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Bulletins and
Order of Worship
1981

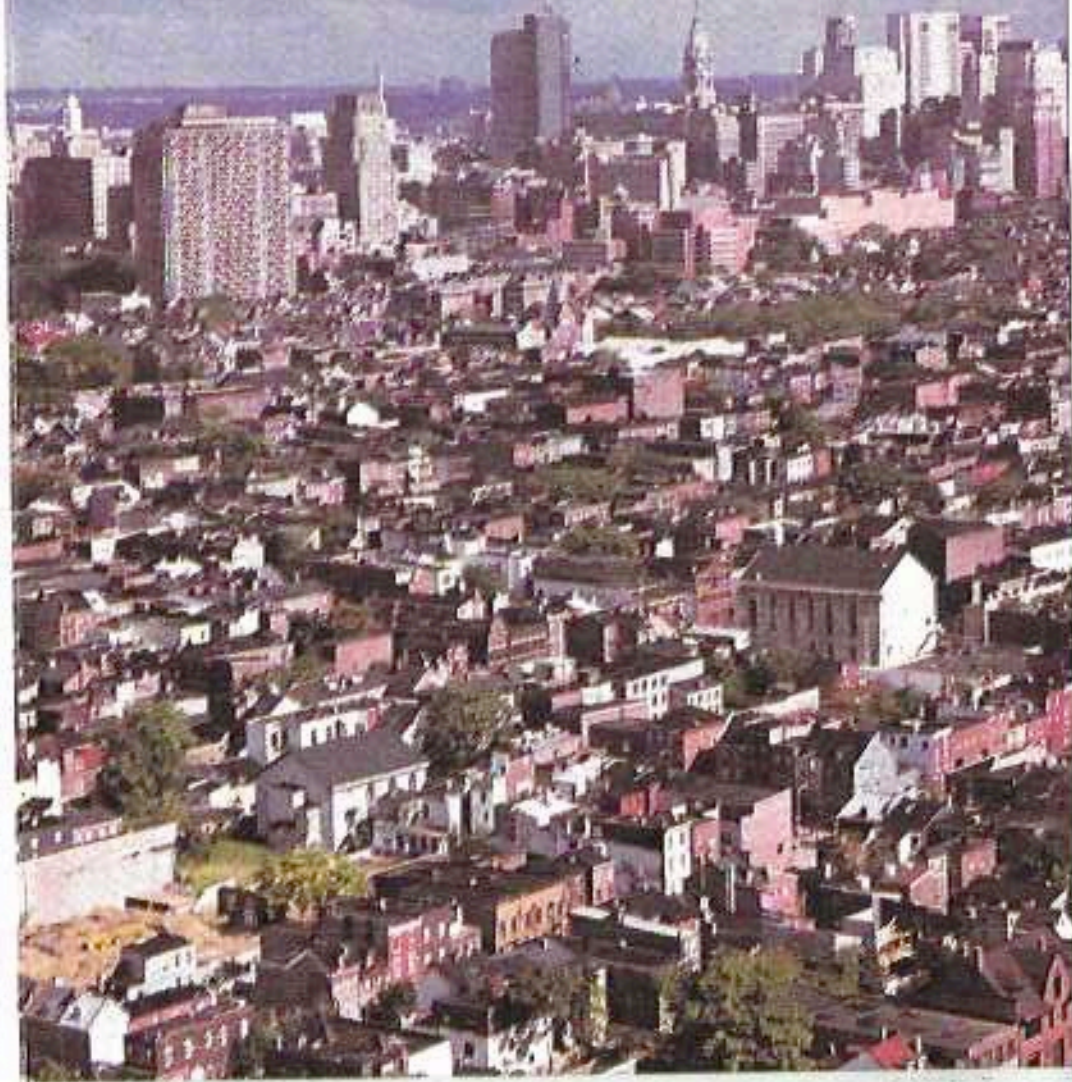
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... and peace
abound,
till
the moon
be no more!
Psalm 72:7



Do not be conformed to this world....

Romans 12:2



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 DELAWARE, OHIO
 JANUARY 18, 1981

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

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It is the newness
 Of the New Year -
 Like that of a new home
 Waiting to be lived in,
 Filled with promise.
 It is the newness,
 The new beginning,
 The letting go
 Of all that is past
 And moving forward,
 Ever forward,
 Into unfolding newness,
 Ever forward
 Toward fulfillment.

- Mildred N. Hoyer

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
 *HYMN, #107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
 *INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
 *GLORIA PATRI
 WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
 ANTHEM "Let Us Sing unto the Lord" Bell
 DEDICATION OF OFFICERS
 TIME OF GREETING
 A SCRIPTURE READING I Kings 18:30-39
 MORNING PRAYERS
 OFFERTORY
 *RESPONSE Doxology
 MESSAGE "Fire from Heaven"
 *HYMN, #165 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
 *BENEDICTION
 *ALLELUIA
 POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
 * Congregation stands

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

 * Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Vickum *
 * Organist, Ruth J. Brown *
 * Ushers, Bruce Lee, Charles Brown, Michael Grubbs *
 * Greeters, Della Dean, Janet Insko *

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK Tim Fogle WEDNESDAY
 Ernestine Frost THURSDAY

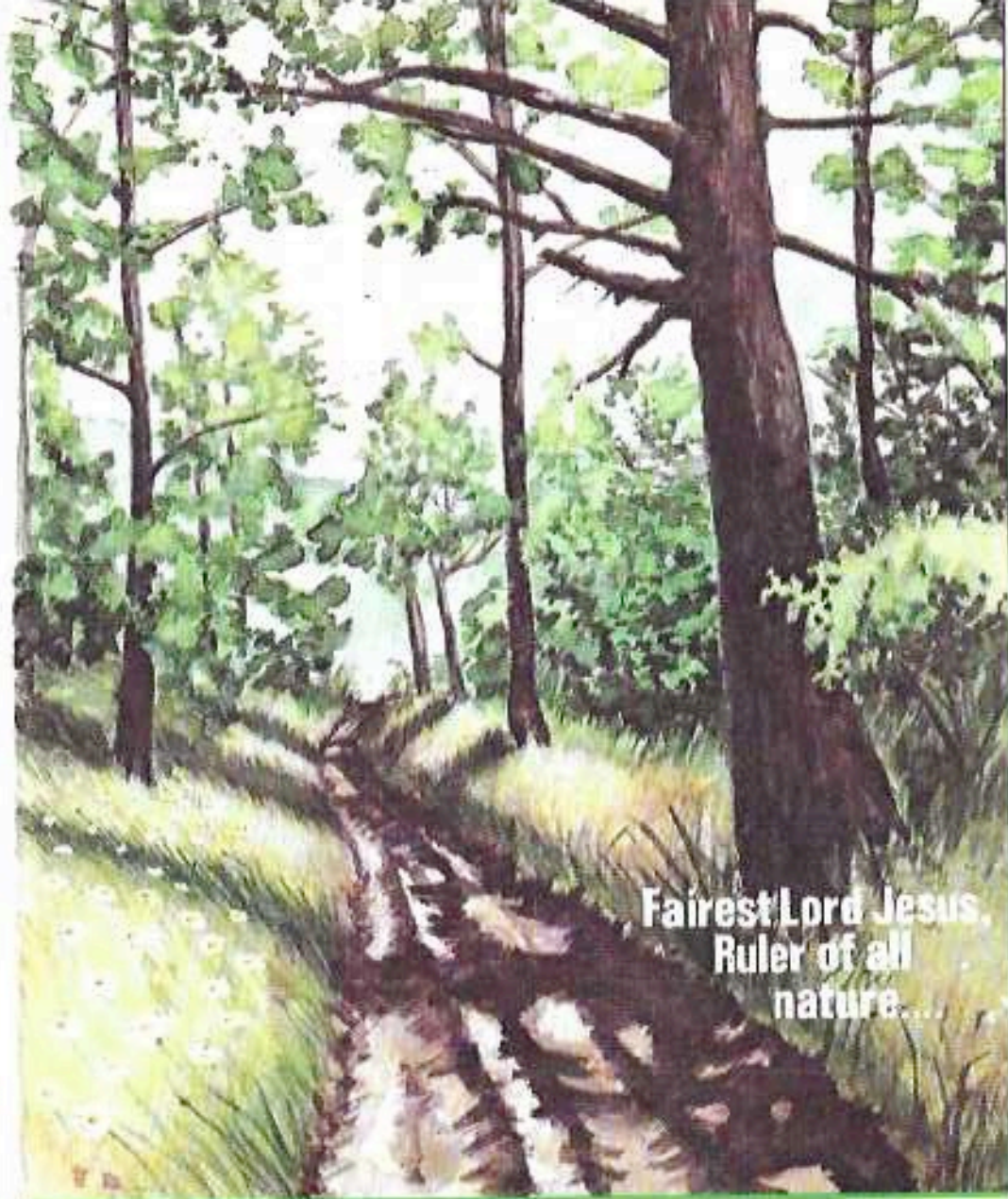
OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council.
 TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the
 personage.
 WEDNESDAY 9:00 Project Group with Beth Trigg.
 Bertha Mc Taggart will speak on
 Church World Service. Bring one
 or more of the following for
 Church World Service: pencils,
 erasers, small pencil sharpener,
 colored pencils, note book, and
 metric ruler.
 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
 NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes for all
 ages.
 10:45 Morning Worship.

Today we dedicate our church officers. Some are already holding office and others are beginning new positions in the structure of the Church fellowship. We appreciate their willingness to serve. A list of officers will appear in next week's newsletter.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will be available next Sunday. Deadline for material is Wednesday night. We need personal news as well as church news! Articles must be no longer than one half an 8 1/2 X 11 page with one inch margins on all sides!

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.



**Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all
nature...**



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELMARE, OHIO
FEBRUARY 1, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Larry Faulk, assisting

To hope
Is not to wave a magic wand
Nor to wish upon a star,
It is to strive
And to believe,
It is to reach for the bud
And expect the flower.
- Dorothy P. Albaugh

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT "We Sing to Thee" Prine
*HYMN, #151 "Here at Thy Table, Lord"
*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspira-
tion of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you and worthily magnify your holy Name.
Through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, say-
ing,

*LORD'S PRAYER

*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 55

ANTHEM "According to Thy Gracious Word" Ritter

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 2:1-11

BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "The Mystery in the Cup"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*COMMUNION HYMN, #295, "Just as I Am"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN, #176 "Blest Be the Tie"

*BENEDICTION

*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*Congregation stands

We welcome visitors to our church! May we have your
name and address in the guest book in the vestibule?
And we cordially invite you to worship with us again!

Leading us in our worship today are
Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell and W. C. Wickham
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Greeters, Ron and Colleen Whitacre
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Charles Brown, Michael Grubbs,
Steven Palmer

OPPORTUNITIES

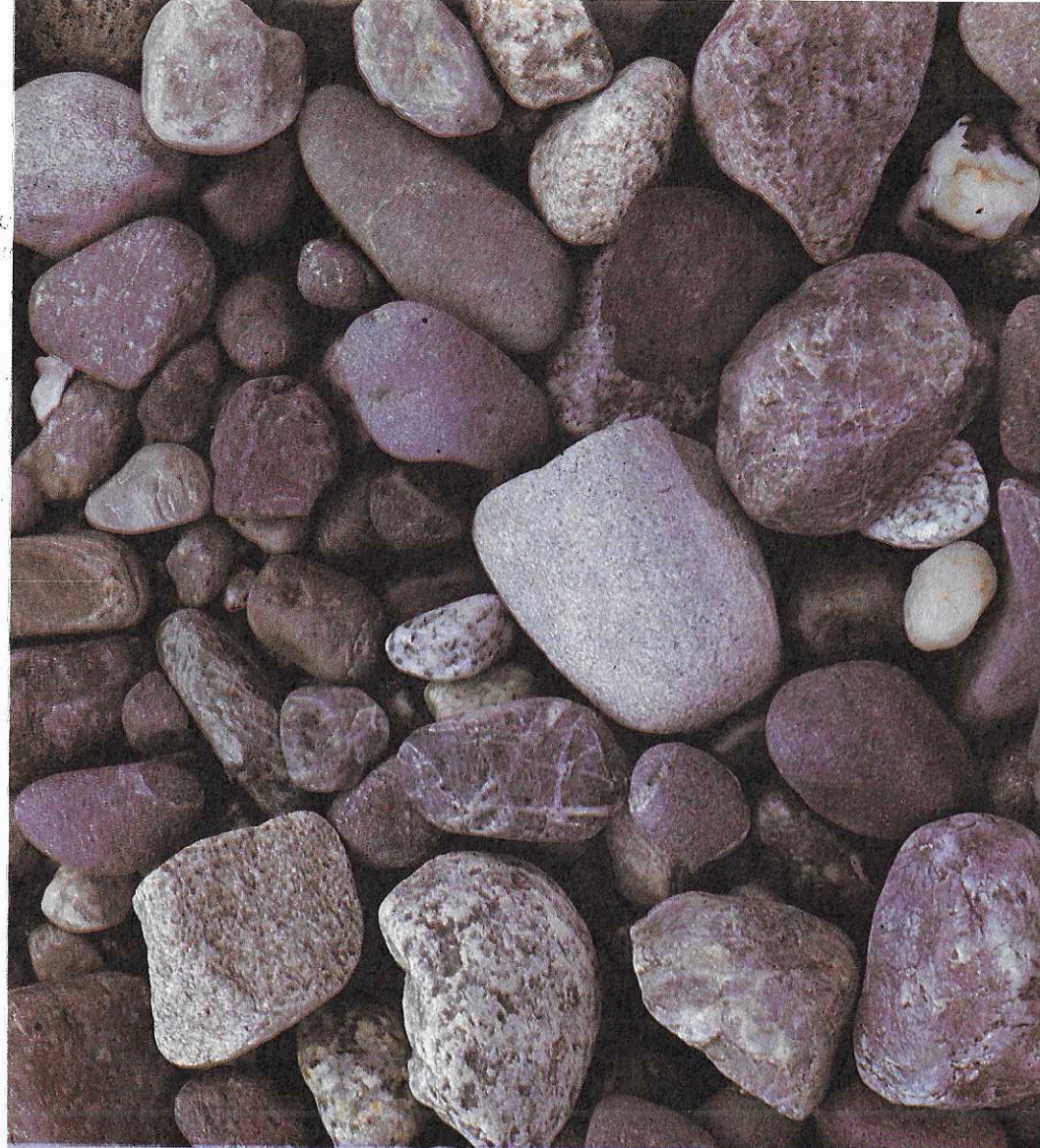
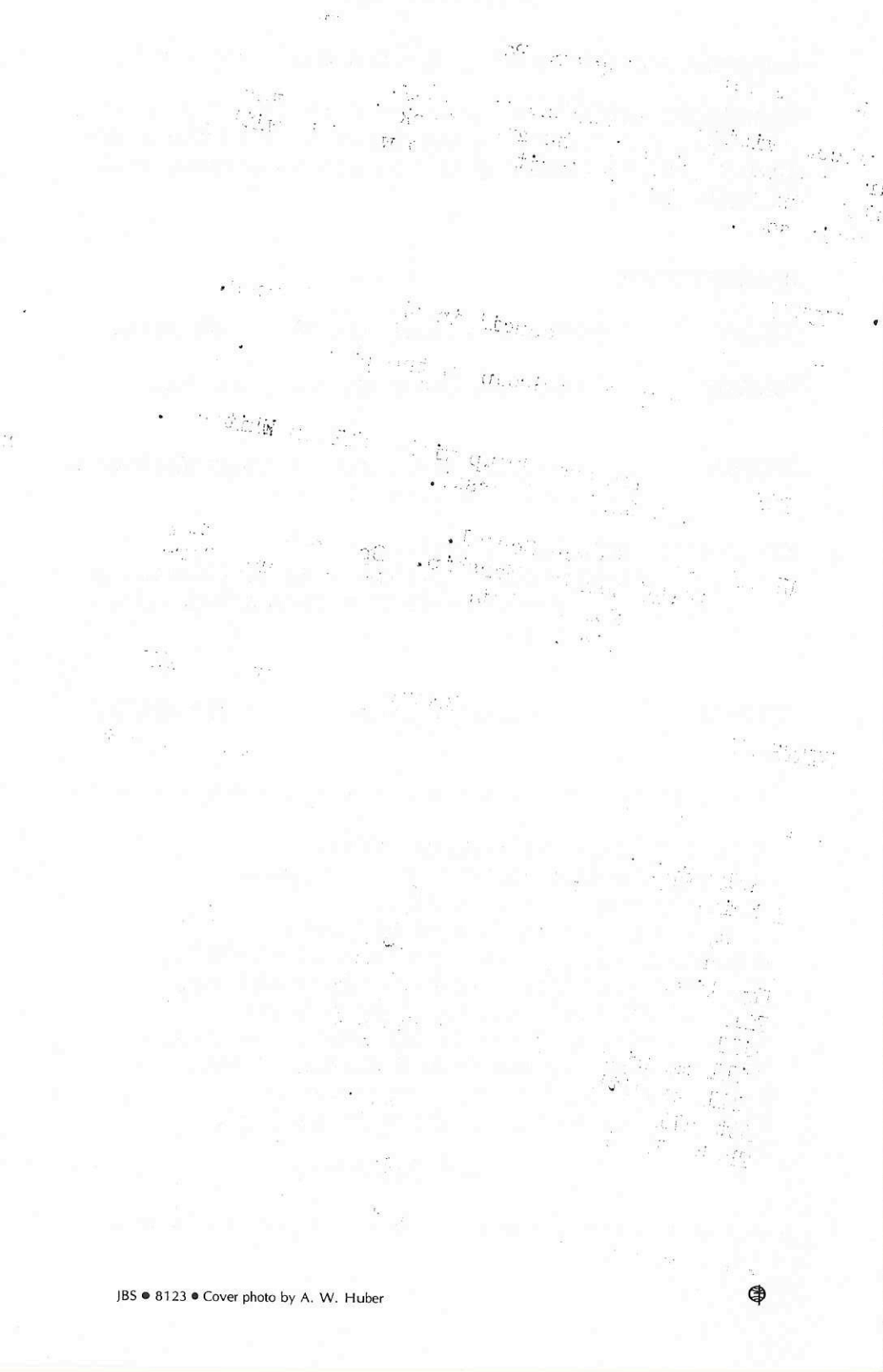
TODAY 7:00 Board of Deacons.
MONDAY 7:30 Board of Christian Ed-
ucation.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the
Parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

BIRTHDAYS

MONDAY D. E. Berkeley
Fred Grubbs
Elizabeth Brown
NEXT SUNDAY Della Dean

Every thought is a prayer. If we think of a person
as being healthy, successful; if we think of that
person in terms of love, if we surround them with
thoughts of love - this is prayer. Whatever we think
about others, becomes a prayer for or against them.
So when we ask ourselves how we should pray, our
question perhaps ought to be, How shall we think?
Ambrose Merrall (adapted)

I HAVE UNSHAKABLE FAITH IN THE PERFECT OUTCOME OF
EVERY SITUATION IN MY LIFE, FOR I KNOW THAT GOD IS
IN ABSOLUTE CONTROL!



