPERIENCE IN WORSHIP  
10:45am

PRELUDE "Finlandia" Sibelius  
INVITATION TO COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #151 "Here at Thy Table"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison)  
OFFERTORY "Offertoire" Clarke  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 7:7-14  
LESSON "How to Pray Successfully"  
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
\*COMMUNION HYMN, #190 stanzas 1 & 2 "JOY"  
THE HOLY COMMUNION  
PRAYERS IN THE PRESENCE  
\*COMMUNION HYMN, #190 stanzas 3 & 4 "JOY"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "With Sounding Brass" Nordman

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

welcome to the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 4, 1977  
JAMES B. STEPHENSON, MINISTER  
JAMES R. VANBRIMMER, ASSISTING

W. C. Wickum, choir director  
Ruth J. Brown, organist

Doug Lee, usher

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Floarance Faulk  
Richard E. Lee  
Lorrie Lathrop

MONDAY  
WEDNESDAY  
THURSDAY

EVENTS AT FIRST BAPTIST . . . .

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group and Bible Study. Read John 15. Everyone invited!



REJOICE!

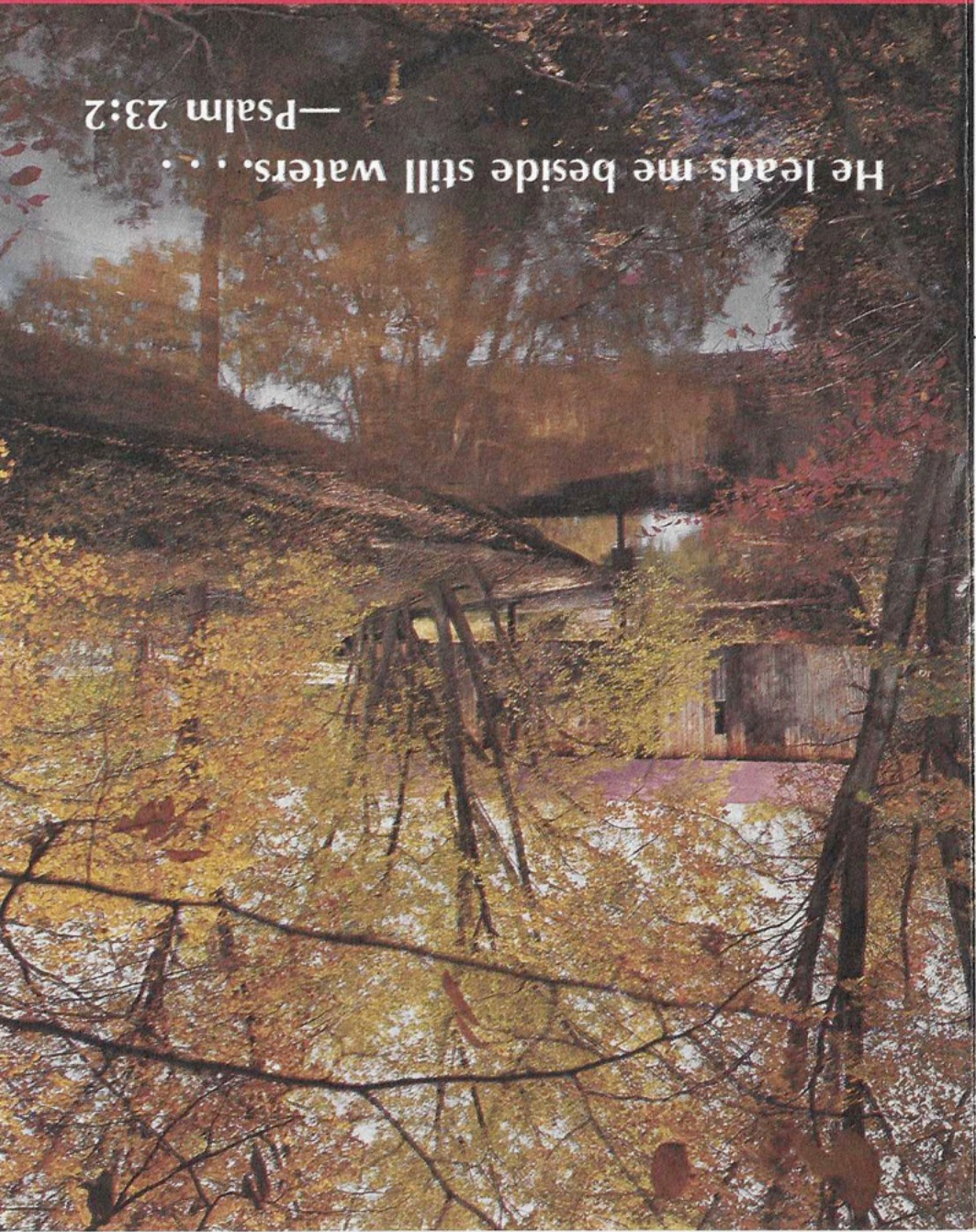
WEDNESDAY 7:30PM

CHOIR REHEARSALS  
RESUME!!!!

NEW MEMBERS  
WELCOME!!!

OUR ANNUAL RETREAT WILL BE HELD NEXT WEEKEND AT JUDSON HILLS. FRIDAY NIGHT THRU LUNCH SUNDAY. DR. CARL BROWN, LEADER.

DUE TO RETREAT NEXT SUNDAY, THERE WILL BE NO SERVICES HERE. IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE RETREAT, WE SUGGEST YOU VISIT ANOTHER CONGREGATION.



—Psalm 23:2

He leads me beside still waters. . . .



SUNDAY MORNING AT FIRST BAPTIST

September 18, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister

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WE WELCOME everyone to our Morning Worship service. If you are new to us, please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

We are a free church, affiliated with the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A.

As defined in our constitution, "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."

Anyone accepting this statement of purpose is invited to join our fellowship, either through official membership or by participation without leaving your own tradition. We do not require rebaptism of persons coming from non-immersionist churches.

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THE EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Partita on 'St. Anne'" Hughes  
A MEDITATION

\*HYMN, #171 "My Father's World"

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 23

DUET "Shepherd of Love" Peterson  
Donna Brown, Karen Stoner

NEW TESTAMENT READING from Mark 9

A SPECIAL PRESENTATION Sandra Cagwin  
Marjorie Smale

A TIME FOR PRAYER Silence  
Pastoral Prayer

\*HYMN, #167 "The Beauty of the Earth"

LESSON "Down the Mountain,  
Out of the Forest"

SERVICE OF DEDICATION  
Offertory "Poeme" Young

\*RESPONSE The Doxology

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE "Richmond" Groves

\* CONGREGATION. STANDS

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Ushers, Doug Lee, David Adams

... EVENTS OF INTEREST

- monday 7:30 Parish Council.
- tuesday 7:30 Healing Group & Bible study. Open to all. Read Matthew 5.
- wednesday 9:00 Morning Circle with Mary Lou Lovell. Anne Linn & Beth Trigg will discuss their trip to England.

... birthday & anniversaries

- Sept. 13 Peggy Gabriel
- Sept. 15 Janet Porter  
Jim & Bertha VanBrimmer  
Wick & Jean Wickum
- Sept. 19 Paul Mansfield

NEWS AND VIEWS, our newsletter, will be published next Sunday. All material must be given to Steve by Wednesday night. Please do not request an extension of the deadline!

WE NEED articles from the chairpersons of the various boards of the church. Also submit news about your vacations and other family data.

EACH ARTICLE should be no longer than one half of an 8 1/2 by 11 page with margins of about one inch.

WE ALSO ENJOY USING original poetry.

The annual meeting of the Marion Assoc. is set for next Sunday at the Grand Prairie Church at 3pm. Supper is \$2.00 adults, \$1 children. Give reservations to minister.

*We love, because he first loved us. —1 John 4:19*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, MINISTER  
LARRY FAULK, ASSISTING

September 25, 1977  
Morning Worship

THE EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "My Heart Is Ready" Howell

A MEDITATION

\*HYMN, #156 "Lord, Thy Glory"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE DOXOLOGY

FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 5

ANTHEM "Take My Life and Let It Be" Hintz

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 14:8-18

OFFERTORY "Where Cross the Crowded Ways" Wilson  
\*HYMN, #306 "O Master"

LESSON "Faith Is a Leap to Life"

PRAYERS

\*HYMN, #261 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION Alleluia

The light of God surrounds us;  
The love of God infolds us;  
The power of God protects us;  
The presence of God watches over us.  
Wherever we are, God is!

POSTLUDE "A Flourish of Trumpets" Smith

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Ruth J. Brown  
Ushers, Doug Lee, David Adams

WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP. PLEASE  
SIGN THE GUEST BOOK IN THE VESTIBULE

EVENTS . . .

TODAY 3:00 Marion Assoc. at the  
Grand Prarie Church.

MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group and  
Bible study.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 World Wide Communion.  
World Fellowship Of-  
fering.

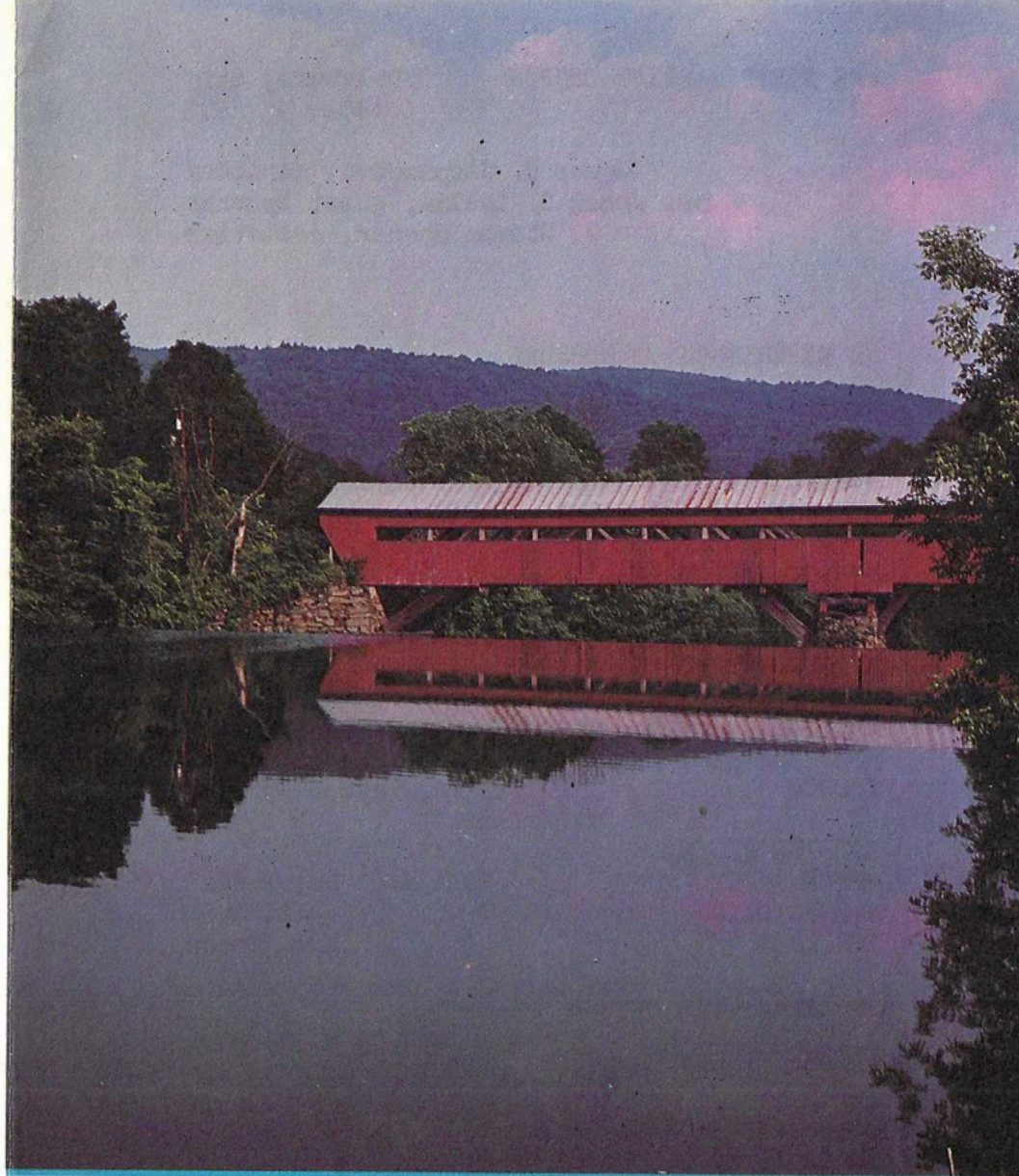
REMEMBER THE BIRTHDAY PARTY THIS AFTERNOON IN  
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

BIRTHDAYS

Steve Mansfield  
Harriet Pittman

WEDNESDAY  
FRIDAY

NOTES:



*A pure river of water.* —Revelation 22:1



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH      Delaware, Ohio  
October 9, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Dr. James S. Leslie, guest speaker  
J. Steven Stoner, assisting

AN EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP      10:45am

PRELUDE      Mrs. Brown  
\*HYMN, #95      "Joyful, Joyful"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*THE GLORIA PATRI  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
OLD TESTAMENT READING      (unison) Psalm 91  
ANTHEM      "O God, Thy Goodness"      Beethoven  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE      The Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING      Luke 15:8-24  
LESSON      "The Prodigal Daughter"  
Dr. Leslie  
MORNING PRAYER  
\*HYMN, #252      "All Hail the Power"  
\*BENEDICTION      Alleluia  
POSTLUDE      Mrs. Brown

\*congregation stands

Organist, Ruth J. Brown  
Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
Ushers, Doug Lee, David Adams

We welcome visitors to our worship. May we  
have your name and address in our guest  
book in the vestibule?

We are very happy to have Dr. James Leslie  
with us this morning. He is chaplain at  
Ohio Wesleyan University.

events . . . .

TUESDAY      7:30 Healing Group.  
WEDNESDAY      7:30 Choir rehearsal.  
THURSDAY      7:30 Women's Mission  
Society at the  
church. Mrs. Ken-  
neth Cole will dis-  
cuss her trip to  
Africa.  
NXT SUNDAY      9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Morning Worship.  
11:45 Quarterly business  
meeting.

BIRTHDAY

Suzanne Grubbs

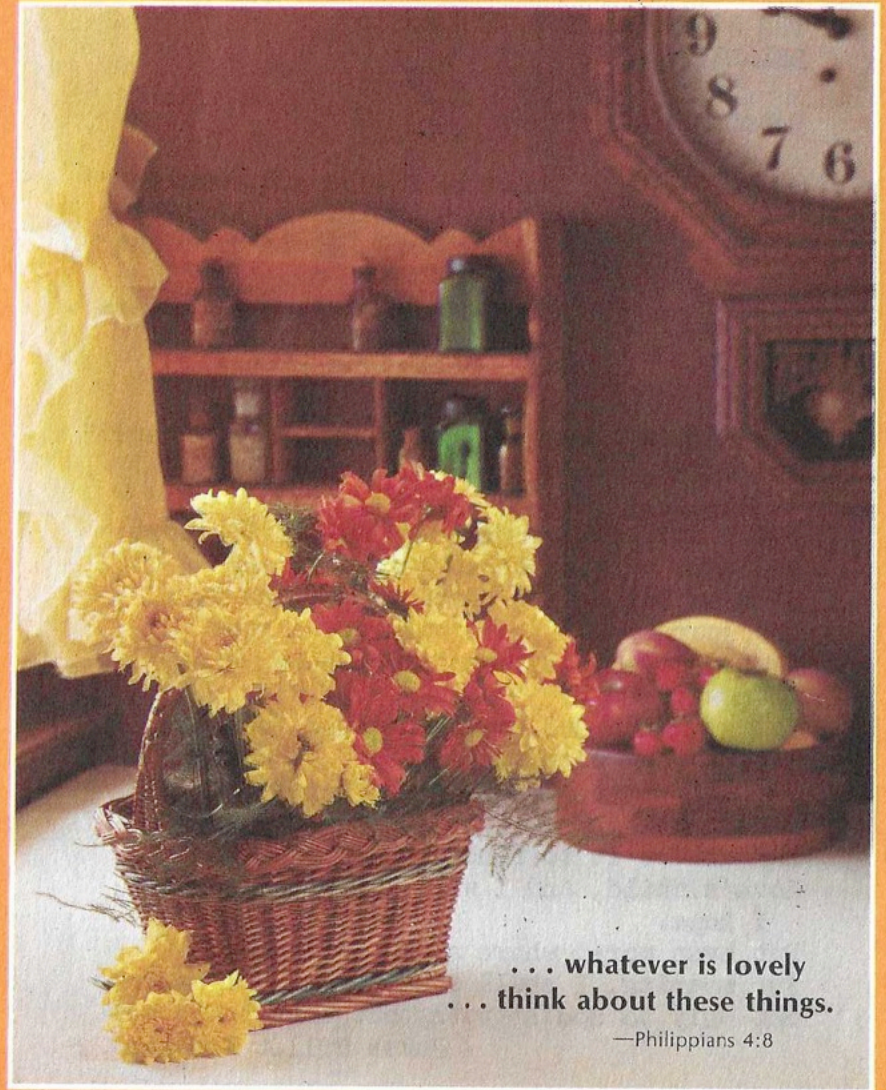
TODAY

Master of life,  
Watch over me, I pray;  
Walk thou beside me  
Through each night and day;

Teach my blind eyes to see  
Thy presence in all things;  
In smallest wind-blow flower,  
The flash of wild birds' wings.