**Come as living stones, and let yourselves be used
in building the spiritual temple. . . .**

1 Peter 2:5 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
FEBRUARY 15, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
R. David Lovell, assisting

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A mind enlightened is like heaven;
A mind in darkness is like hell.
- Chinese proverb

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Prayer" Ambrosia
*HYMN, #252 "All Hail the Power"
*INVOCATION (unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and have our being, you have created us for yourself and our hearts are restless till they find rest in you. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose so that we may know your will and follow it in all our activities; through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, saying,

*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
OLD TESTAMENT READING, Psalm 23

SOLO Jeanne Ekelberry

MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY "Meditation" Larson
*RESPONSE Doxology

NEW TESTAMENT READING, John 5:1-9
MESSAGE "Never Too Late"
*HYMN, #261 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Postlude" Haydn
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Mike Grubbs, Charles Brown
Steven Palmer

Our greeters this morning are Pam and Larry Faulk.

We welcome visitors to our church today. May we have your name and address in the guest book in the vestibule? And we cordially invite you to worship with us again soon.

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council in the Youth room.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:00 Project Group with Colleen Whitacre.
7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Morning Worship. Special offering for blankets for Church World Service.

BIRTHDAY Charles Brown NXT SUNDAY

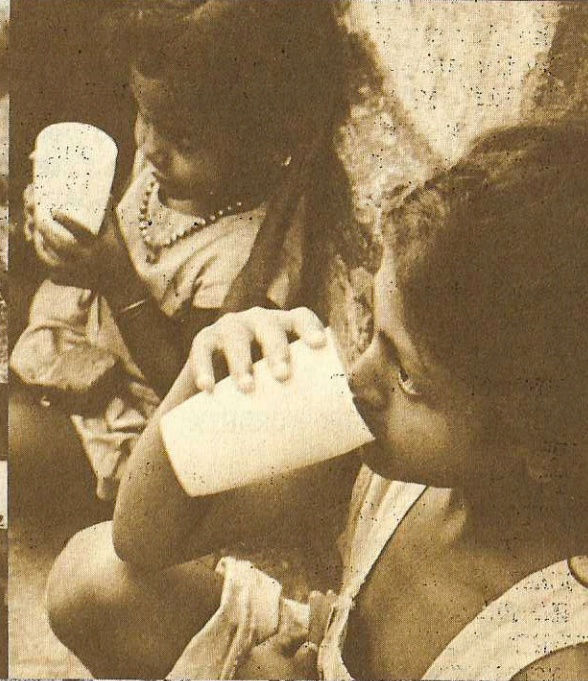
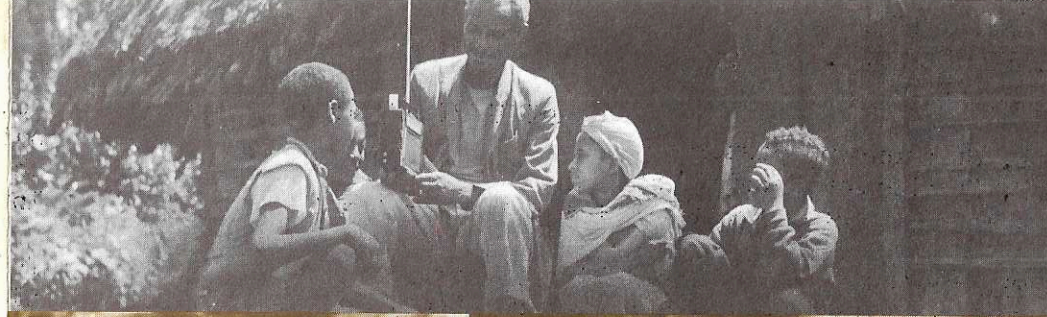
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O Holy Spirit, omnipresent, free,
I bring the only thing I have to Thee,
An empty vessel to be filled;
I open wide the windows of my soul;
Thy light and love pour in to make me whole,
Fill me with wisdom and make clear the way,
Fill me with love for all I meet today,
Fill me with patience if the way seems long,
Fill me with joy and with a gladsome song,
Let all the good so fill and overflow
That all the world may share it as I go.

- Ralph O'Day

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How many loaves do you have?

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN ST.
DELAWARE, OHIO

FEBRUARY 22, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
James M. Stephenson, assisting

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The fruitful harvest for which you pray
Is locked in the seed that you sow today;
The joyous journey you long to make
Begins with the first firm step you take.
So lift your eyes to your special star
And step out boldly from where you are,
Beginning the task that you long to do -
And God will help you to see it through.

- R. H. Grenville

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT "We Sing to Thee" Prine
INVITATION TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #97 "Holy Is the Lord"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 146
ANTHEM "God Can Do This for Me" Johnston
Solo, Colleen Whitacre
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 6:1-14
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE FREE BREAD
MORNING PRAYERS
BLANKET OFFERING
*HYMN, #416 "Sowing in the Morning"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*Congregation stands

Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Choir Directors, MaryLou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Charles Brown, Michael Grubbs,
Steven Palmer

Our greeters today are John and Bertha McTaggart.

We welcome visitors to our worship. May we have your name and address in the guest book in the vestibule? If you do not have a church home in Delaware we invite you to consider becoming a part of our fellowship.

Today is Blanket Sunday among our churches. Your blanket or cash will be a touch of love and life to your brothers and sisters around the world.

Clothing and/or cash for Church World Service can be brought to the church. A box for your use is available in the vestibule. Next weekend is your last opportunity.

Next Sunday we will receive our annual America for Christ offering. This is your chance to share in the outreach for Christ with your fellow American Baptists.

OPPORTUNITIES

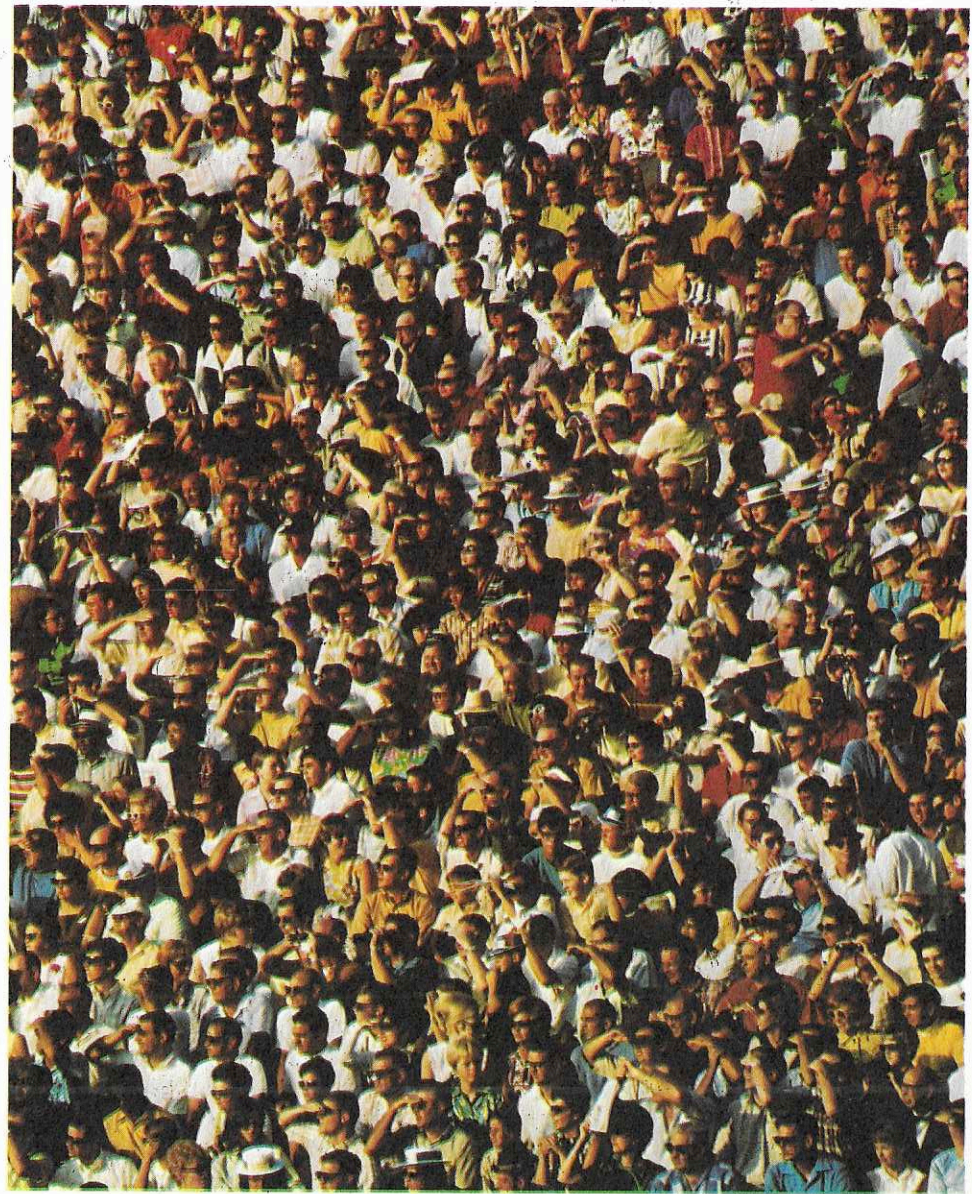
TODAY 2:30 Officers, representatives, and advisors of youth for the Marion Assoc. meet at Fairpark in Marion.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Rehearsal for Choir.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Morning Worship and Holy Communion.
America for Christ offering.

Our Good News Letter will be published next Sunday. All material must be in the office by Wednesday night.

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Something within us is always urging us on, calling us to new endeavors. We cannot stand still. We must not stagnate. There is a loving law which moves us out of our rut to a new expression of life.

- Nona Brooks



“... as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren...”

—Matthew 25:40



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

March 1, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Marjorie Smale, assisting

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Be Thou my bread,
Great God above.
Be Thou my strength
Through night and day,
Pour forth Thy sweet
Red wine of love;
O'erflow the goblet
Of my heart
In Thy all generous way.
Grant me a part with Thee
In all that's good.
Let me live fearlessly
In Christ,
As all men should.

(Myrtle V. Sheppard)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Haydn

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

Almighty God, unto all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy holy Name.
Through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray,

*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 43

ANTHEM "Blest Feast of Love Divine" Handel

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 6:16-24

OFFERTORY "Presence Divine" Smith

*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "Forty-six Steps to the Top"

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING

*HYMN, #161 "Bread of Life"
SOLO "Fill My Cup, Lord" Blanchard
W. C. Wickum

HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN, #176 "Blest Be the Tie"

*BENEDICTION ALLAINDIA

POSTLUDE "I Will Praise Thee" Price

*congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer

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BIRTHDAYS TUESDAY Ted Stephenson
Ron Whitacre
FRIDAY Mary Barkeloo

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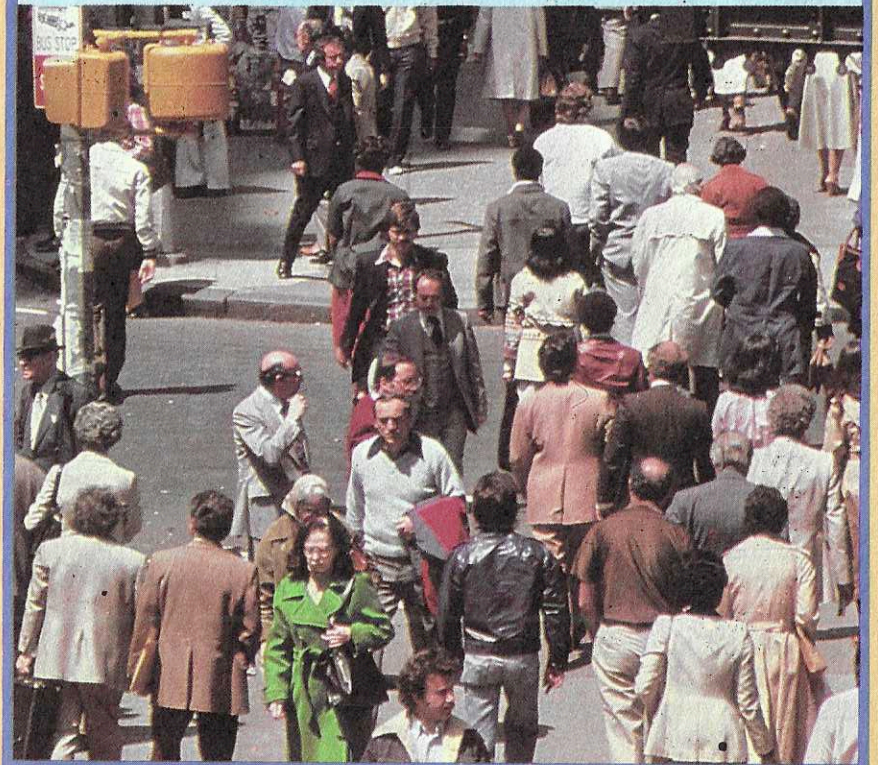
OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 7:00 Deacons.
MONDAY 7:00 Board of Ed. with Carolyn
Schneeberger.
TUESDAY 10:00 Sewing at church until 2:00.
Bring sack lunch.
7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY 9:30 World Day of Prayer at
St. Peter's.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Olive Emery, guest speaker.
11:45 Covered dish dinner.
Discussion with speaker.

GOOD NEWS LETTER IS AVAILABLE TODAY.

“...I was a stranger
and you welcomed
me...”

Matthew 25:35



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

1st Sunday in Lent, March 8, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Olive H. Emery, guest speaker

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Sometimes I stand amazed before the thought
That I am more than outwardly I seem.
I am a secret kingdom. I am wrought
By God in stranger fashion than I dream,
And all my shores are heavenly, my hills
Thrust upward to a sky as yet unknown,
My heart the bird whose song with rapture spills
Across fair meadows that His hand has sown.

Eleanor H. Zimmerman

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT Moffat
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #228 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
A LENTEN SCRIPTURE READING No. 10 (NT)
ANTHEM "But the Lord Is Mindful" Mendelssohn
MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "American Baptists and American Indians"
Olive H. Emery
*HYMN, #373 "A Charge to Keep I Have"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*Congregation stands

Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Steven Palmer, Michael Grubbs,
Steven Palmer

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

Olive H. Emery of Columbus is our guest speaker this
morning. It is a privilege to have her with us. You
are invited to remain after worship for a covered
dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Emery will be
available for questions and discussion.

BIRTHDAYS

MONDAY Annette Ringley
THURSDAY Evan Trigg
NEXT SUNDAY Kristina Brown

OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
SATURDAY 10:30am Children's Choir.

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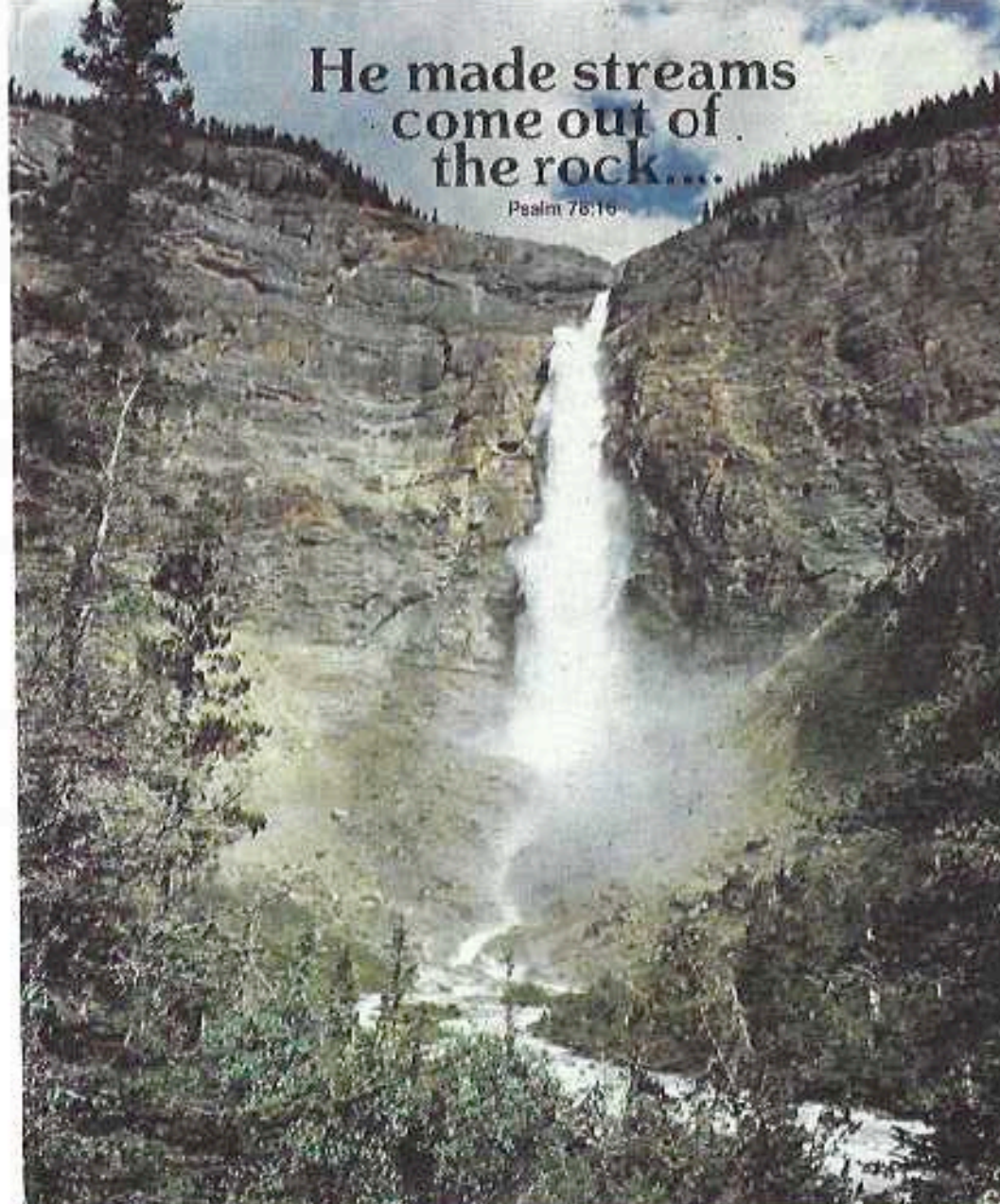
Sometimes I stand amazed that He should be
Partaker of my common daily bread,
Walking the windy hills of life with me,
Marking with me the star-shine overhead,
Drinking with me the water and the wine,
Sharing with me my simple, plain abode,
Tracing with me His infinite design,
And lending me His staff for every stone
road.

Sometimes I stand amazed before the thought
Of how in me His kingdom has been wrought!
Eleanor H. Zimmerman

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He made streams
come out of
the rock....