Let me ever heed  
Thy wisdom guiding me,  
Until I know at-one-ment,  
Master of life, with thee.

- Ann Stark



... whatever is lovely  
... think about these things.

—Philippians 4:8



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

October 16, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Ronald D. Whitacre, assisting  
W. C. Wickum, choir director  
Ruth J. Brown, organist  
David Adams, Doug Lee, ushers

"We make a journey, but from where to where?"  
She asked. "To God," I said, and left it  
there.

But I have asked, too, why we had to start  
And take so roundabout a road to come  
Back to the loving heart we started from.  
The journey has to be our way to grow  
Toward some fulfillment more than we may  
know;

God might be God within himself, but man  
Must go beyond himself before he can  
Be man! Love hurls the fledgling from its  
nest

And drives it to find wings. I am no less  
Love's child, and I will find Love's heart,  
I hope.

But even more, where now I only grope  
For meaning, I shall some day clearly see  
Not only to God's truth, but that truth be!

- James Dillet Freeman

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Open now Thy Gates" Wilson

A MEDITATION

\*HYMN, #423 "The Church's One Foundation"

\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison) Psalm 145

\*HYMN, #429 "I Love Thy Kingdom"

OFFERTORY "Prayer" Kreutzer  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 4:16-30  
LESSON "Birthday Basics"  
MORNING PRAYERS  
\*HYMN, #405 (stanzas 1,2,3) "He Leadeth Me"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "Come with Rejoicing" Morrison  
\* congregation stands

events . . .

TODAY 11:45 Business meeting.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.  
WEDNESDAY 9:00 Morning Circle with  
Carol Grubbs.  
7:30 Choir rehearsal.  
THURSDAY 7:30 Shephard Circle  
Bring  
scissors.

looking ahead . . .

HALLOWEEN PARTY, OCTOBER 29, 7 - 9 pm.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

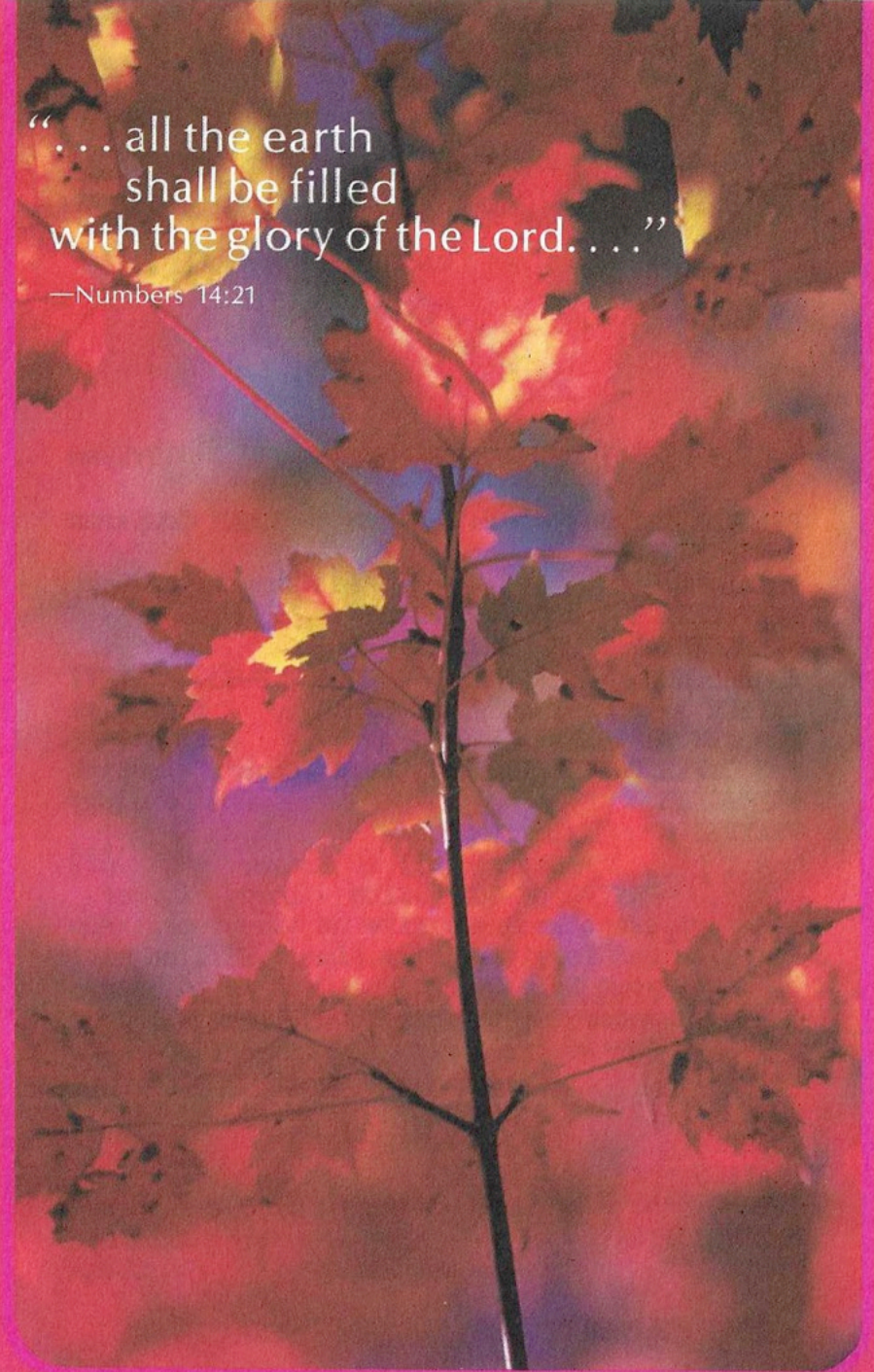
TUESDAY Janet & Gene Lathrop  
THURSDAY Susan Leonard  
James Brown

A beggar, Lord, I ask of you  
More than a thousand kings could ask.  
Each one wants something, which he asks of you.  
I come to ask you to give me yourself.  
- Ansari

I am as old as God and as young as tomorrow!

“... all the earth  
shall be filled  
with the glory of the Lord....”

—Numbers 14:21



JESUS IS LORD!  
PRAISE HIM!

AN EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "Dialogue sur les grands jeux" Couperin

A MEDITATION

\*HYMN, #258 "Ye Servants of God"

\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A READING

No. 32 (NT)

ANTHEM "I Know the Lord"

Spiritual

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 4:1-13

THE OFFERTORY "In Thee, Lord Jesus"

Bach

\*RESPONSE

The Doxology

PRAYERS

Invitation

Choral Call to Prayer 622

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - Lord, of your great goodness give me true repentance and forgive all my sins. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and lead me to live according to your Word, Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Assurance of pardon

\*HYMN, #422

Words of Life"

LESSON

"Jesus Only"

PRAYERS

\*HYMN, #348

"Faith of Our Fathers"

\*BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

"Triumphal March"

Costa

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

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welcome to the

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

OCTOBER 23, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister  
John P. Mansfield, assisting  
W. C. Wickum, choir director  
Ruth J. Brown, organist  
Mary Lou Lovell, today's organist  
David Adams, Doug Lee, chief ushers

birthdays this week -

Thursday

RUFUS CRANE

Saturday

LARRY WESTBROOK

events this week -

Tuesday

7:30 Healing Group.

7:30 Marion Assoc.

Women at Green  
Camp.

Wednesday

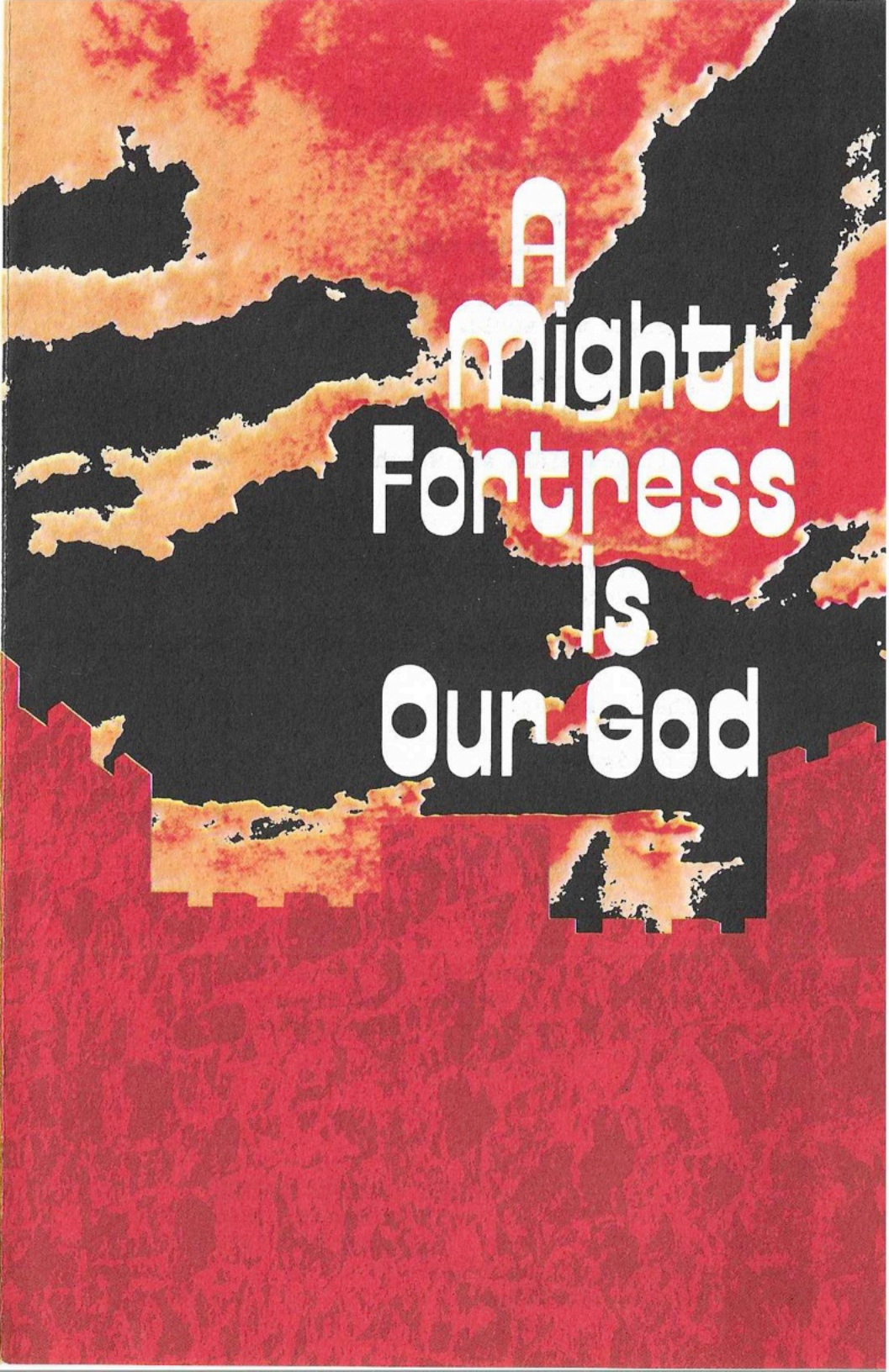
7:30 Choir rehearsal.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED meet TUESDAY at ASEBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 9:30 until 2:30 . . .  
AREA MEETING . . . STATE LEADERS PRESENT . . .  
BRING SACK LUNCH.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETS MONDAY, 7:45 . . . A  
MEETING OF IMPORTANCE!!!

OUR NEWSLETTER will be published this week.  
DEADLINE FOR MATERIAL IS WEDNESDAY. SEND  
MATERIAL TO office or parsonage.

Believe!  
Follow!  
Enjoy!



A  
mighty  
Fortress  
is  
Our God



\* \* \* \* \*  
 \*  
 \* THE LITTLE WISE ONES \*  
 \*  
 \* The wise ones \*  
 \* dream a million things, \*  
 \* like yellow suns \*  
 \* that walk on springs and \*  
 \* light the world. \*  
 \*  
 \* The wise ones \*  
 \* know important things, \*  
 \* Like where to look for \*  
 \* tinted wings and watch \*  
 \* them fly. \*  
 \*  
 \* The wise ones \*  
 \* hear with burning minds \*  
 \* The music \*  
 \* that we've left behind \*  
 \* and lost somehow. \*  
 \*  
 \* The wise ones \*  
 \* listen while we teach, \*  
 \* Yet higher \*  
 \* than a man can reach \*  
 \* they touch and grasp. \*  
 \*  
 \* - Carleen S. Hamilton \*  
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The poem above is a commentary on the state-  
 ment of Jesus, "unless you turn and become  
 like children, you will never enter the King-  
 dom of heaven." (Matthew 18:3)

welcome to the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 Delaware, Ohio  
 October 30, 1977

James B. Stephenson, minister  
 Jean M. Wickum, assisting

THE EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
 \*HYMN, #155 "A Mighty Fortress"  
 (460 years ago tomorrow Martin Luther  
 began the Protestant Reformation. So  
 today we sing his greatest hymn.)  
 \*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
 \*THE GLORIA PATRI  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
 OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 18  
 SOLO W. C. Wickum  
 INVITATION TO PRAYER - PASTORAL PRAYER  
 The minister  
 The Choir (622)  
 Silence  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 OFFERTORY  
 \*RESPONSE The Doxology  
 NEW TESTAMENT READING John 6:41-60  
 LESSON "A Red Leaf for Dracula"  
 PRAYERS  
 \*HYMN, #360 (stanzas 1,2,4) "Are Ye Able?"  
 \*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
 POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
 \* congregation stands

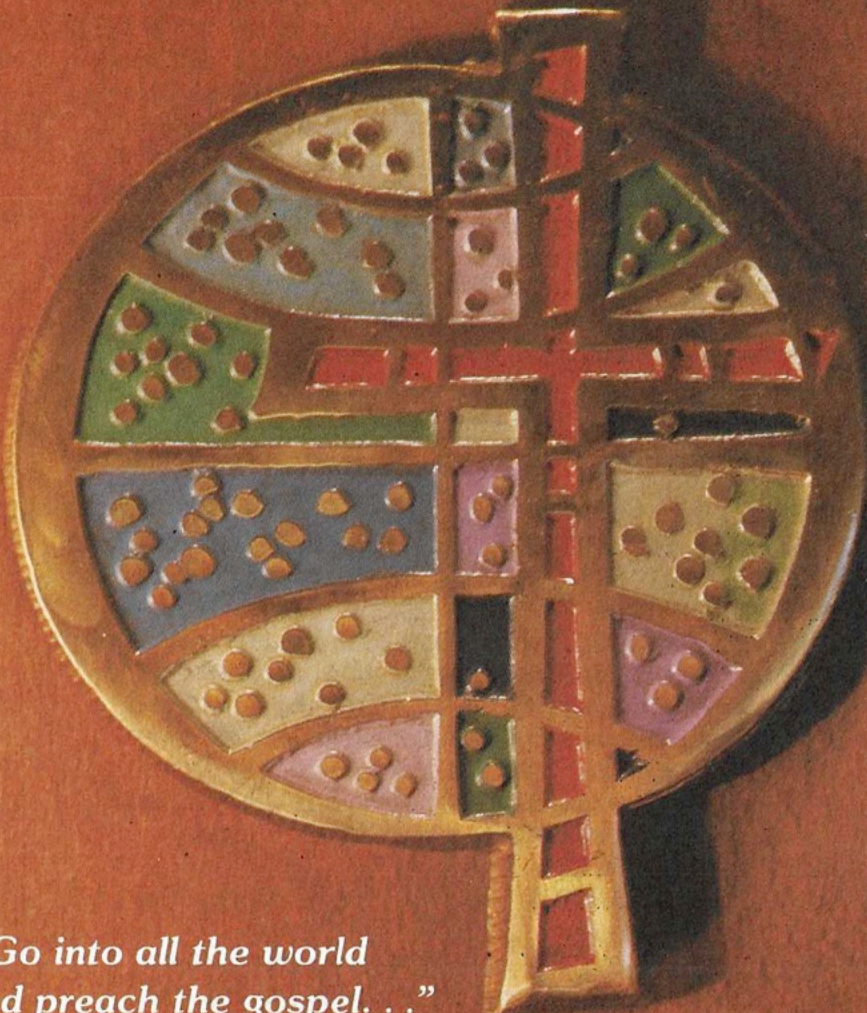
Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
 Organist, Ruth J. Brown  
 Chief ushers, David Adams, Doug Lee

BIRTHDAYS

Stefanie Stoner TUES  
 Bob Stephenson NXT SUN

THE RED CROSS bloodmobile will be at Wm. St.,  
 Church next Friday from 10am-4pm. Phone 362-  
 2021 for an appointment.