Psalm 78:16



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

March 15, 1981 - LENT II

James B. Stephenson
pastor

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The central conception of man in the gospels is that he is an unfinished creation capable of reaching a higher level. (Maurice Nicoll)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Agnus Dei" Bizet
INTROIT The Choir
*HYMN, #98 "Praise to the Lord"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 44
ANTHEM "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" Bach
MORNING PRAYERS
SOLO "The Lost Chord" Sullivan
Jeanne Ekelberry
OFFERTORY "Londonderry Air" Irish Folk Melody"
*RESPONSE Doxology
SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 2:4b-9
MESSAGE "Journey to Eden"
*HYMN, #161 "Eternal Spirit evermore Creating"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Largo" Handel
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Charles Brown,
Michael Grubbs, Steven Palmer

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

BIRTHDAYS
TODAY Kristina Brown
WEDNESDAY David Lovell
FRIDAY Colleen Whitacre

EVENTS

TODAY 6:30 Crane Memorial Com. at church.

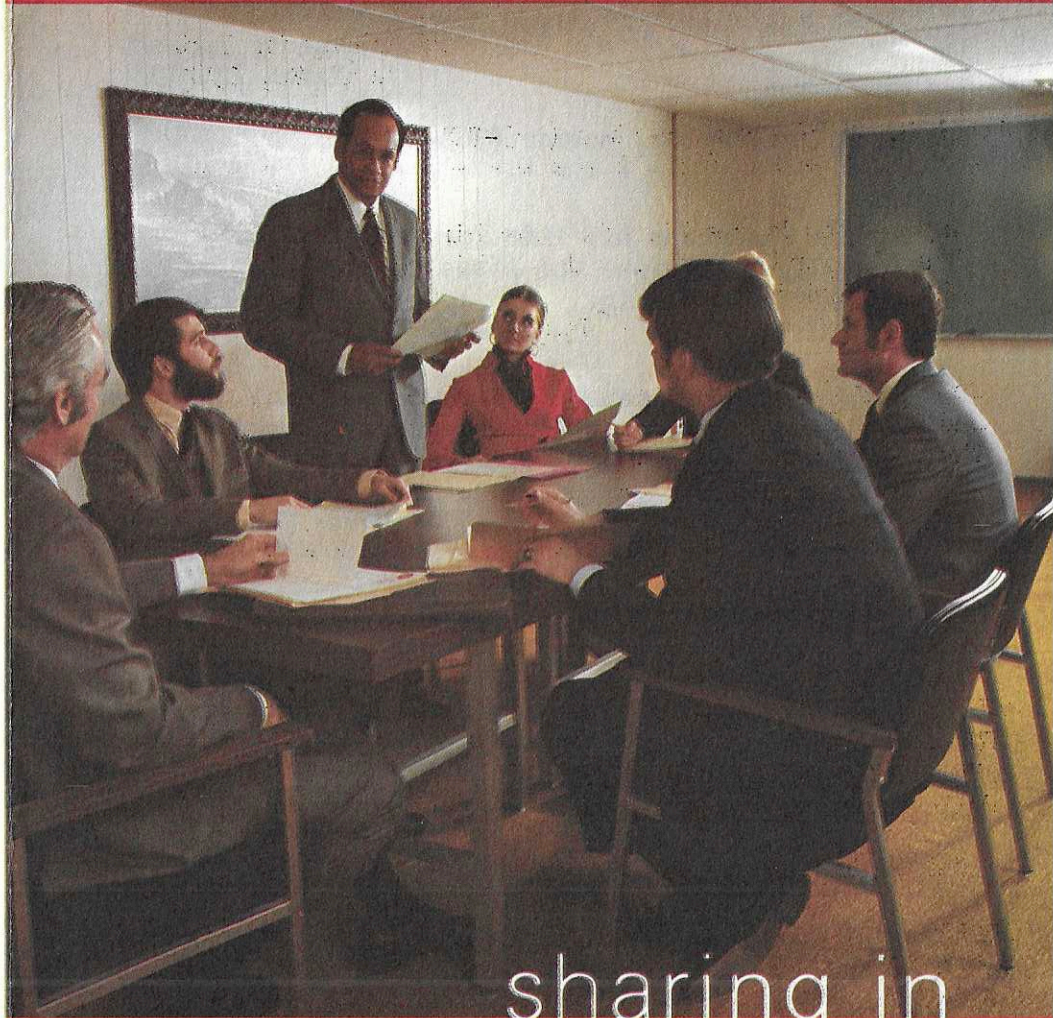
MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council.

WEDNESDAY 9:00 a.m. Project Group at Mary Lou Lovell's. Bertha VanBrimmer will speak on Care and Share

SAURDAY 10:30 Children's Choir.

NOTES TO TAKE HOME

See Fellowship



sharing in
God's
work — 2 Corinthians 6:1



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 22, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor (363-7021)

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Anyone who keeps his life for himself shall
lose it; and anyone who loses his life for me
shall find it again.

- Jesus

Too many devious paths lead down the land,
And I shall need in that strange, vast unknown,
Thy hand upon my hand.

- anon.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
CALL TO WORSHIP INTROIT
*HYMN, #122 "Come Thou Almighty King"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI

A TIME OF SELF-EXAMINATION

ANTHEM "Pardon" Ficus
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
A SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10:32-34
MESSAGE "From Galilee to Jerusalem"
*HYMN, #250 "Crown Him with many Crowns"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Charles Brown, Michael Grubbs,
Steven Palmer

WELCOME TO THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH! We are all
strengthened by your presence and we trust that you
will also feel strengthened. May we have your name
and address in our guest book in the vestibule?

BIRTHDAYS

TUESDAY Helen Aleshire
WEDNESDAY Cary Fogle

(missed birthdays)

March 14 Chris Treese
March 20 Micah Stoner

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 11:30 Talent Show participants meet
in Fellowship Hall with Colleen.
7:00 Talent Show in the Fellowship
Hall. FUN FOR ALL. Offering to
be received for the Women's Mis-
sion Society.
MONDAY 7:30 Ice Cream Social Committee meet
in the Youth Room.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the Parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY 12:15 Lenten Worship at William St.
Methodist Church, sponsored by
the Church Women United.
SATURDAY 10:30 Children's Choir.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes.
10:45 Morning Worship.
11:45 Quarterly Business Meeting.

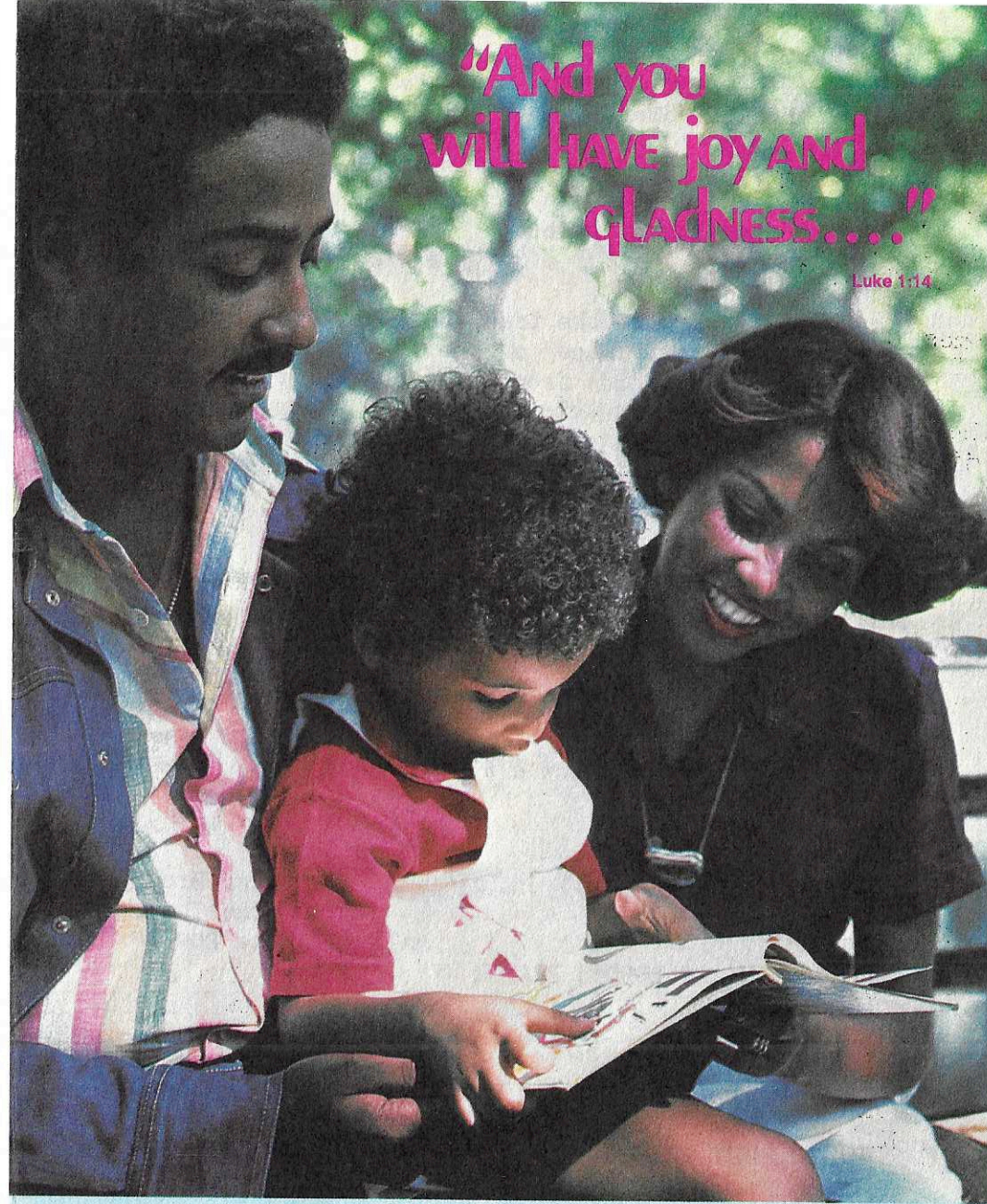
The Laymen's Breakfast will be held Wednesday at
7:30am at the Holiday Inn. There will be a weekly
breakfast through Lent.

We are shaped and fashioned by what we love.
- Goethe

If you would be loved, love. (Hecato)

**"And you
will have joy and
gladness...."**

Luke 1:14



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO
MARCH 29, 1981

LENT IV

James B. Stephenson, pastor

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The acorn knows what the tree shall be. It contains within itself the "image" of the tree, and as the tree grows and unfolds from the acorn it grows and unfolds according to this image. The unconscious mind contains the image of the whole person we are to become, the person in the Mind of God.

John Sanford

Alter your mental picture of yourself, and see yourself, by his grace, as already the changed personality which deep in your heart you desire to be.

Leslie Weatherhead

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT The Choir
*HYMN, #252 "All Hail the Power"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 9
SOLO "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Mozart
W. C. Wickum
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 22:31-24
MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "Disguises of the Adversary"
*HYMN, #241 "Lift up Your Voices Now"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

*Congregation stands

assisting in our worship are
Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum, choir directors
Ruth J. Brown, organist
Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown, Steven Palmer, ushers

We welcome you to First Baptist Church! We trust that you will feel God's presence as you worship with us. You are cordially invited to share in all the activities of the church.

BIRTHDAY W. C. Wickum Saturday

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

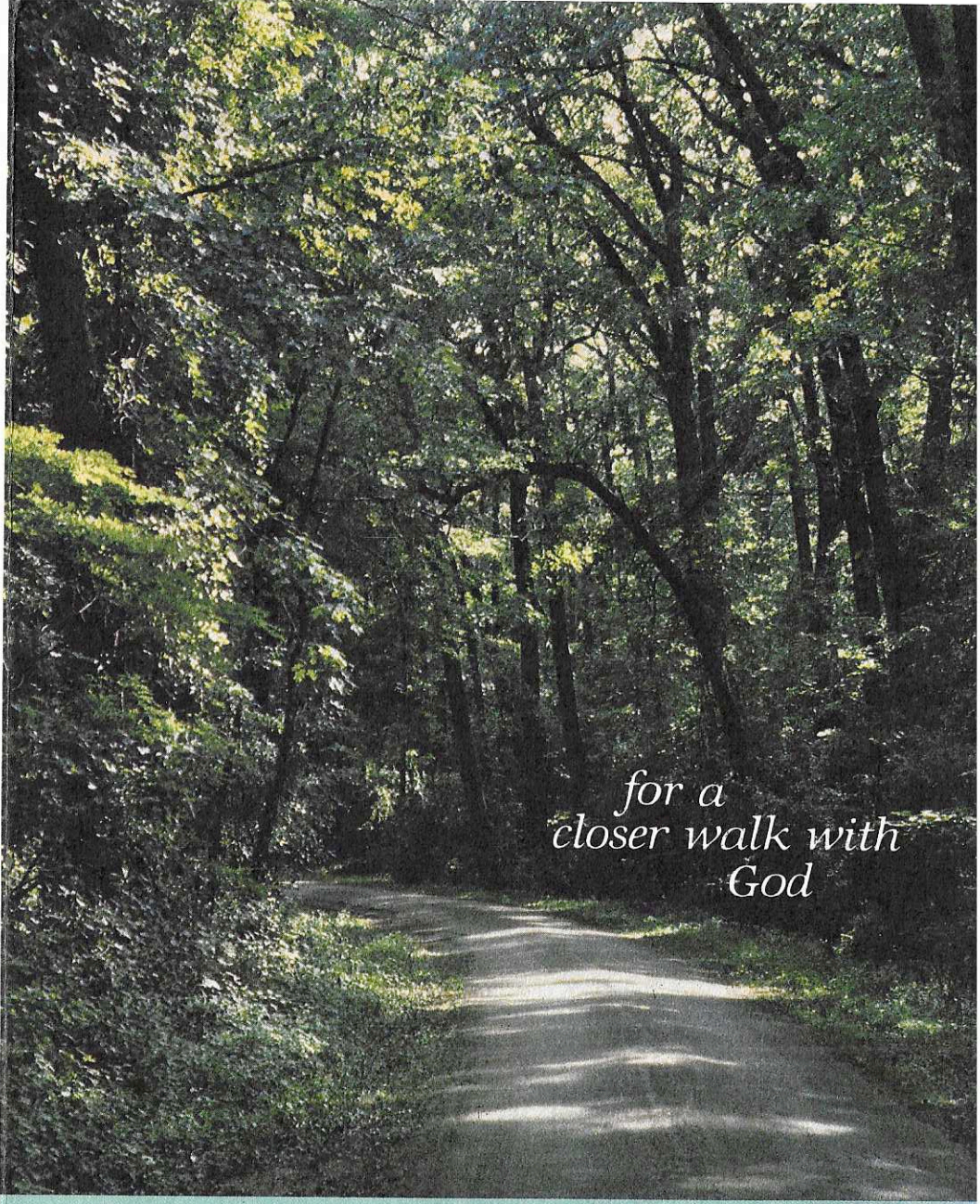
TODAY 11:45 Quarterly Business Meeting.
7:00 Meditation Group.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Growth Group at the church.
THURSDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY 12:15 Lenten Worship at William St. Church.
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes for all ages.
10:45 Worship and Holy Communion.
Special offering for hunger.

The Laymen's Breakfast will be held at the Holiday Inn Wednesday at 7:30am.

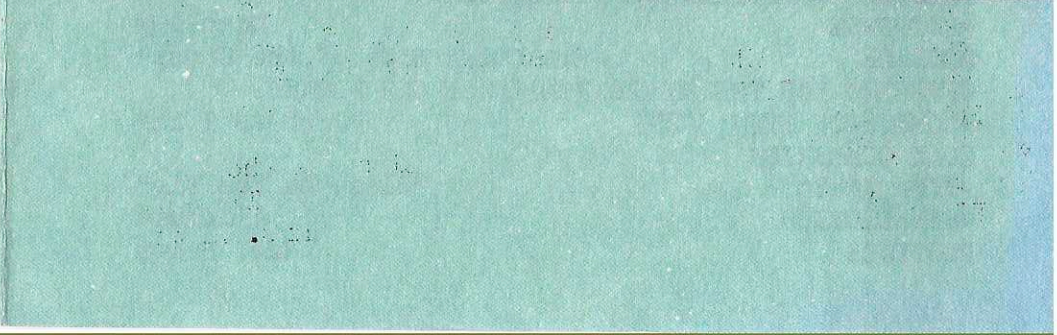
Next Sunday we will receive a special offering for the hungry people of our planet. One out of four persons is living at the starvation level; at least a quarter of a million children go blind each year for lack of Vitamin A. Give from your heart!

The last newsletter invited you to join a special class for Lent. There is interest in a meditation group and so we begin tonight. Time, 7:00, place, the the office. We will meet for about 45 min.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK!



*for a
closer walk with
God*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

LENT V
April 5, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor
John B. McTaggart, assisting

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Out of the tomb of doubt
Into the light of faith;
Out of the tomb of hate
Into the light of love;
Out of the tomb of death
Into the light of life;
Out of the tomb of despair
Into the light of joy!
- Mildred N. Hoyer

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
CALL TO WORSHIP INTROIT
*HYMN, #235 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 3
ANTHEM "Adoramus te Christe" Dubois
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 27:27-54
SOLO "Morning has Broken" Stevens
Beth Trigg

MORNING PRAYERS
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "The Other Side of the Cross"
OFFERING FOR THE HUNGRY PEOPLE OF OUR PLANET
*COMMUNION HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am"
HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #176 "Blest Be the Tie"
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum, choir directors
Ruth J. Brown, organist
Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer, ushers

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 7:00 Meditation Group at the church.
MONDAY 7:00 Board of Education with
Carol Grubbs.
7:30 Vacation Bible Committee in
the youth room.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Laymen's Breakfast at the
Holiday Inn.
THURSDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY 12:15 Lenten Worship at William St.
Church.
SATURDAY 10:30 Children's Choir.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:15 Worship.
Cantata, DARKNESS AND DAWN.

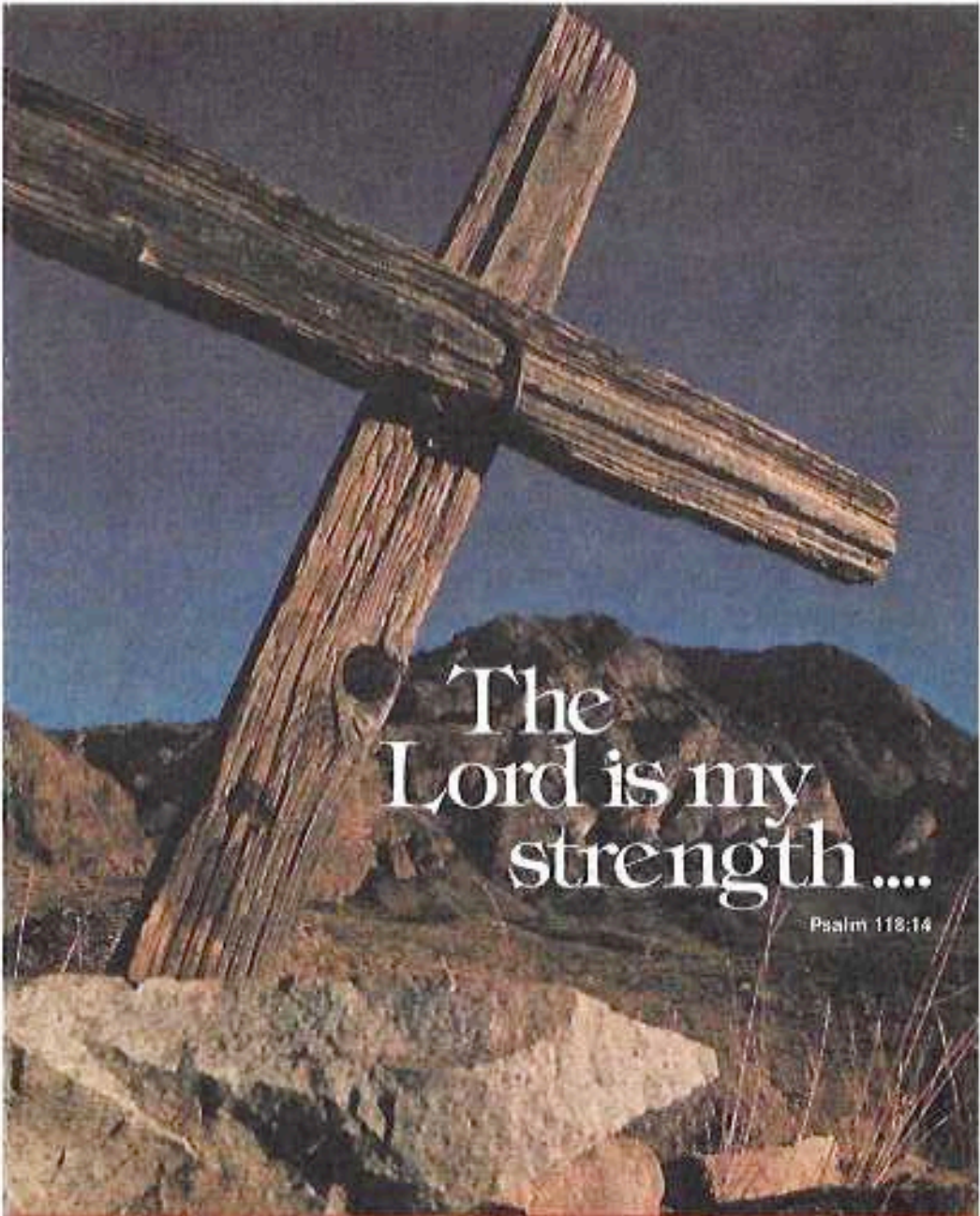
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Crude, hand-hewn cross, planted hard
On Golgotha, lifting man and placard,
"King of the Jews."
Why did he die? Scourged, spit upon,
Thorn-crowned, athirst, nailed up
To die in blood?
Why? Why a cross for him but for me
Forgiveness, peace, assurance,
Cleansing - heaven? Heaven!
What if there had been no cross?
- Rod Huron

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HAVE A GOOD WEEK!

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The Lord is my strength...

Psalm 118:14

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
MAY 3, 1981

James B. Stephenson
Pastor
Larry Faulk
Assisting

THE CHURCH WHERE ALL GOOD THINGS ARE POSSIBLE

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 55
ANTHEM "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" Moffatt
NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 6:3-11

OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE, The Doxology

MESSAGE "Resurrection Life"
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
*COMMUNION HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am"
HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #476 "The Tie that Binds"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer

We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship today. May you feel the presence of the living Jesus in our midst! We invite you to share in the activities of our fellowship. May we have your name and address in our guest book in the vestibule?

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE Mr. and Mrs. Ben Turney into the membership of our church. They come by letter of transfer from the Asbury United Methodist Church. They live at 76 Campbell and their phone is 369-3335.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 6:00 Deacons
7:00 Meditation Group
MONDAY 7:00 Board of Education at the parsonage
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir rehearsal
9:30am - 2:00pm Sewing at the church, bring sack lunch
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School
10:45 Mothers' Day Worship.

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Michael Linn, Rick VanBrimmer
WEDNESDAY George Young
THURSDAY Bertha VanBrimmer
FRIDAY Michael Ekelberry
SATURDAY John McTaggart
NXT SUNDAY Beth & Archie Trigg

A DISCIPLESHIP CLASS is being organized for those who are considering following Jesus as disciples and who will desire to receive baptism. Please contact the pastor if you are interested. We anticipate baptism on the Sunday of Pentecost, June seventh.

I would be patient, for Jesus Christ was patient.
I would be kind, for Jesus Christ was kind.
One thing I seek, to follow in his footsteps,
To have in me the mind that was his mind.
Dorothea Garrison

"... for all ... know
that you are a
woman of worth."
Ruth 3:11



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN ST.
DELAWARE, OHIO

James D. Stephenson
pastor
Jerry L. Palmer
assisting

MOTHERS' DAY May 10, 1981
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT The Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #598 "Now Thank We All Our God"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 19
ANTHEM "God, Give Us Christian Homes" McKinney
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 19:23-27
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE, the Doxology
MORNING PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMES
MESSAGE "A Name for God"
*HYMN, #419 "Jesus Thou Joy"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, P. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Greeters, Mr. & Mrs. L. P. Gabriel
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer

WE EXTEND a cordial welcome to all our visitors to-
day. We invite you to share in all the activities
of our fellowship. May we have your name in the
guest book in the vestibule?

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all the mothers in our church
this morning. We are glad you decided to be with us.

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 7:00 BYF
MONDAY 7:30 Church Growth Seminar
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage
WEDNESDAY 9:30-2:00 Sewing Day at church
Bring sack lunch
7:30 Choir rehearsal
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Society at church
SATURDAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL ON COURT HOUSE
LAWN sponsored by our church as
part of the ARTS FESTIVAL

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Archie and Beth Trigg
FRIDAY Betty Porter

THERE HAVE BEEN BUT two responses to last week's
announcement that a discipleship class is to be held
leading to baptism and church membership. Contact
Steve immediately if interested.

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A MOTHER'S PRAYER . . .
Teach me to choose, as Mary did,
That better part;
To be less mindful of the body's needs;
More, of the heart.

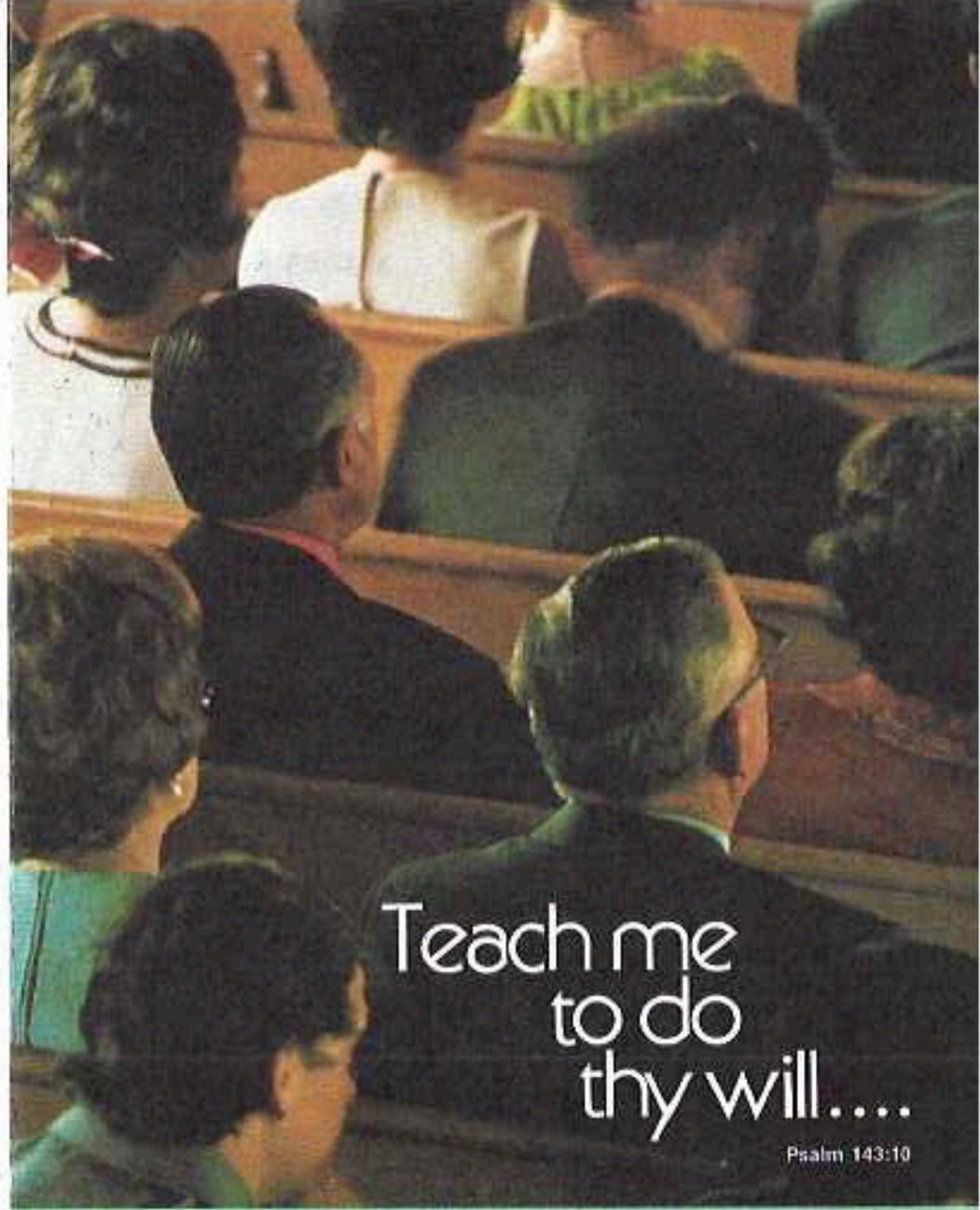
Give me the wisdom to discern
The greater good;
To hunger for the heavenly manna more
Than earthly food.

Teach me, while wholesome food, clean floors,
And raiment neat
Are needful, that the better part is found
At Jesus' feet. (Jessie W. Murton)

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REMEMBER - Newsletter deadline is Wednesday night!

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Teach me
to do
thy will....

Psalm 143:10



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James B. Stephenson
pastor
Willard G. Fogle
assisting

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God's power within you supports your highest desires,
undergirds your being, sustains your life, opens
doors, lifts all burdens, dissolves all blocks,
clears every path, bursts all bonds - as you open up
to it. from DAILY WORD

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
INTROIT
*HYMN, #252 "All Hail the Power"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI

FELLOWSHIP

OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 25
ANthem "As Breathes the Wind" by James Reese
MORNING PRAYERS and MEDITATION
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE The Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING II Thessalonians 2:1-15
MESSAGE "Man of Lawlessness"
*HYMN, #346 "Take Time to be Holy"
*BENEDICTION Choral Response
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles
Brown, Steven Palmer

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WE WELCOME visitors to our worship today. We are
glad to have you with us! We invite you to share
in all the activities of our fellowship. May we
have your name and address in our guest book in the
vestibule?

A HEARTFELT thank you to all who worked for the suc-
cess of our ice cream social yesterday.

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council
8:15 Church Growth Seminar
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage
WEDNESDAY 9:30-2:00 Sewing at church
Bring sack lunch
7:30 Choir rehearsal
THURSDAY 7:30 Eva Shepard Circle with Mary
Barkeloo
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School
10:45 Morning Worship

BIRTHDAYS
MONDAY Lance Whitacre
WEDNESDAY Jeff Cagwin
NXT SUNDAY Jean Wickum

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will be published next Sunday
IF our typewriter is back with us.

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Be at peace among yourselves. (I Thess. 5:13)
I can do all things through Christ. (Phil. 4:13)
If you would enter life, keep the commandments.
(Matt. 19:17)

Forgetting what lies behind, I press on. (Phil. 3:13)

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HAVE A GOOD WEEK!



"Let your heart hold fast my words. . . ."

Proverbs 4:4

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson
pastor

FATHERS' DAY June 21, 1981
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About mountains it is useless to argue,
You have either been up or you haven't;
The view from halfway is nobody's view.
The best flowers are mostly at the top
Under a ledge, nourished by the wind.
A sense of smell is of less importance
Than a sense of balance, walking on clouds
Through holes in which you can see the earth
Like a rich man through the eye of a needle.
The mind has its own level to find. (R. S. Thomas)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
INTROIT "rejoice!"
*HYMN, #348 "Faith of Our Fathers"
*INVOCATION (unison)

Lord bless our families. We thank you for
this place of worship; for the love that unites
us; for the peace that encourages us; for our
homes and health and hope. Father bless our
families and all the families of the earth.

*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
MEDITATIONS and PRAYERS
SOLO (W. C. Wickum) "Praise the Lord"
by Humphreys

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:13-29
"LET'S TALK ABOUT CHURCH GROWTH" Betty Porter
OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "A Gift for Father"
*HYMN, #171 "My Father's World"
*BENEDICTION and response

Go in peace, go in love, finding God in each other.
Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we're sister and
brother. Led by His Spirit, His strength each day,

light for the way, together. Go in peace, go in love,
God be with you forever!
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
* Congregation stands

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Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer

BIRTHDAYS
Myrtle Smith, Beth Trigg WEDNESDAY
Cindy Lathrop SATURDAY

We extend a special welcome to all fathers who are
worshipping with us today.

We also welcome all our visitors. Please feel free
to attend all the activities of our fellowship. May
we have your name and address in our guest book in the
vestibule?

The annual picnic of the Women's Mission Society will
be held Thursday at 6:00pm with Marilyn Cary, 1113
Berlin Station Road.

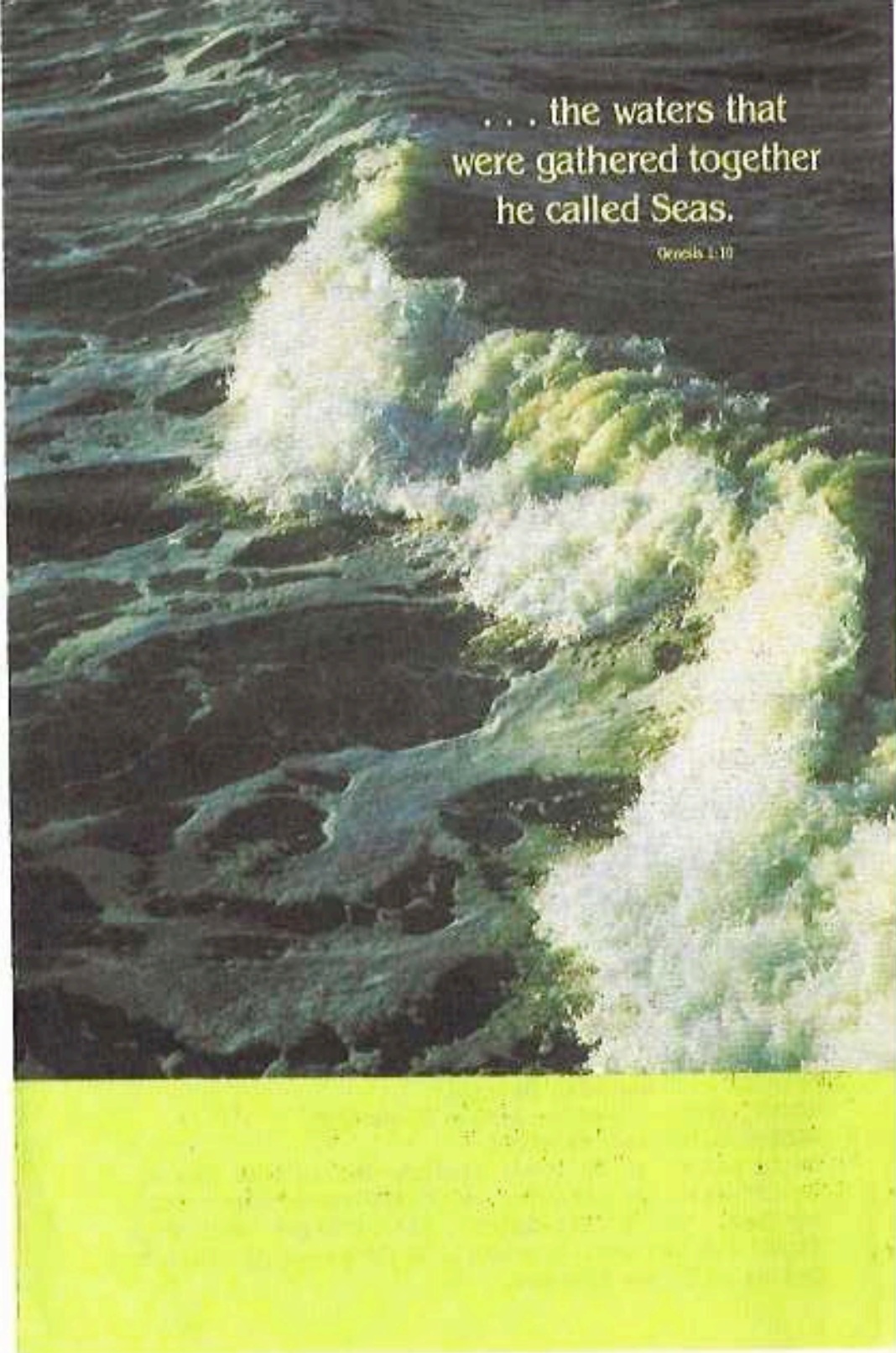
Joseph Michael Mowery and Alison Sue Linn invite all
those of our church fellowship to be with them when
they are united in marriage at 1:30pm, Saturday, June
27, in our Sanctuary.

Our Healing Group meets Tuesday at 7:30pm at the par-
sonage.

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Afoot and light-hearted I take to the open road,
Healthy, free, the world before me,
The long brown path before me leading wherever I
choose. (Walt Whitman)

... the waters that
were gathered together
he called Seas.

Genesis 1:10



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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JUNE 28, 1981

James B. Stephenson
pastor

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Shepherd, shall I tend your sheep,
I who have scant shepherd's skill?
But I hear them weep and weep,
And if I do not go who will?
The sheep do not belong to me,
I am not sure where the sheepfold is;
But looking around, I do not see -
In a world that is not mine but His -
Any to come save such as I;
And so there is nothing else to do,
When in the dark I hear them cry,
But look for a light to lead them to.

- James Dillet Freeman

+++++ THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE "Hosanna" by Norman
*HYMN, #165 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 13
SOLO (Jean Ekalberry) "How Great Thou Art"
by Bobery

MORNING PRAYERS
"LET'S TALK ABOUT CHURCH GROWTH" Polly Focke
OFFERTORY "Stand up for Jesus" by Clark
*RESPONSE Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 14:53,53;66-72
MESSAGE "Something Special"
*HYMN, #1401 "Savior like a Shepherd"
*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE
Go in peace, go in love, finding God in each other.
Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we're sister and
brother. Led by His Spirit, His strength each day,
light for the way, together, Go in peace go in love,
God be with you forever.

POSTLUDE "Postlude on a Theme" Mendelssohn
* Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Charles Brown,
Steven Palmer

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage
- WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 sewing at the church -
bring sack lunch
- NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 Worship and Holy Communion

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today.