TUESDAY - 7:30 Healing Group. Read Luke 6:17ff.  
 WEDNESDAY - 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.



*“Go into all the world  
and preach the gospel. . .”*

—Mark 16:15





Wolves and sheep will live together in peace, and leopards will lie down with young goats. Calves and lion cubs will feed together, and little children will take care of them. Cows and bears will eat together, and their calves and cubs will lie down in peace. Lions will

eat straw as cattle do. Even a baby will not be harmed if it plays near a poisonous snake . . . there will be nothing harmful or evil. The land will be as full of the knowledge of the Lord as the seas are full of water. (Isaiah 11:6-9)

THE EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP 10:45pm

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
 THE FIRST COMMUNION Matthew 26:17-29  
 \*HYMN, #451 "Here at Thy Table"  
 \*THE INVOCATION

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI  
 AN ACT OF CLEANSING John 13:2,3-5

Silent prayers . . .  
 (unison) O God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us and lead us to walk in your way. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF NEW LIFE  
 ANTHEM "He's everything to Me" Carmichael  
 OFFERTORY  
 \*RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "WORDS ARE MAGIC"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
 \*HYMN, #392 "Jesus the Thought of Thee"  
 THE HOLY COMMUNION  
 PRAYERS  
 \*ALLELUIA Choir and Congregation  
 \*BENEDICTION  
 POSTLUDE FELLOWSHIP

\* congregation stands

It is good to have you with us today. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

. . . . . events

TODAY	6:00 Finance Committee.
MONDAY	7:30 Bd. of Ch. Ed.
TUESDAY	ELECTION DAY. 7:30 Healing Group and Bible study. Luke 6.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

. . . . . birthdays

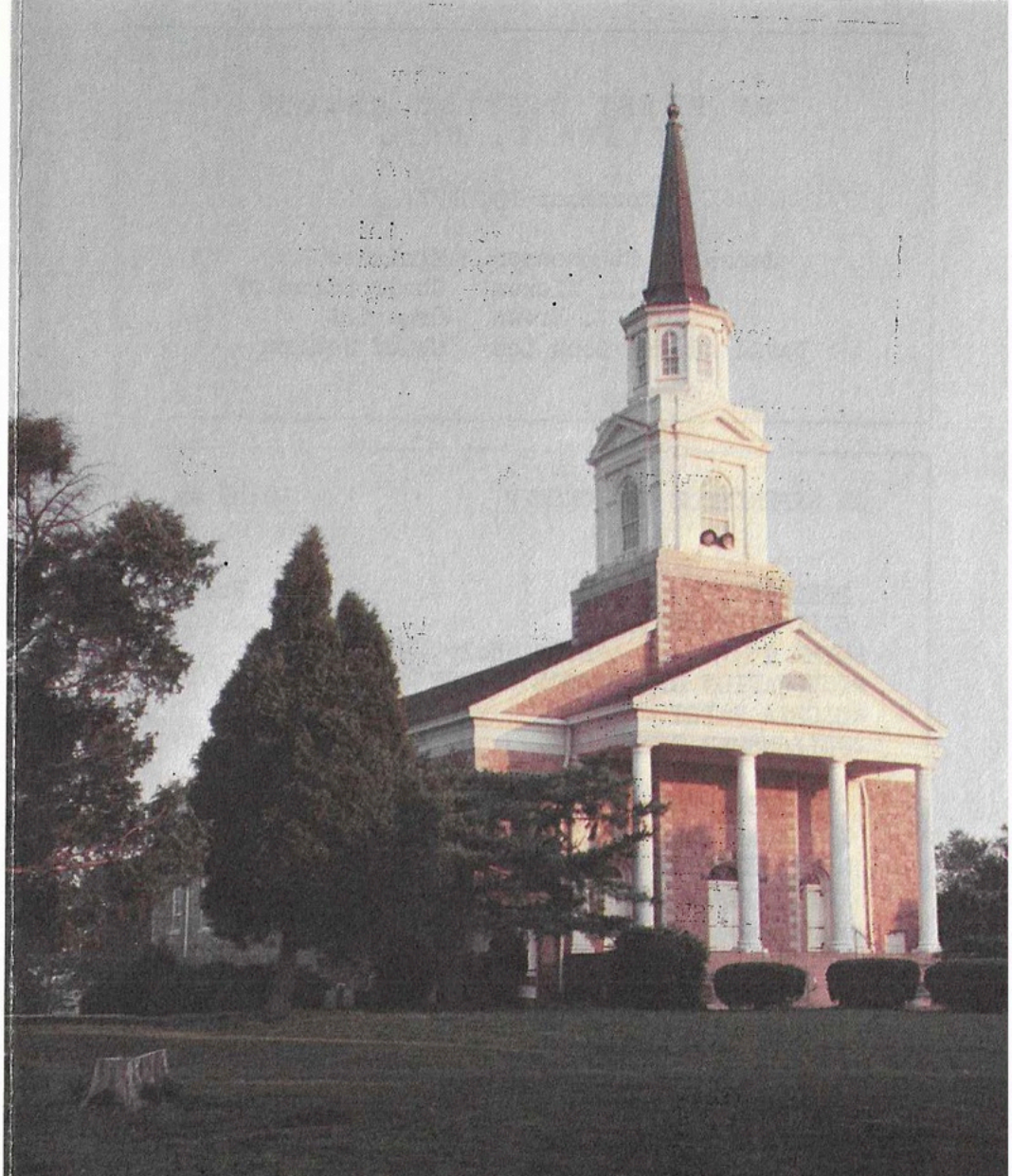
TODAY	Bob Stephenson
MONDAY	Sis Mansfield
WEDNESDAY	Gene Lathrop
(missed from last week)	Victor Fogle

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 THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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GO FORTH IN JOY . . . LIFE IS FOR LIVING!!!



Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge. . . —Proverbs 12:1





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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November 13, 1977

James B. Stephenson Minister  
W.C. Wickum Choir Director  
Ruth J. Brown Organist  
David Adams, Doug Lee Chief Ushers

AN EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP 10:45 am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN # 107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 25  
ANTHEM "Come Praise The Lord" Broughton  
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 1:43-51  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
SOLO "I Want To Be Like Jesus" Ives  
Colleen Griffin

LESSON "WORDS ARE MAGIC"

PRAYERS  
\*HYMN # 363 "Lead On O King Eternal"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown  
(\* Congregation Stands)

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sign the guest book in the vestibule.

EVENTS

Today 11:45 am Deacons & Deaconesses  
6:00 pm Finance Committee

Tuesday 7:30 pm Healing Group

Wednesday 9:00 am Morning Circle with  
Jean Ekelberry  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 7:30 pm Shephard Circle with  
Myrtle Smith, 109 East  
Central (you may park at  
Smith's Services, next  
door east)

*I am fault wants to know  
if you can sub for  
her next week - probably  
won't be here.*

Next Sunday 5:00 pm ANNUAL THANKSGIVING  
DINNER in Fellowship  
Hall! Everyone's in-  
vited.