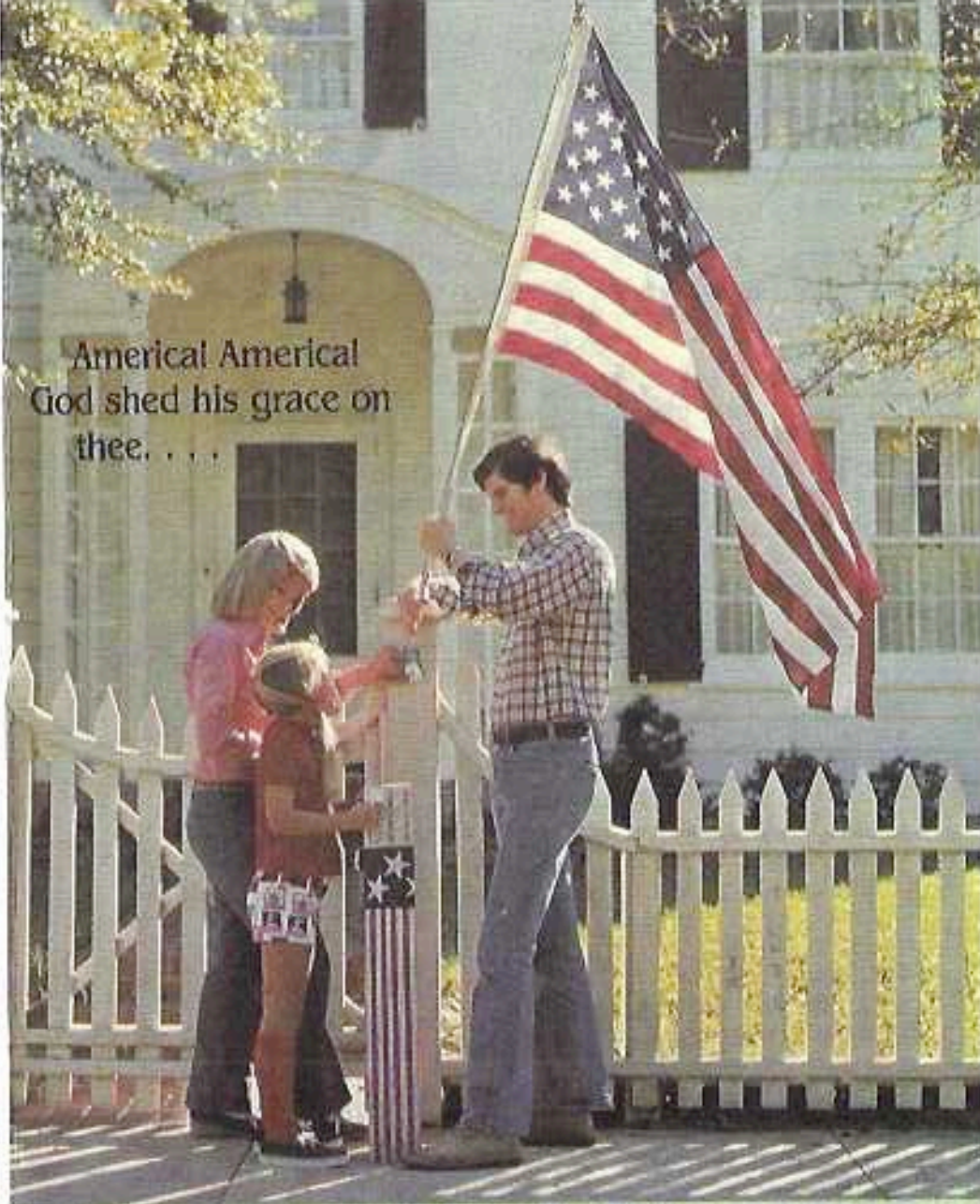
Gina K. Evans and Kendall O. Jones invite our church
fellowship to be with them when they are united in
marriage at 6:30pm, Friday, July 3, in our Sanctuary.

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Though God, God only, can create,
I till and weed, and then I wait,
And in the thicket of my thought
Bloom flowers that I never wrought.
I stand in wonder and behold
Beauty I never sowed unfold,
Visions of faith, insights of love,
Truths that I had no forethought of.

Somehow there is in me yet more
Than I myself might settle for,
A faith that brings perfection out
Past my own powers. I have no doubt
One day all unexpectedly
The rose of Christ shall bloom in me.

- James Dillet Freeman
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America
America
God shed his grace on
thee. . . .



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO
JULY 5, 1981

James B. Stephenson
pastor
Marjorie Smale
assisting

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The Church where all good things are possible
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Our country has a gospel of her own
To preach and practice before all the world-
The freedom and divinity of man,
The glorious claims of human brotherhood,
And the soul's loyalty to none but God.
- James Russell Lowell

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MORNING WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
*HYMN, #518 "My Country!"
*INVOCATION unison
O God, author of eternal Light, lead us in our
worshiping this day; that our lips may praise
You, our lives may bless You, our meditations
may glorify You, thru Christ our Lord who taught
us to pray, saying,
*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
ANTHEM "My Native Land" by Sibelius
MORNING PRAYERS
"LET'S TALK ABOUT CHURCH GROWTH" Carol Grubbs
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "My Brother Judas"
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
*COMMUNION HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am"
HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #476 "Blest Be the Tie"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
*Congregation stands

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* Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum *
* Organist, Ruth J. Brown *
* Greeter, Ernestine Frost *
* Ushers, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, *
* Charles Brown, Steven Palmer *
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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 7:00 Deacons at the church
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage
WEDNESDAY 9:30-2:00 Sewing at the church -
bring sack lunch
SATURDAY 7:30 SEE ENGLAND! Talk with slides
of visit to England, Scotland
and Wales by Anne Linn and Beth
Trigg - Fellowship Hall - offer-
ing for hunger. All welcome!
NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 Morning Worship. Message: "The
Secret Apostle." Junior Church
for Kindergarten thru 3rd grade.

LOOKING AHEAD! - July 19, picnic after church at
Hi-Banks Park.

The Quarterly Business Meeting is set for after
church, July 12. There will not be a dinner.

We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship. We
follow the tradition of open communion and are glad
to welcome you to the service of Holy Communion. May
we have your name and address in the guest book in
the vestibule? And we invite you to worship with us
again soon!

If you continue in my word, then you are my
disciples; and you will know the truth, and the
truth will make you free.

John 8:32

**Be watchful,
stand firm
in your faith. . . .**
1 Corinthians 16:13



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO
JULY 12, 1981

James B. Stephenson
pastor

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The church where all good things are possible
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This is God's house.
May we who come here not only find out about God,
but find God.
May there be beauty in this place, but especially
may it be a place where men and women become
aware of the beauty in themselves.
May this be a place of worship. May it be a
place of instruction, may this be a place of
singing, may this be a place of prayer, may
this always be a place of inner stillness
where we may listen and hear when God speaks.
May this be such a house that Jesus Christ, or
any stranger, even one of the least, would
feel in it that He was with friends. Amen.
- James Dillet Freeman

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
INVITATION TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #423 "The Church's One Foundation"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
FELLOWSHIP TIME
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 2
DUET Donna Brown and Karen Stoner
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 7:36-8:3
MORNING PRAYERS
MESSAGE "The Secret Apostle"
*HYMN, #290 "I've Found a Friend"
*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE (see next page)
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown

BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Go in peace, go in love, find-
ing God in each other. Go in peace, go in love, in
Christ we're sister and brother. Led by His Spirit,
His strength each day, light for the way, together.
Go in peace, go in love, God be with you forever!

We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship
today. May you experience the presence of the liv-
Jesus! And may we have your name and address in the
guest book in the vestibule?

Our quarterly business meeting will be held after
worship. Please come to the front of the Sanctuary.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Pam Lathrop
TUESDAY Kenneth Brown
WEDNESDAY Lucille Via
THURSDAY Donna Brown
Donald Brown
SATURDAY Peter and Linda White
NXT SUNDAY Jarrod Trigg

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

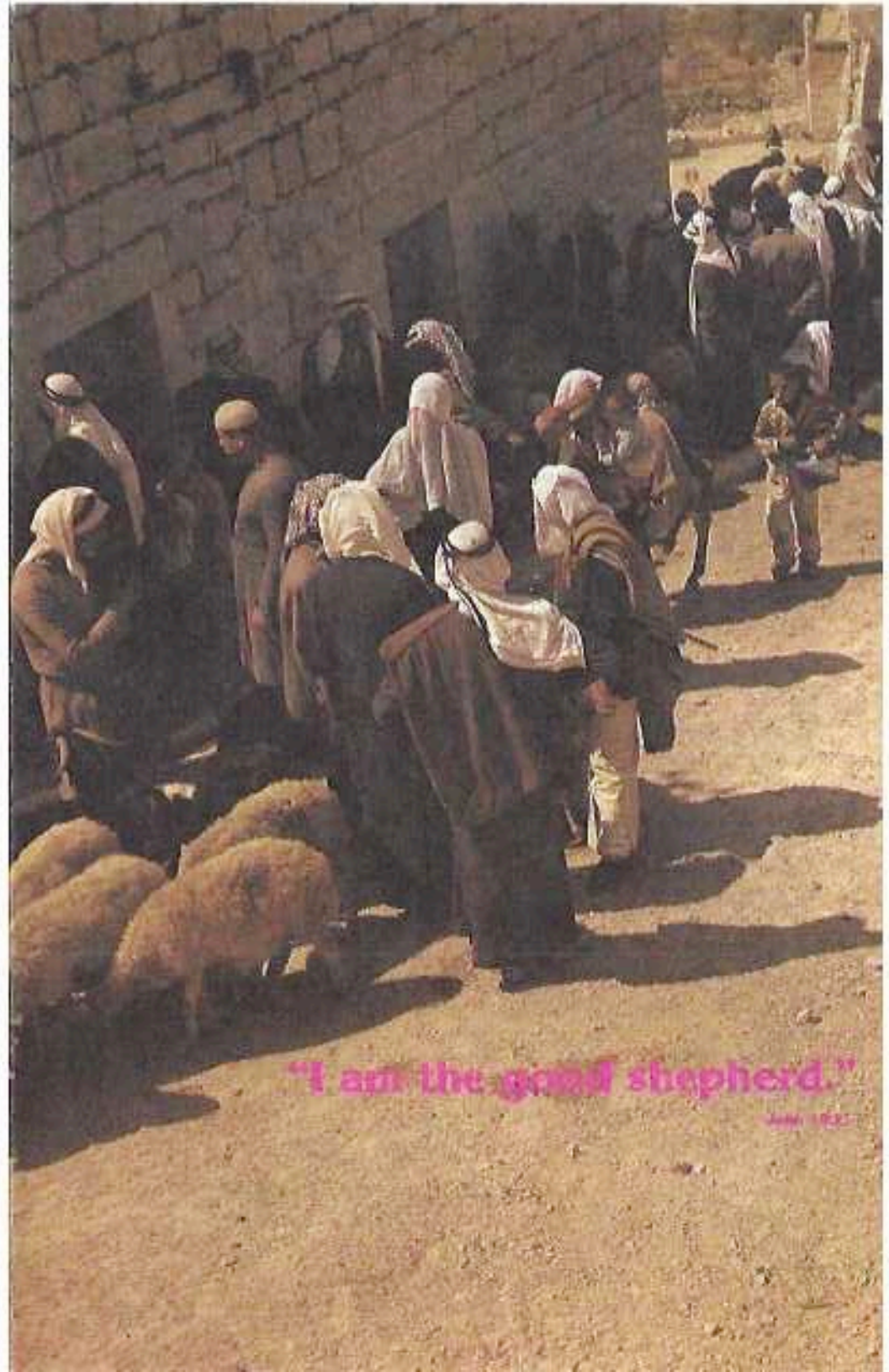
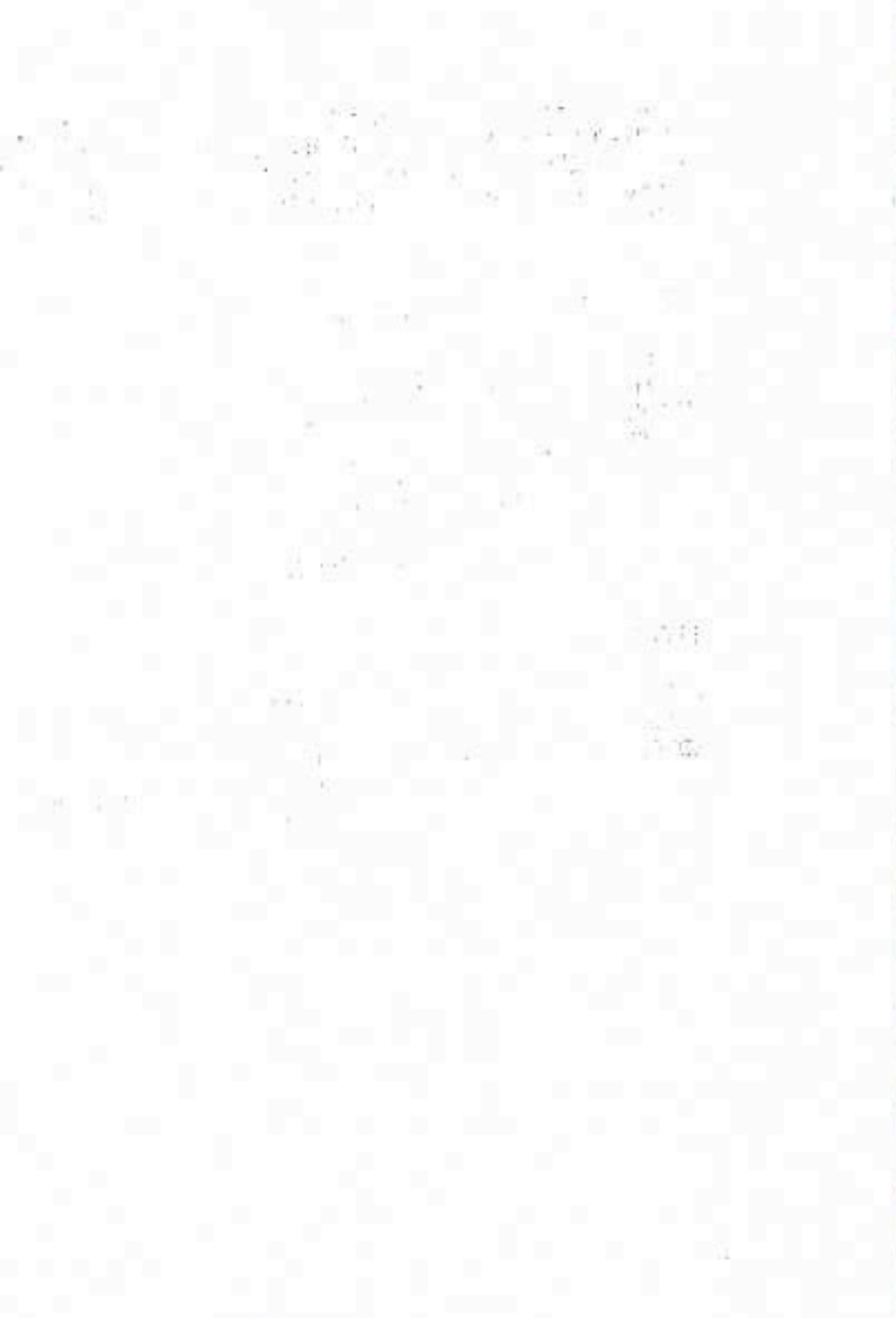
TODAY 11:00 Quarterly Business Meeting.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at VenBrimmers.
WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing at church -
bring sack lunch.
NXT SUNDAY 10:00 Worship. Junior Church (K - 3).
Message: "Trail to the Top!"
12:15 Picnic at Hi-Banks Park - south
on US23.

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If you continue in my word, then you are my
disciples; and you will know the Truth, and the
Truth will make you free. (John 8:32)

Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its
own mold, but let God remold your minds from within.
(Rom 12:2a, Phillips trans.)

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"I am the good shepherd."

John 10:11

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO
JULY 19, 1981

James B. Stephenson
pastor

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The church where all good things are possible
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Sometimes I think how little I know me.
I am the unexplored, for the most part;
I stand, as it were, on the edge of a wide sea,
And the sea I gaze upon is my own heart.

For I have other dimensions and am more
Than I have judged I was from surface seeing;
This face, this body - these are but the shore;
How far beyond them stretch my seas of being!
- James Dillet Freeman

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE "Prayer" by Ambrosia
*HYMN, 170 "The Lord Is My Shepherd"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
SOLO "Would You?" (Red) Janet Porter
SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:7-11
MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY "Meditation" by Larson
*HYMN, #294 "Rock of Ages"
SOLO "God Is My Source" (Grubbs) Fred Grubbs
MESSAGE "Trail to the Top"
*HYMN, 296 "Take My Life"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Marche" by Gounod
*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
Greeters, Jim and Bertha VanBrimmer
Ushers, Mike Grubbs, Bruce Lee, Steve Palmer, C. Brown

We are happy to welcome visitors to our service. May we have your name and address in the guest book in the vestibule? If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider becoming a part of our fellowship.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY	Jarrold Trigg
MONDAY	Dawn Whitacre
TUESDAY	Bertha McTaggart
THURSDAY	Alison Mowery
NEXT SUNDAY	Richard Lee
	Jeffrey Faulk
	Amy Stephenson
	John and Bertha McTaggart

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY	7:30 Parish Council
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group at parsonage
WEDNESDAY	9:30 - 2:00 Sewing at church
THURSDAY	7:30 Vacation Bible School teachers at the church

IDEAS TO TAKE HOME AND PRACTICE

Let the word of Christ dwell
in you richly in all wisdom...

Colossians 3:16, 17.



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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

101 North Franklin Street
Delaware, Ohio
August 16, 1981

James B. Stephenson
pastor

The church where all good things are possible.

Mary Frances Focke - guest speaker
Marjorie Smale - assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE "Hear My Prayer" Mendelssohn
*HYMN, #95 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS
OLD TESTAMENT READING, #20
SOLO by Beth Trigg "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You" Wilson
OFFERTORY "Andante" Wely
*DOXOLOGY
SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 25:31-45
MORNING PRAYERS
MESSAGE "Dimensions of Discipleship"
*HYMN, # 378 "God of Grace and God of Glory"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA (Choral Benediction)
POSTLUDE "Elevation" Battmann
(*congregation stands)

Choir Directors - Mary Lou Lovell, W.C. Wickum
Organist - Ruth J. Brown
Organist for Today - Betty Porter
Ushers - Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs, Steven Palmer, Charles Brown
Candlelighter for Today - Jennifer Porter

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

Our guest speaker today is Mary Frances Focke. Assisting her is Marjorie Smale. We are grateful that they are leading us in our morning worship.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

each day 7:00 - 9:00 Vacation Bible School.
See article below.
Saturday 10:30 - 12:30 Vacation Bible School picnic

Our church will hold its annual Vacation Bible School Monday, August 17 through Saturday, August 22. We will meet in the evenings from 7-9pm and close with a picnic on Saturday from 10:30 to 12:30. Classes are available for Nursery through Junior High. There will be a different speaker each night for adults.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

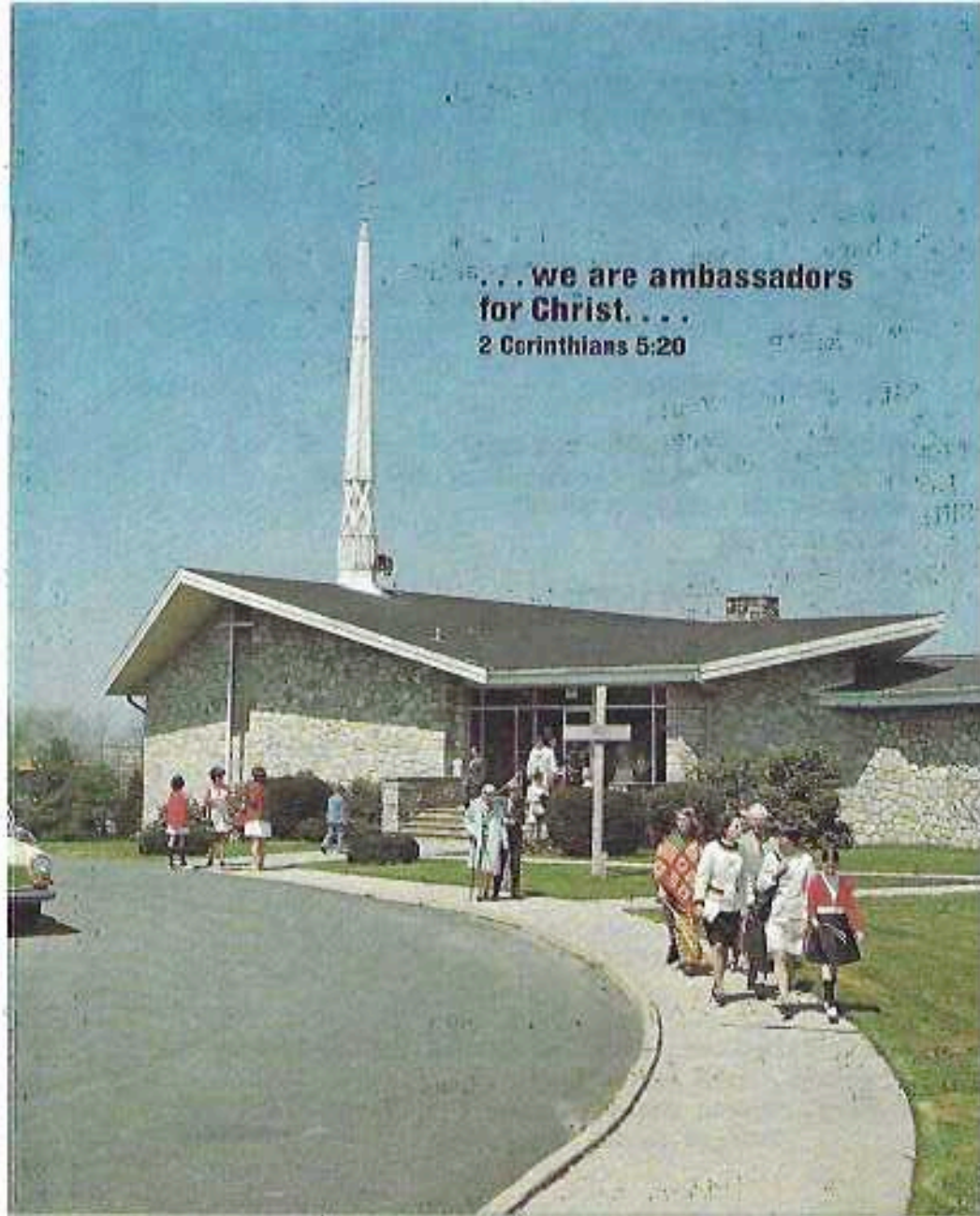
Monday Bessie Dunham
Tuesday Pam & Larry Faulk
Friday Jim Stephenson
Next Sunday Mildred Dowers
Evelyn & Richard Lee

Bessie Dunham, who will celebrate her 85th birthday on Monday, is currently in Grady Hospital, room 318. Your cards and visits would be appreciated.

The All-Ohio State Fair Band will be presenting a concert tonight, Sunday, August 16, 7pm, at the Columbus Park of Roses. Janet Porter is a member of this band for the next two weeks. She is playing B^b clarinet.

Notes

... we are ambassadors
for Christ...
2 Corinthians 5:20



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James B. Stephenson
pastor

August 23, 1981

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00AM

PRELUDE "St. Edith" Young
*HYMN, #157 "All Creatures of Our God"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 7:21-29
SOLO Jeanne Ekelberry "Feeding Four Thousand"
by Boeten

MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY "Have Thine Own Way" Stebbins
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "The School of Jesus"
*HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "The Crusaders" Stickles
*CONGREGATION STANDS

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Organist, Ruth Brown
Ushers, Steven Palmer, Bruce Lee, Michael Grubbs,
Charles Brown

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consider becoming a part of our fellowship. And may
we have your name and address in our guest book in
the vestibule?

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Mildred Bowers
Evelyn & Richard Lee
MONDAY Florence Faulk
THURSDAY Linda White
NEXT SUNDAY Archie Trigg
Carol & Fred Grubbs

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will be published next Sunday.
Please get your articles, etc. to Steve by no later
than Wednesday. No exceptions, no extensions!!!!!!

Our use of prayer prepares us to receive what has
already been given. Prayer is a disciplinary tech-
nique for creating receptivity to God and His supply
for our needs. (Starr Daily)

Prayer can never be answered unless there is a fit-
ting preparation for prayer and unless the terms of
prayer have been fulfilled. (Joel Goldsmith)

Prayer, to be answered prayer, must come from a heart
that is purged of personal and selfish motives, a
heart that has for its desire that all may know God's
grace. (Joel Goldsmith)

A special thank you goes out to all who worked so
hard to make our Daily Vacation Bible School such a
success. Thanks to all, with a special thank you to
Chairperson Beth Trigg!

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*Don't forget
Sept 20*

“I am
your God and
will take
care of
you....”

Isaiah 46:1 (TEV)



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God's power within you supports your highest dreams,
undergirds your being, sustains your life, opens doors,
lifts all burdens, dissolves all blocks, clears every
path, bursts all bonds - as you open up to it.

Mary L. Kupferle

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE "How Firm a Foundation" Broughton

*HYMN, #371 "Stand up for Jesus"

*INVOCATION and 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. Amen

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 14:22-36

SOLO W. C. Wickum "My God and I" by Whitel

MORNING PRAYERS

OFFERTORY "Chapel Echoes" Saxton

*RESPONSE "We Give Thee" #422, 1st stanza

MESSAGE "HOW TO WALK ON WATER"

*HYMN, #379 "Love Divine"

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

Go in peace, go in love, finding God in each other.

Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we are sister

and brother. Led by his spirit, his strength each

day, light for the way, together. Go in peace,

go in love, God be with you forever!

POSTLUDE "Marche" Stickler

* Congregation stands

Organist, Ruth J. Brown

Choir Directors, Mary Lou Lovell, W. C. Wickum

Ushers: Bruce Lee, Mike Grubbs, Steve Palmer, C. Brown

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Archie Trigg
Fred & Carol Grubbs
SATURDAY Don & Florence Faulk

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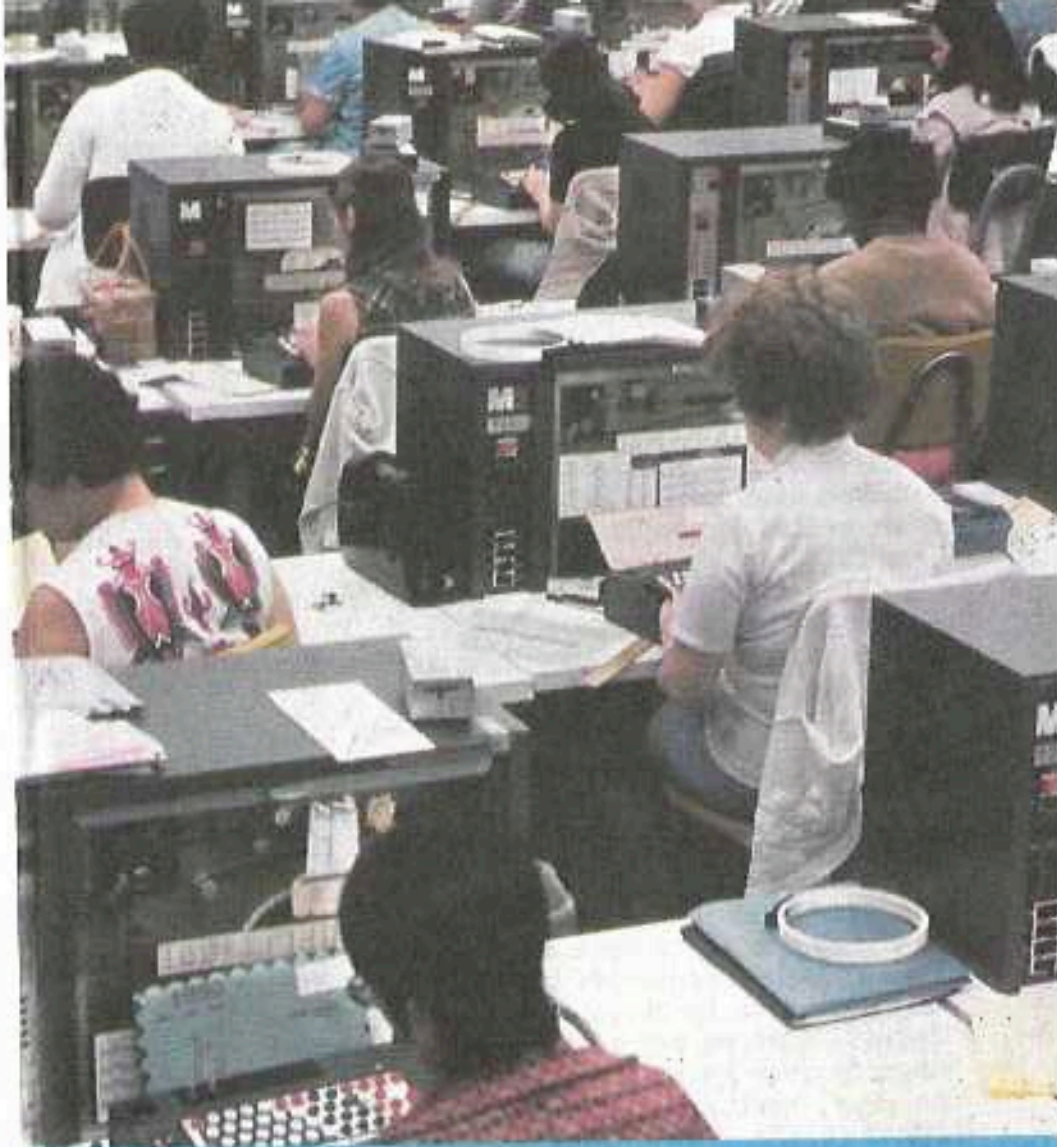
OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
SATURDAY 9:30 Teachers and alternates at church.
SUNDAY 8:15 Breakfast
9:30 Classes.
10:45 Morning Worship.

Please give good support to our current Church World
Service project. Read the article in the newsletter
and listen carefully to the words of Bertha VanBrim-
mer.

NOTES (so you will remember how to walk on water!):

Wade's 2nd time on day for ...
5 min ...
you help ...
man of other ...
when you ...
... with you ...
... with ...



Do your work . . . cheerfully, as though you served the Lord. . . .

Ephesians 6:7 (TEV)

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I met God in the morning when my day was at its best,
And his presence came like sunrise, like a glory in
my breast.
All day long the presence lingered, all day long he
stayed with me.
And we sailed in perfect calmness over many a
troubled sea.
So I think I know the secret learned from many a
troubled way,
You must seek him in the morning if you want him thru
the day.

Ralph S. Cushman

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Ruth J. Brown
*HYMN, #107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open and
from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts
of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily
magnify your holy Name; thru Jesus who taught us
to pray, saying,
*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
PRESENTATION OF BIBLES
INSTALLATION OF CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS
SPECIAL MUSIC
SCRIPTURE READING Mark 16:17-25
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "The Light within You"
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
*HYMN, #261 "Bread of Life"
HOLY COMMUNION
THANKSGIVING

*HYMN, #261 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Ruth J. Brown
* CONGREGATION STANDS

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Charles Brown

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
MONDAY Doug Lee
TUESDAY Lorrie Lathrop
NEXT SUN Jerry Palmer

OPPORTUNITIES
TODAY 7:00 Deacons at church.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Society with Della Dean.
NEXT SUN RETREAT AT JUDSON HILLS.
10:45 Worship at the church. John McTaggart, speaker.

Please note that the first meeting of the fall of
the Women's Society is set for Thursday. This in-
cludes the circle meeting. Please bring a generous
offering and love gift to make up for missed summer
meetings.

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As a ship's wake streams out behind and is lost,
becoming invisible, so you may also move with
Power and purpose into each new day. Let all the
past be only a brief wake behind you, merging
With all that is now done with. The moving ahead,
now, is excitement, joy.
The moving ahead with purpose, power, into each new
day - that is what living is all about.
Elizabeth Searle Lamb

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INSTALLATION OF CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS

PRESENTATION OF TEACHERS

Linda White

THE TEACHERS' COVENANT

I hereby pledge myself, God being my helper, to strive to make real the purposes of the Church School in the following ways: to foster in growing persons a consciousness of God as a reality in human experience; to develop such as understanding and appreciation of the personality, life and teachings of Jesus as will lead to the experience of him as Savior and Lord; to develop the ability and disposition to participation in the building of a Christian social order throughout the world which embodies the ideal of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of all peoples; to develop the ability and disposition to participate in the church; to develop an appreciation of the meaning and importance of the Christian family; to effect the assimilation of the best religious experience of mankind, pre-eminently that recorded in the Bible; to continue in study and preparation for my task; to attend the meetings of my church and church school; to be punctual, trustworthy, and dependable; and to manifest a spirit of cooperation at all times.

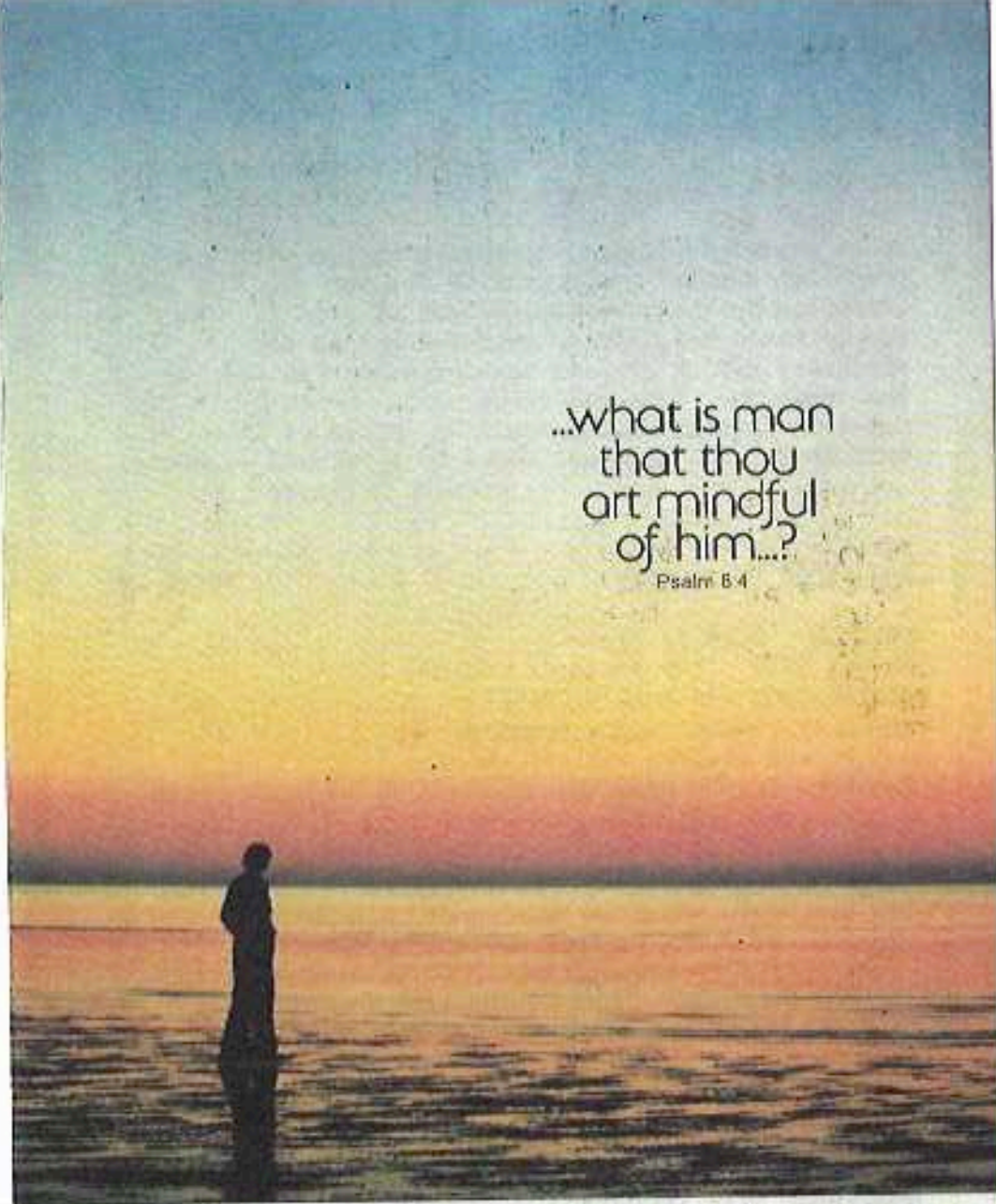
THE WORKERS' PRAYER

Eternal and everliving Father, who calls us to your service, you have promised us grace and strength for the fulfilling of your will; look with favor upon us, as we dedicate ourselves to the task of working in this church school. Grant that we may grow in the knowledge and love of your word, that we may minister to the growing life of your church, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ACT OF INSTALLATION

Minister

...what is man
that thou
art mindful
of him...?
Psalm 8:4



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It is perfectly logical to assume that a wise and competent creator would provide for the needs of His creatures in their various stages of growth. The supply would be given as required and as the necessary effort for its appropriation was made by the creature. Temporal needs would be met by temporal things, mental needs by things of like character, and spiritual needs by spiritual elements.