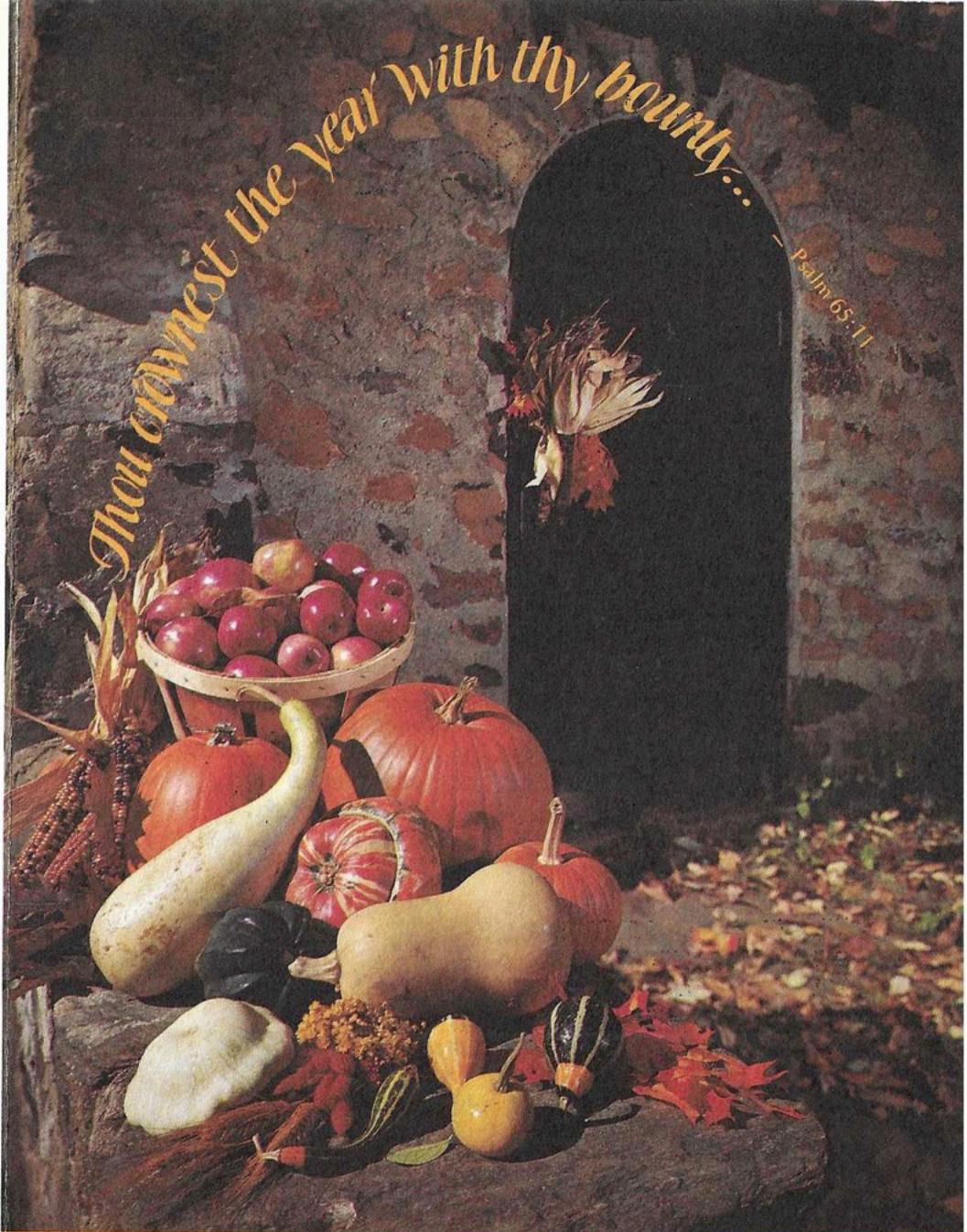
BIRTHDAYS

Tuesday Teresa Grubbs, Frances Johnson  
Thursday Emily Inscho  
Friday Helen Crane  
Saturday Diana Lathrop

WHEN GOD MADE THE WORLD - by James D. Freeman

When God made the world,  
He saw that He had made it a world  
where everything had everything it needed  
to become everything it was capable of being.  
Then God said, "There is only one rule:  
You can never settle for less,  
the law of life is the law of growth."

I thank You, God, for this world  
of opportunity and challenge,  
of so many beautiful and strange forms, all  
changing, growing, unfolding, evolving  
in overflowing abundance, forever and ever.  
Amen.



*Thou crownest the year with thy bounty... — Psalm 65:11*



# THANKS GIVING



\* \* \* \* \*  
 \* 1) Happy is the man \*  
 \* who refuses the advice of the wicked, \*  
 \* who does not follow the example of sinners, \*  
 \* nor sits in the seats of the scoffers; \*  
 \* 2) but his delight is in the law of the \*  
 \* Lord, and on his law he meditates day and \*  
 \* night. 3) He is like a tree planted by \*  
 \* streams of water, that gives its fruit at \*  
 \* the right time, and its leaves do not dry \*  
 \* up. In all that he does, he prospers. \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* 4) The wicked are not like this at all; \*  
 \* but are like the chaff which the wind \*  
 \* drives away. 5) Therefore the wicked \*  
 \* will not stand in the judgment, nor sin- \*  
 \* ners in the congregation of the righteous. \*  
 \* 6) The Lord cares for the righteous man, \*  
 \* but the way of the wicked will perish. \*  
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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
 DELAWARE, OHIO  
 NOVEMBER 20, 1977  
 James B. Stephenson, minister  
 W. C. Wickum, choir director  
 Ruth J. Brown, organist  
 David Adams, Doug Lee, chief ushers

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP	10:45am
PRELUDE	"Wake, Awake" Nicolai
CALL TO WORSHIP	
*HYMN, #593	"Come Ye Thankful People"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER	
*GLORIA PATRI	
*FELLOWSHIP TIME	

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING	Psalm 1
ANTHEM "To God on High be Thanks"	Decius
A NEW TESTAMENT READING	Matthew 7:7-12
MORNING PRAYERS	#622
Silence	Pastoral Prayer
SOLO "Just a Closer Walk"	Rev. Edna Darling
OFFERTORY "A Calm Retreat"	Bell
*RESPONSE	The Doxology
LESSON	"How to Be Happy"
*HYMN, #594	"We Plow the Fields"
*BENEDICTION	Alleluia
POSTLUDE "Song of Victory"	Denton
*CONGREGATION STANDS	

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## BIRTHDAYS

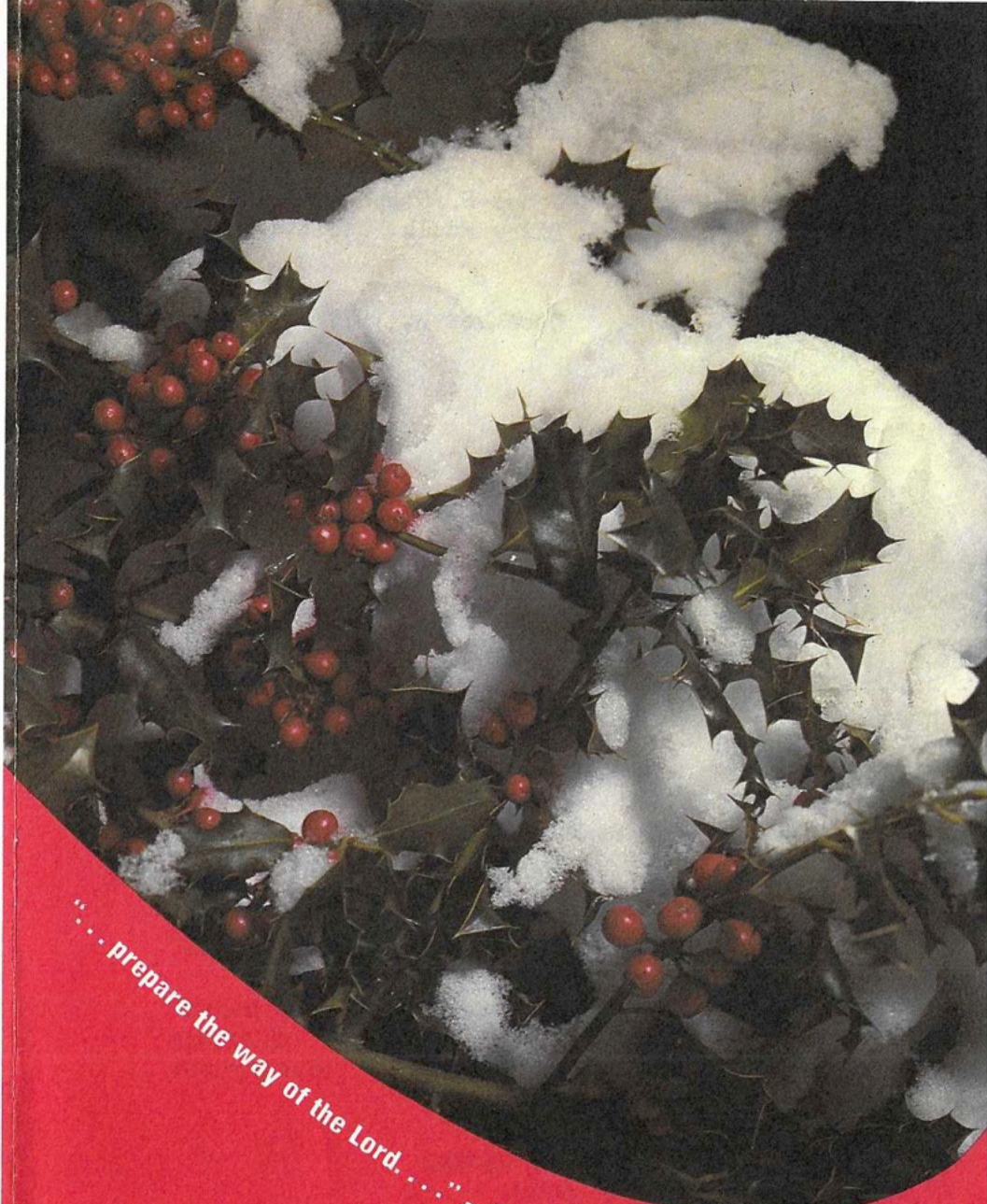
TUESDAY	Peter White
	Melodie Brower
WEDNESDAY	Jeannie Stephenson
NXT SUNDAY	Gina Evans