- Charles Fillmore

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 AM

PRELUDE Ruth J. Brown
*HYMN, #171 "My Father's World"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*SONG OF PRAISE tune, Doxology
O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Light and Love that makes us free,
In joy we sing our praise to thee. Amen.
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
SPECIAL MUSIC "Search Me, O God" Anthem
"I Am Your Servant" Solo
(Janet Porter)
SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 12:22-31
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE No. 422 (1st stanza)
MESSAGE "What the Forest Remembers"
MEDITATION and PRAYERS
*HYMN, #165 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
*BENEDICTION "alleluia"
POSTLUDE Ruth J. Brown
*Congregation stands

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WE WELCOME visitors to our worship. If you do not have a church home in Delaware we invite you to consider becoming a part of our fellowship.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

(Last week) SUNDAY Jerry Palmer
MONDAY John & Mary Ann Ballengee
TUESDAY James & Bertha VanBrimmer
Wick & Jean Wickum
Janet Porter
(This week) SATURDAY Steve Palmer

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY	2 - 4	Open House in the Fellowship Hall in honor of Barney and Mary Barkeloo's Golden Wedding Anniversary.
	7:00	Youth Fellowship.
TUESDAY	6:30	Delaware Business and Professional Women's Club in Fellowship Hall.
	7:30	Healing Group at the parsonage.
THURSDAY	9:30	(A.M.) Retreat for the Women of Marion Assoc. at Prospect. Bring a salad or dessert and Bible. Nursery.
SATURDAY	9:30	(A.M.) Youth Reunion at Mohican State Park.
	7:30	Glynda Rice of Community Outreach in Columbus will speak and show slides. Traveled as basketball player with Sports Ambassadors.
NEXT SUNDAY		Our youth will share in the worship and inspire us with their summer camp experience.
	2:30	Marion Assoc. at Marion Trinity. Dinner -

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Marjorie V. Smale, assisting

OCTOBER 4, 1981

Someday after mastering the winds, the waves, the
tides, and gravity, we shall harness for God the
energies of Love. And then for the second time in
the history of the world man will have discovered
fire. Teilhard de Chardin

Until we can be led by the spirit of Love, we are
driven by fears. Stella Terrill Mann

To love is to approach each other center to center.
Anon.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
INVITATION TO COMMUNION
*HYMN, #151 "Here at Thy Table, Lord"
*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 Thy Holy Spirit, that
we may perfectly love Thee and worthily mag-
nify Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ who
taught us to pray, saying,

*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
PARDON AND CLEANSING
THE SCRIPTURE READING John 6:35-40
SCLO W. C. Wickum
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "His Names"

For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given;
and the government will be upon his shoulder,
and his name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6

LITANY OF DEDICATION
WORLD FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
*HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am"
HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #176 "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
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Grubbs, Steven Palmer

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

MONDAY Willard & Carol Fogle
WEDNESDAY Anna Brown
James B. Stephenson
FRIDAY Suzanne Grubbs

OPPORTUNITIES

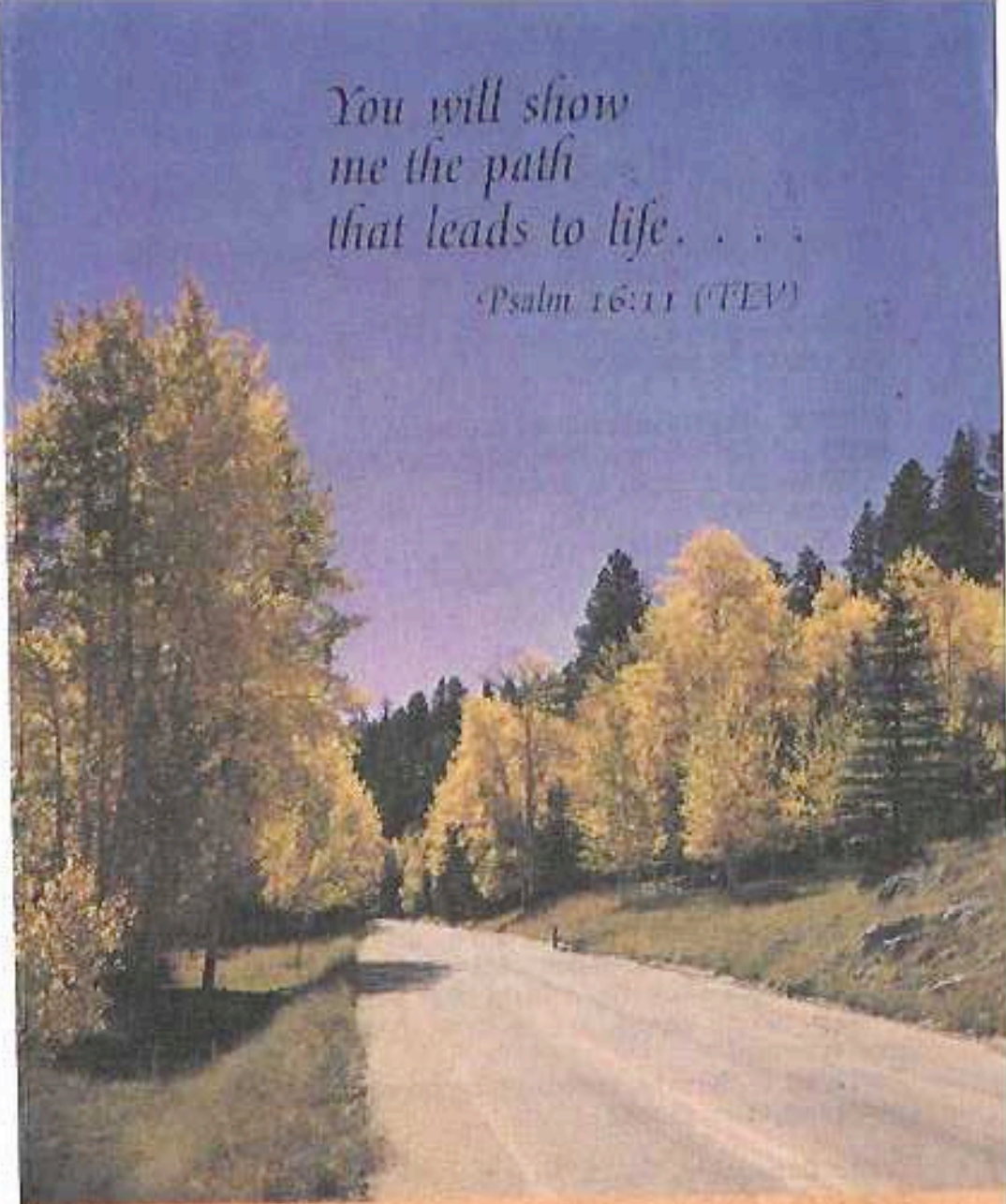
TODAY 7:00 Deacons
7:00 Youth Fellowship
MONDAY 7:00 Board of Ch. Ed.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Mission Soc.
with Beth Trigg,
59 E. Fountain.
Alison Mowery will
speak on "Disabled
Persons."
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School for all
10:45 Worship. First mes-
sage in series on
"The Millionaires of
Genesis." (See story
in newsletter)

DATES TO REMEMBER: Oct. 25 - Dedication of windows
and Sanctuary

Oct. 26 - Quarterly Business Mt.
and dinner (6:30pm)

*You will show
me the path
that leads to life. . . .*

(Psalm 16:11 (TEV))



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OCTOBER 11, 1981

Please be quiet in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting
near you needs to pray.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 A. M.

PRELUDE "Intermezzo" by Mascagni
*HYMN, #122 "Come Thou Almighty King"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER"
*GLORIA PATRI
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 1
SPECIAL MUSIC
BLESSING OF CHILDREN
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
OFFERTORY "Berceuse" by Godard
*RESPONSE The Doxology
MESSAGE "The Millionaires of Genesis"
PRAYERS
*HYMN, #116 "Lord We Come before Thee"
*BENEDICTION
*RESPONSE
Go in peace, go in love, finding God in each
other. Go in peace, go in love, in Christ
we're sister and brother. Led by His Spirit,
His strength each day, light for the way, to-
gether. Go in peace, go in love, God be with
you forever!
POSTLUDE "Marche Romaine" by Gounod
*Congregation stands

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Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
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Grubbs, Steven Palmer

We welcome visitors to our worship. May we have
your name and address in the guest book in the
vestibule. And we invite you to visit us again.

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 3-5 Youth Fellowship.
MONDAY 7:00 Finance Committee at church.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at VanBrimmers.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

HIRE A KID---The BYF wants leaf-raking jobs and are
reserving the dates of October 16 and 17. Call
Janet Porter, 363-7892, or any other BYF member for
further information. If your leaves fall later the
BYF will try to be available when you need them.
Proceeds will go to local and state BYF projects.

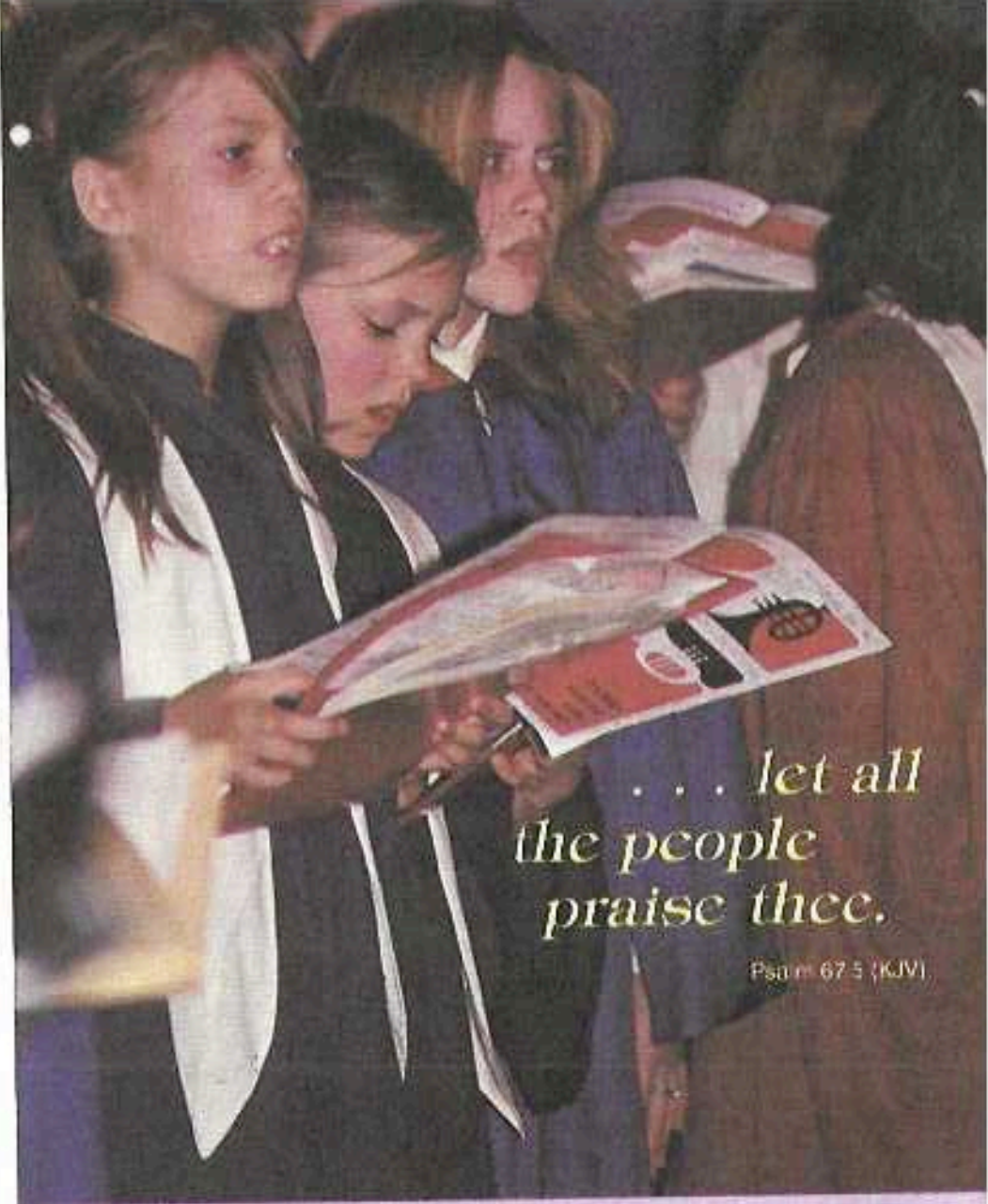
Della Nofsinger and John Love invite you as their
church family to join them in celebrating the taking
of their marriage vows Sunday, October 18, at 12
noon, in the Sanctuary. A reception for all will
follow in the Fellowship Hall.

ANNIVERSARY NEXT SUNDAY Gene & Janet Lathrop

Last week's World Fellowship Offering was approxi-
mately \$150. Thanks to all who shared in this act
of Christian Love. Contributions are still being
received.

TODAY is the beginning of a series of messages on THE
MILLIONAIRES OF GENESIS. We will learn the secrets
of receiving the abundance of good things - material
as well as spiritual - which have been promised us by
the Master. Next week all attending will receive
free study material for the series. Attend and bring
a friend! REMEMBER: -

To dwell upon poverty is to create it.
To dwell upon abundance is to attract it,
If you give poorly, you remain poor.
You grow in abundance according to the pattern of
your thoughts.
You can remake your thoughts.



*... let all
the people
praise thee.*

Psa m 67:5 (KJV)



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- THE CHURCH WHERE ALL GOOD THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!

James B. Stephenson, pastor
October 18, 1981

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Please be quiet in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting
near you needs to pray.
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(please read before worship begins)

The autumn has a golden look;
Winter will follow by and by,
Now sunlight like a golden shock
Of sheaves stands ripening in the sky.
And golden leaves in golden trees
Hang heavy as the golden hours;
In fields of gold the golden bees
Sip golden liquors from gold flowers.
Some Midas has come down my street
This golden day, a golden God
Gilding the world, and all I meet
Is golden-crowned and golden-shod.
Lord, let me keep the gold-leaf look
That autumn has, for me to hold
And gently cherish in the book
That is my mind in thoughts of gold!
- James Dillet Freeman

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45 am

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
*HYMN, 94 "O Worship the King"
*INVOCATION
*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
OLD TESTAMENT READING Joshua 1:5-9
ANTHEM "Holy Art Thou" by Handel
MORNING PRAYERS
BLESSING OF CHILDREN
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "The Millionaires of Genesis -
Abraham"
*HYMN, #252 "All Hail the Power"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
*Congregation stands

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Greeters, John and Mary Ann Balangee
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Grubbs, Steven Palmer

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BIRTHDAY
TUESDAY James Brown

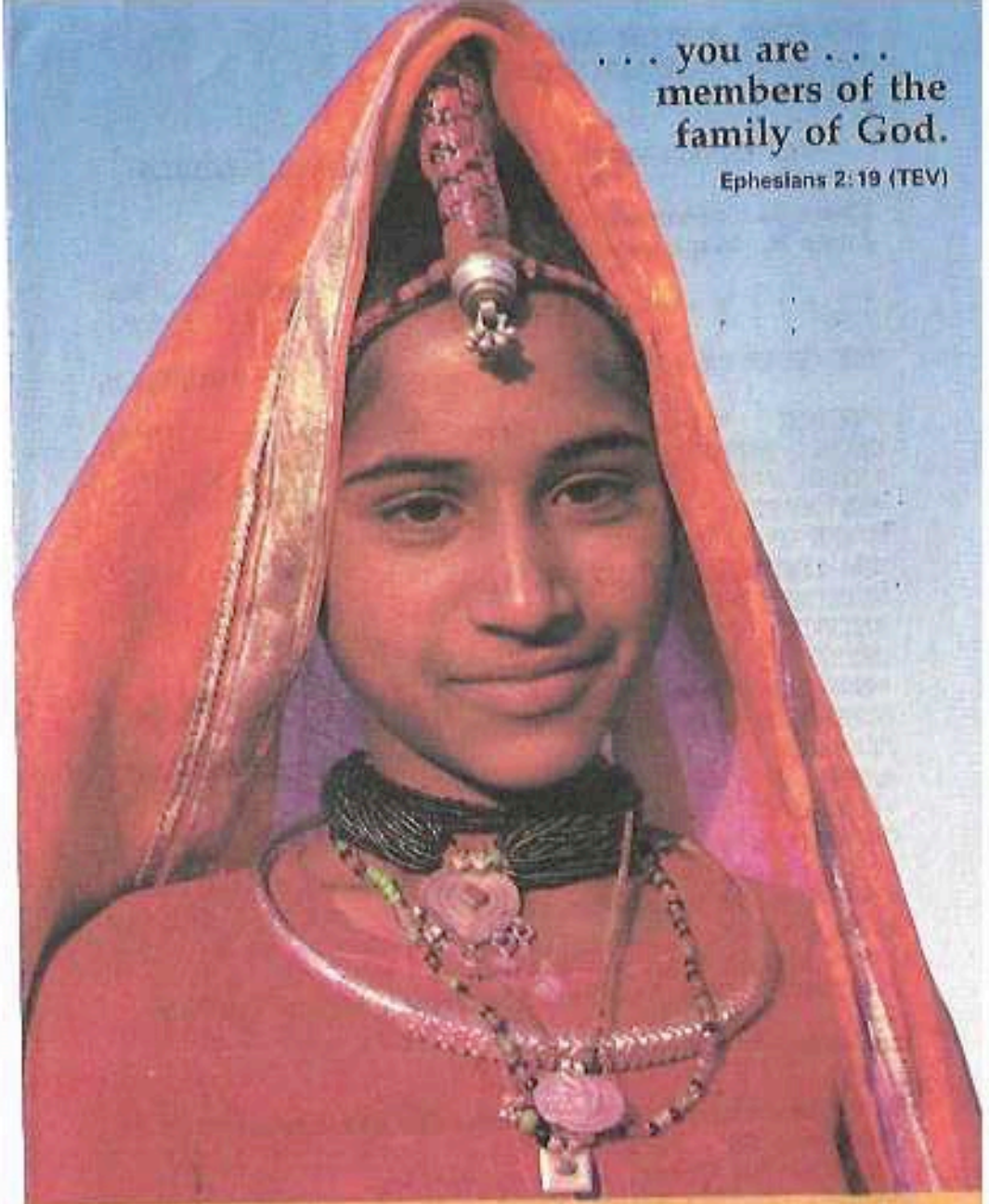
OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 7:00 Youth.
MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council.
8:15 Finance Committee.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
SATURDAY 7:00 Halloween in Youth Room for all.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Rededication of windows and
Sanctuary
11:45 Coffee hour in Assembly Room.

Della Nofsinger and John Dove invite you to remain
after worship to share their happiness as they are
married in our Sanctuary. You are also invited to
attend their reception immediately following in the
Fellowship Hall.

Next week's MESSAGE will be a continuation of the
theme THE MILLIONAIRES OF GENESIS. Plan to attend
and bring a friend.

... you are ...
members of the
family of God.
Ephesians 2:19 (TEV)



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James B. Stephenson, pastor
James M. Stephenson, assisting

November 8, 1981

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.

PRELUDE "Stand up for Jesus" by Clark
CHORAL INTROIT
*HYMN, #271 "Send Down Thy Truth, O God"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
NEW TESTAMENT READING No. 17
MORNING PRAYERS
BLESSING OF CHILDREN
OFFERTORY "Medley of Hymns"
*RESPONSE The Doxology
SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 37:2-20
MESSAGE "Dreams and Destiny"
*HYMN, #165 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE
Go in peace, go in love, finding God in each other.
Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we're sister and
brother. Led by His Spirit, His strength each day,
light for the way, together! Go in peace, go in
love, God be with you forever!
POSTLUDE "May the Good Lord Bless & Keep You" by
Wilson
*CONGREGATION STANDS

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this hour bring you into an experience of the
presence of God. We invite you to put your name and
address in the guest book in the vestibule. And we
cordially invite you to worship here again soon.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 7:00 Board of Education.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Mission Society with
Carolyn Schneeberger. Mrs.
Meneely, Sunbury, speaker.
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Morning Worship. Continuation
of "Millionaires of Genesis."
Read Genesis 28:10-22.