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	5:00 Thanksgiving Dinner in the Fellowship Hall.
	7:30 Community Thanksgiving Service at Asbury.
MONDAY	7:30 Parish Council.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	THANKSGIVING DAY.
NXT SUNDAY	FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER for December will be available Dec. 4. All material to be published must be at the church office no later than NEXT SUNDAY.

Be Happy !!



... prepare the way of the Lord. . . .” —Isaiah 40:3





2nd  
Sunday  
of  
Advent

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Larry Faulk, assisting

December 4, 1977

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Noel" Ackenhusen  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #191 "The Midnight Clear"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:1-16  
ANTHEM "O Jesu, so Sweet" Bach  
OFFERTORY "Providence" Doige  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
A PRESENTATION Larry Faulk  
SOLO "Some Children See Him" Burt  
W. C. Wickum  
LESSON "Wilderness and Roses"  
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
\*HYMN, #193 "Good Christian Men"  
HOLY COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #187 "Angels We have Heard"  
\*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "Laudate Deum" Baumgardner  
\*Congregation stands

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Organist, Ruth J. Brown  
Ushers, David Adams, Doug Lee

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BIRTHDAYS

TUESDAY Sandra Cagwin  
WEDNESDAY Jeff Gabriel

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:30 Bd. of Ch. Ed.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.  
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehear-  
sal.  
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Soc.  
with Bertha Mc-  
Taggart.

The poinsettias are in memory of Louise T.  
Somerlot and Bertha M. Tower and are pre-  
sented by John and Bertha McTaggart.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today.  
See it for announcements of our special  
Christmas activities.

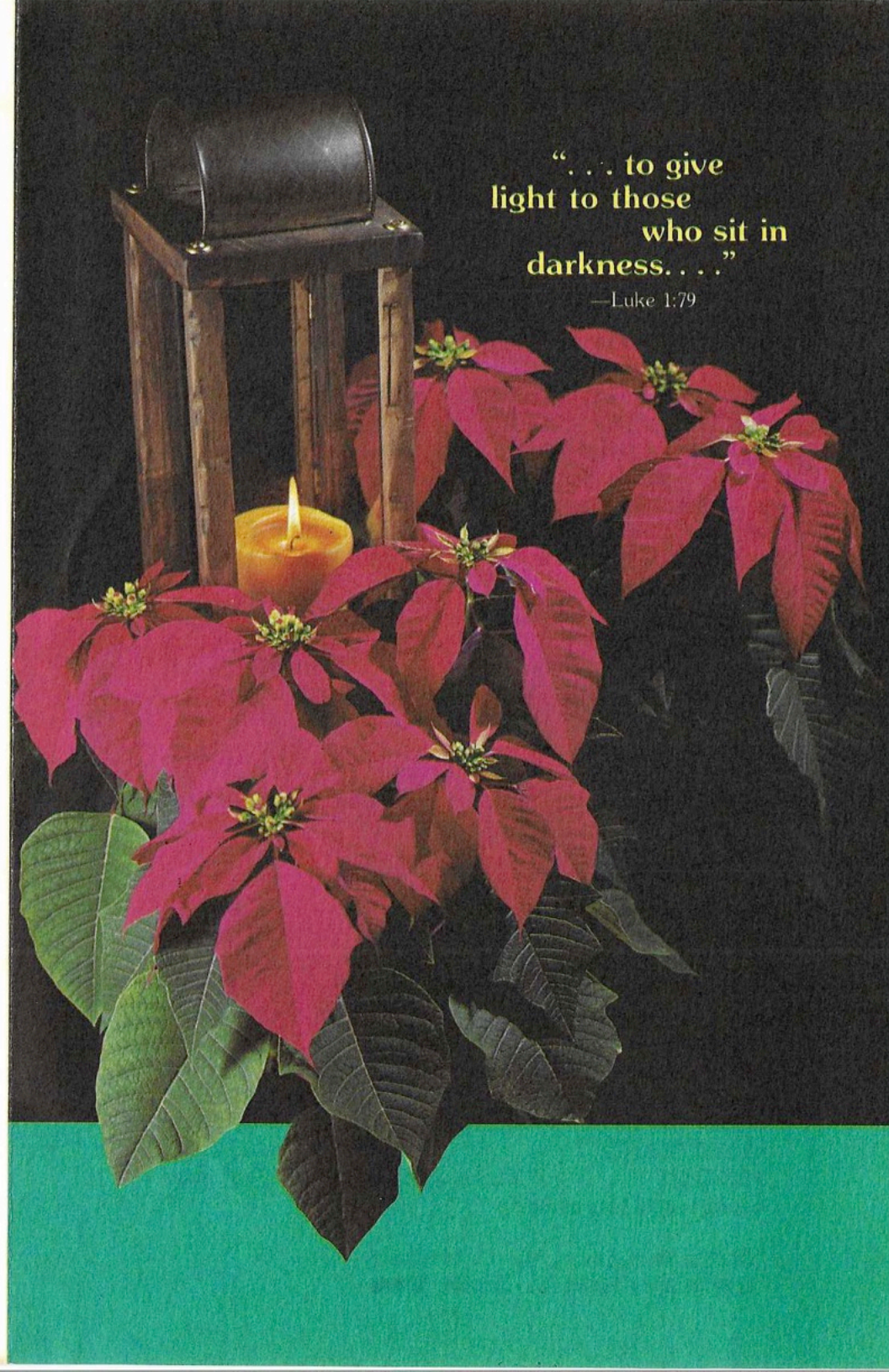
The Fellowship Offering today is for the  
Ministers & Missionaries Benefit Board.  
It meets real need and deserves your sup-  
port.

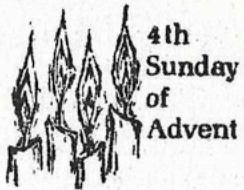
NEXT SUNDAY is our time of financial com-  
mitment. Please read the data in your news-  
letter.

NEXT SUNDAY also means Hanging of the Greens.

“... to give  
light to those  
who sit in  
darkness...”

—Luke 1:79





THE FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH . . . . .

DELAWARE, OHIO

DECEMBER 18, 1977

4th  
Sunday  
of  
Advent

\* \* \* \* \*

\* Christmas is your love for those who \*  
 \* love you, \*  
 \* Your faith that God and you are not \*  
 \* apart; \*  
 \* It is your star, not in the night \*  
 \* above you \*  
 \* But shining in your heart. \*  
 \* Katherine Kilkee\*

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

James B. Stephenson minister  
 J. Stephen Stoner assisting

PRELUDE "Carol Medley" trad.  
 CALL TO WORSHIP  
 \*HYMN, #198 "There's a Song in the Air!"  
 \*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
 \*GLORIA PATRI  
 \*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
 OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 51  
 ANTHEM "Lo How a Rose" Anon.  
 NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 1:18-25  
 MORNING PRAYERS Silence  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 OFFERTORY "Gift" Moore  
 \*HYMN, #199 "Away in a Manger"  
 LESSON "Receiving Gifts"  
 \*HYMN, #184 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"  
 \*BENEDICTION Alleluia  
 POSTLUDE "March Jubilant" Sheppard  
 \*congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum  
 Organist, Ruth J. Brown

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY L. F. Gabriel  
 FRIDAY Darlene Brower  
 NXT SUNDAY Jesus of Nazareth  
 Carol Grubbs  
 Steve & Karen Stoner

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY 7:00 Christmas film,  
 carol singing, &  
 birthday party for  
 Baby Jesus.

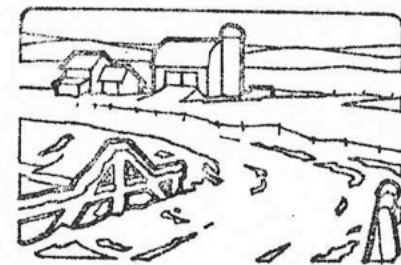
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing group.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir at Whites.

SATURDAY 7:30 Christmas Eve  
 Candlelight Com-  
 munion.

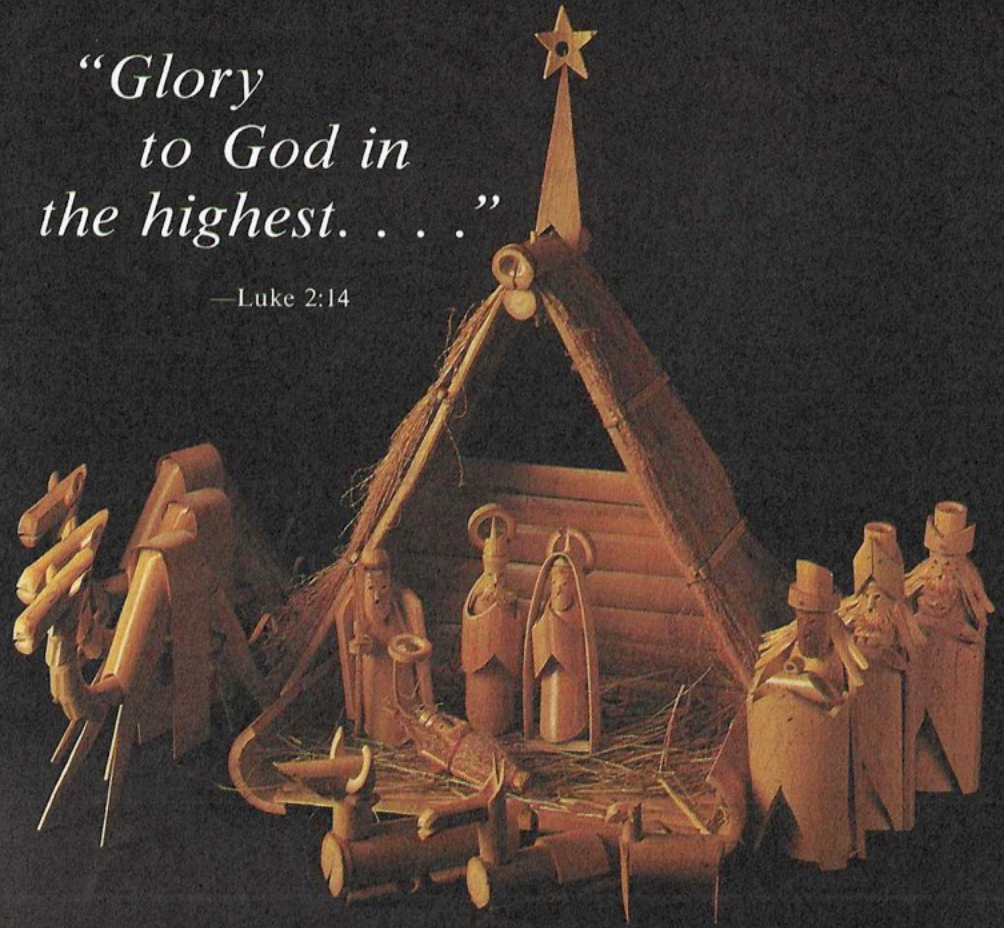
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
 10:45 Christmas Worship.

Contributions for the Christmas Clearing  
 House may be brought to the church or par-  
 sonage. Please bring by Tuesday.



*“Glory  
to God in  
the highest. . . .”*

—Luke 2:14

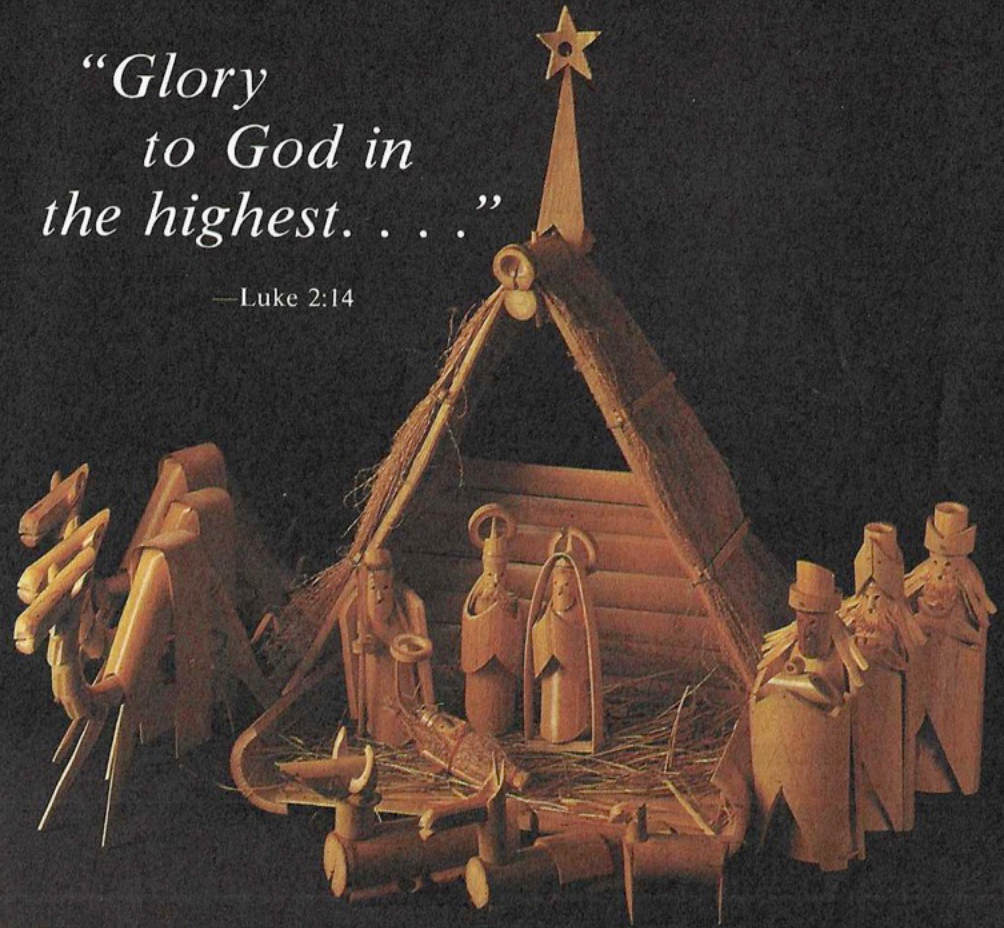






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## Christmas

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CHRISTMAS WORSHIP  
DECEMBER 25, 1977

What man has not in his heart a child  
To whom the world is a wonderment  
And life still a vision undefiled,  
A pocketful of dreams to be spent.

There is little room in the crowded inn  
Where we grownups gather to eat and sleep,  
For the yet-may-be and the might-have-been,  
For the hopes we have hardly the heart to keep.

But at Christmastime for a little while  
The wonderful child may awake and smile.  
- James D. Freeman

### THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION ----- 10:45am

PRELUDE "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" Wilson  
CALL TO CELEBRATION  
\*HYMN, #205 "O Come All Ye Faithful"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
\*FELLOWSHIP TIME  
THE CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-20  
ANTHEM "Mary Had a Baby" Landon  
MORNING PRAYERS  
OFFERTORY "The Sleep of the Child" Smith  
\*HYMN, #198 "There's a Song in the Air"  
SOLO "When a Child Is Born" trad.  
Jeanne Ekelberry  
LESSON "Bethlehem"  
\*HYMN, #190 "Joy to the World"  
BENEDICTION Alleluia  
POSTLUDE "Christmas Fantasy" Kohlman  
\* congregation stands

WE ARE HAPPY you decided to share your  
Christmas Day with us. If you are a visitor  
please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

The flowers are memorial gifts from John and  
Bertha McTaggart honoring Bertha's mother,  
Bertha M. Tower, and sister, Louise T. Somer-  
lot, and from Margaret Danison, honoring her  
sister, Della Swope, and husband, Daniel Dan-  
ison.

God bless your Christmas! God bless you,  
And bless all those you love,  
All those you meet along the street  
And all you take thought of!

God bless your lightest wishes  
And bless your deepest needs,  
The human hungers of your heart  
That only God's love feeds!  
- James D. Freeman