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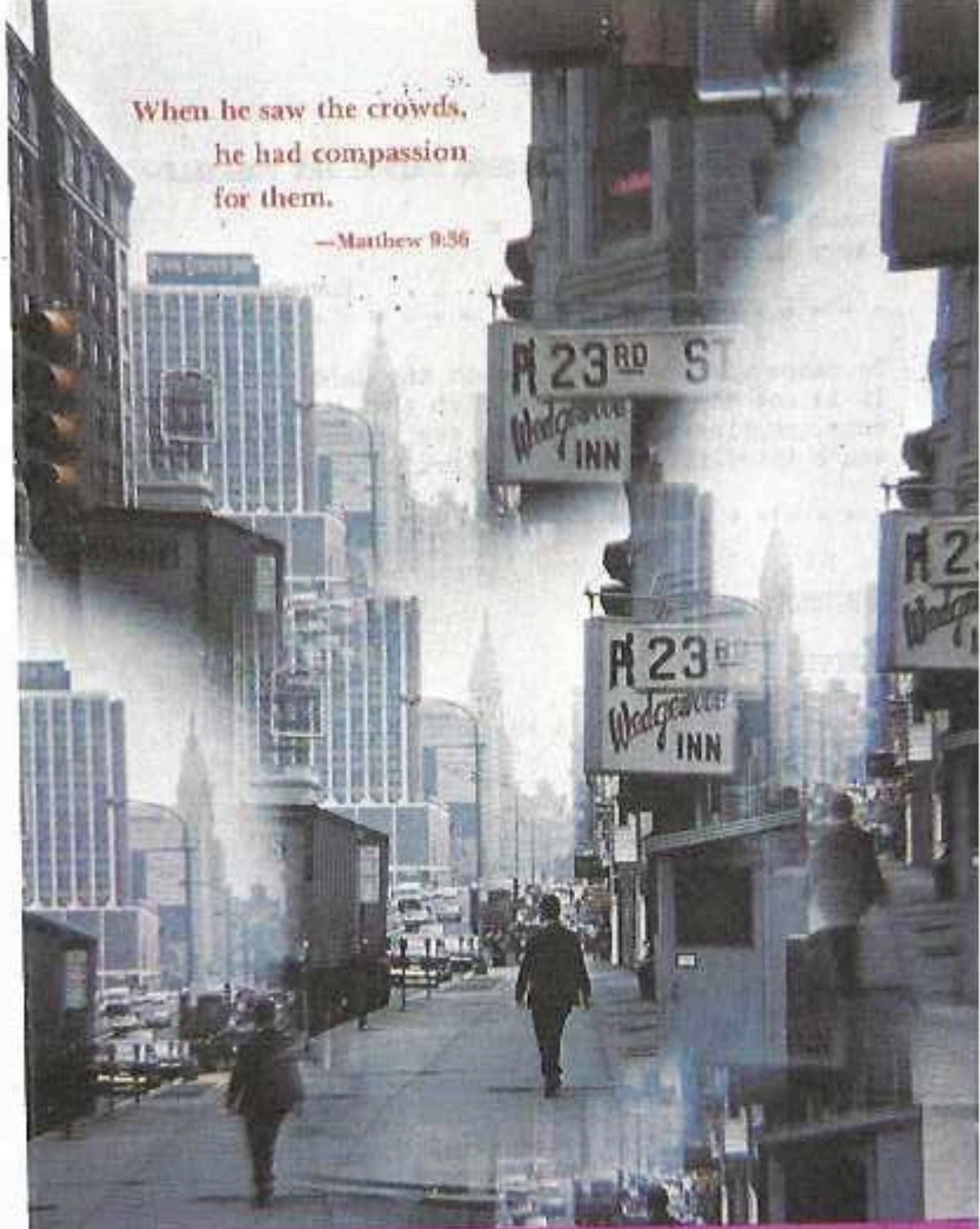
MONDAY Gene Lathrop
FRIDAY Polly Focke
NXT SUNDAY Frances Johnson
Teresa Grubbs
Jim & Ann Brown

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Take a
copy home to an absent friend or relative, or some-
one who might be interested in visiting our church.

THOUGHTS TO TAKE HOME

When he saw the crowds,
he had compassion
for them.

—Matthew 9:36



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James B. Stephenson, pastor
Jerry L. Palmer, assisting

November 15, 1981

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To cease wishing is to inhabit the land of the dead.
It is not the will but the wish that moves us. Ill-
ness, emptiness, and despair are caused by a per-
son's inability to wish. (Dr. Rollo May)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
CHORAL INTROIT
*HYMN, #94 "O Worship the King"
*INVOCATION
*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
A NEW TESTAMENT READING No. 42
ANTHEM "Do What He Wants You to Do"
by Martin
MORNING PRAYERS
BLESSING OF CHILDREN
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE Doxology
MESSAGE "Your Ladder to Success" (Genesis 28:
10-22)
*HYMN, #281 "Jesus Calls Us"
*BENEDICTION
*RESPONSE "Alleluia"
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
*Congregation stands

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Charles Ekelberry

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day. May we have your name and address in our guest
book in the vestibule? If you do not have a church
home in Delaware, we invite you to consider becoming
a part of our fellowship. The purpose of the church
as stated in our constitution "is the study and prac-
tice 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."

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU

- TODAY 2:30 Marion Assoc. youth officers and
representatives.
- MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council and Finance Com-
mittee.
- TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
- WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
- THURSDAY 7:00 Visitation sponsored by Deacons.
Meet at the church. Everyone in-
vited.

The annual COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE will be
held next Sunday night, 7:30 P.M., at the William
Street United Methodist Church.

Our Sunday Messages are a part of a series "The Mil-
lion acres of Genesis." It will conclude next Sun-
day with the title "The Art and Science of Giving and
Receiving." Read Luke 6:32-38 and the 23rd Psalm.
Material on the subject is available on the table in
the vestibule.

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

- Edwin Markham

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ADVENT ACTIVITIES

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- Nov. 28 Preparation of the church for the Christmas season.
- Nov. 29 First Sunday in Advent. Theme: I LOVE YOU.
(1) Distribution of: (a) Advent calendars,
(b) Advent emblems
(2) Advent Partner sign-ups.
- Dec. 3 Message Response Group at the McTaggarts,
149 Grandview Avenue, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 6 Second Sunday in Advent. Theme: I ACCEPT YOU.
Christmas Good News Letter.
Continued Advent Partner sign-ups.
- Dec. 8 Message Response Group at the Whites,
23 Woodland Avenue, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 13 Third Sunday in Advent. Theme: I NEED YOU.
Continued Advent Partner sign-ups.
- Dec. 17 Message Response Group at the Elfners,
29 Darlington Road, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 20 Fourth Sunday in Advent. Theme: I AM WITH YOU.
Birthday Party for Jesus after the church
service in the Sunday School Assembly Room.
- Dec. 21- Live Nativity scene on church lawn.
23 7:00-8:00 or (8:30) p.m.
- Dec. 22 Final message response group at the Palmers,
654 Governor Place, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service. A candlelight
communion service, 7:30 p.m.



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

3rd Sunday in Advent
December 13, 1981

James B. Stephenson, minister
Janet Inscho, assisting

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Here is the truth in a little
creed,
Enough for all the roads we go;
In Love is all the Law we need,
In Christ is all the God we know.
(Edwin Markham)



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE Ruth Brown
INVITATION TO WORSHIP
CHORAL INTROIT
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
*HYMN, #187 "Angels We Have Heard on High"
*INVOCATION unison
Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might
come and deliver us; and, because we are hindered
by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy
speedily help and make us whole. Through Jesus
Christ who taught us to pray, saying,
*LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:26-38
ANTHEMS "Mary Had a Baby," (Landon)
"Sing Glory Hallelujah" (Long)
MORNING PRAYER and BLESSING OF CHILDREN
ANNOUNCEMENTS
BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*HYMN, #198 "There's a Song in the Air"
SOLO "Ave Maria" (Schubert) W. C. Wickum
MESSAGE "I Need You"
*HYMN, #192 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Ruth Brown
*Congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTORS, W. C. Wickum, Jim Stephenson
ORGANIST, Ruth J. Brown
GREETERS, Mike and Beth Linn
LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH, Tim Fogle
USHERS, Charles Ekelberry, Tim Fogle, Michael
Grubbs, Steven Palmer

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We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship. May
we have your name and address in the guest book in
the vestibule? And we invite you to worship with us
again.

BIRTHDAYS TODAY Geneva Evans
Ruth Brown
FRIDAY Cap Gabriel

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council & Nominating Com.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY 7:30 Message Response Group with the
Elfners, 29 Darlington.
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Worship. Theme: I AM WITH YOU.
Birthday Party for Baby Jesus in
Assembly Room after worship.

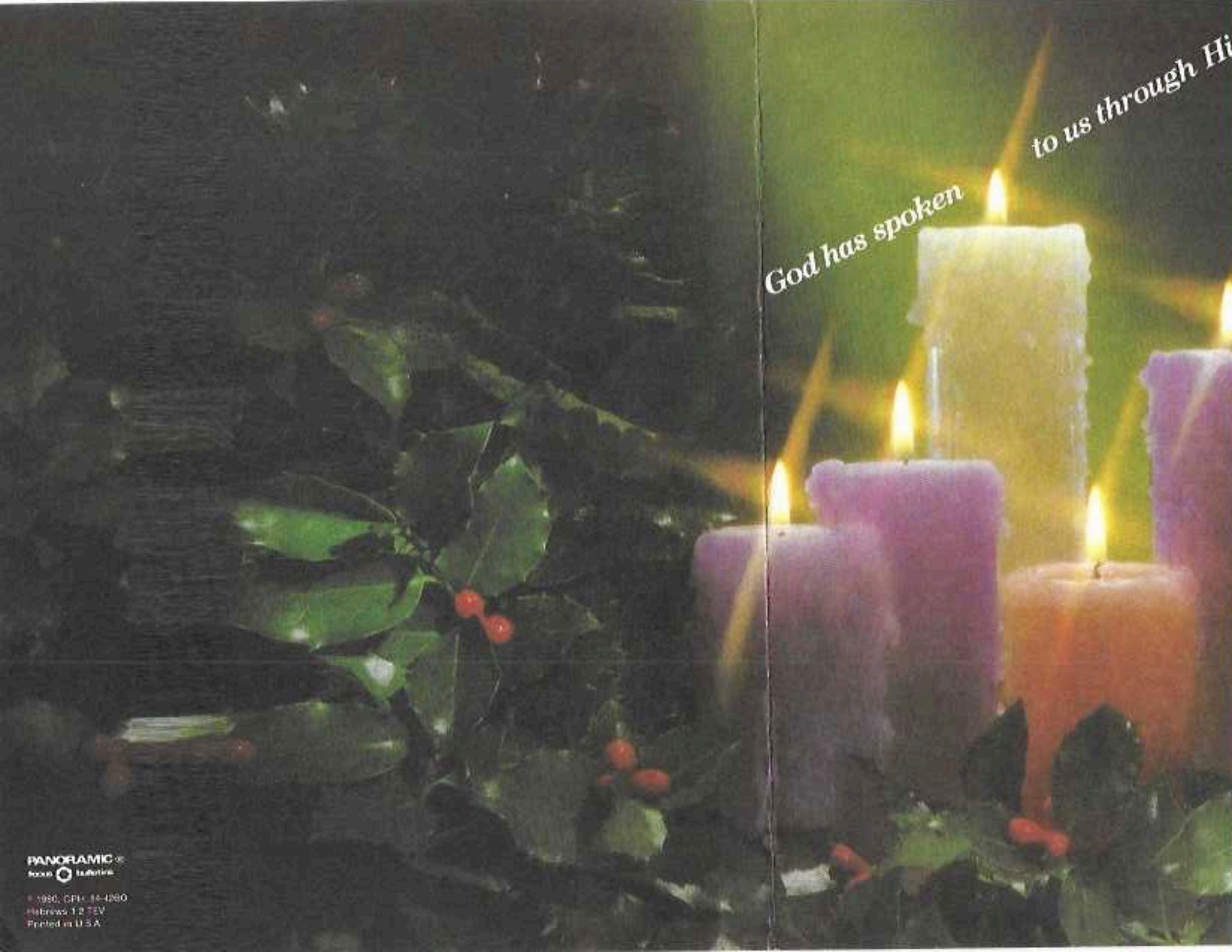
Final Advent breakfast at Holiday Inn, 7:30, Tuesday.

Noon Worship Friday at the William Street United
Methodist Church. Bertha McTaggart, leader.

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Mary, when that little child
lay upon your heart at rest,
Did the thorns, Maid-mother mild,
Pierch your breast?
Mary, when that little child
Cooed and prattled at your knee,
Did you see with heartbeat wild,
Calvary?

(Rose Trumbull)



God has spoken

to us through His Son

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101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, O. CO

Christmas Eve
December 24, 1981

James B. Stephenson, minister
Marjorie Smale, assisting

May this service of Carols and Candles bring Light
into your life . . . Christ came to touch you with
Divine Fire so that you might be Light to the world.

The little birds praise you,
The wren and the sparrow,
The rabbits and squirrels
That run in the snow.
This house may be small
And this cradle be narrow,
You learned to be humble
A long time ago.

O little Lord Jesus
Your moment is breaking.
The angels in heaven
Have polished your star.
Alone on their hillsides
The shepherds are waking
The wise shall grow simple
And find where you are.
- Eleanor Slater

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 7:30 P. M.

PRELUDE "Noel" (Ackenshusen)
CHORAL INTRODUCTION "Sing Hallelujah"
WELCOME
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
*HYMN, #100 "Joy to the World"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 50
*HYMN, #108 "There's a Song in the Air"
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 2:1-20
ANTHEM "Lullaby" (Hughes)
MESSAGE "The Light in the Forest"
*HYMN, #104 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #108 "Silent Night"

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
PRAYERS
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "On this Glad Day" (Nordman)

*Congregation stands

We are glad you decided to spend your Christmas
with us. May you experience the reality of the
living Christ!

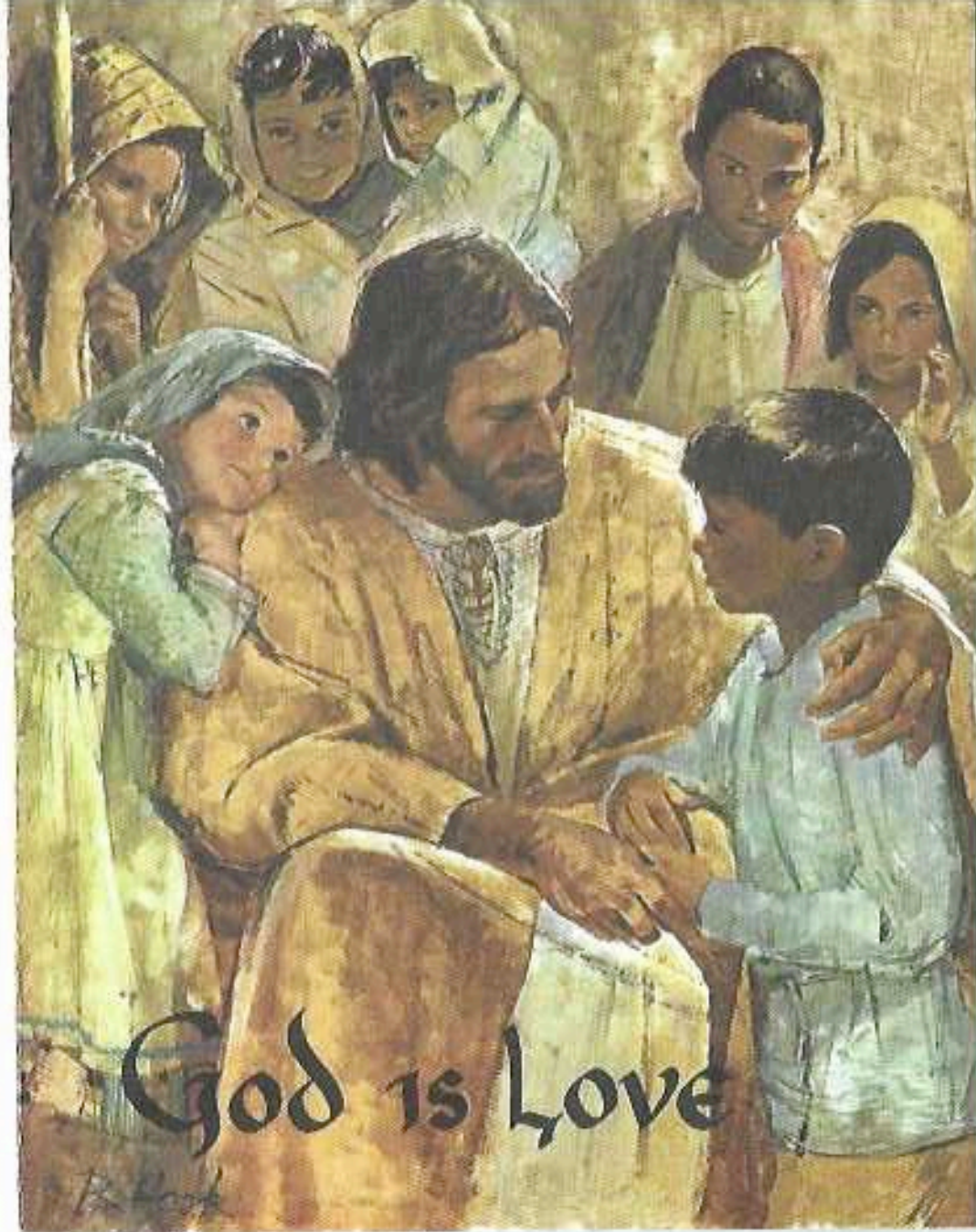
Should Christ be born a thousand times anew,
Despair O man, unless he's born in you.
Could but thy soul, O man, become a silent night
Christ would be born in thee and set all things
aright! (Angelus Silesius)

A star, the sky
A universe beyond my eye.
Timeless night
And yet a Dawning waits.

The Dawning bids me come
To see his promise
Yet to more than see,
He bids me come, and be.
- James VanBrimmer

Choir Directors, Jim Stephenson, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Prown
Lighting the Advent Wreath, the Lovell family
Distributing the Light, Michael Grubbs, Steven
Palmer

And God said, "Let there be light!" And God saw
that the light was good! The people who walked
in darkness have seen a great light; those who
dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has
light shined. In him was life, and the life was
the light of men. The light shines in the dark-
ness.



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET
DELAWARE, OHIO

December 27, 1981

James B. Stephenson, minister

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

- St. Gregory (951-1011)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 A. M.

PRELUDE "Gesu Bambino" (Yon)
CHORAL INTROIT "Sing Hallelujah"
*HYMN, #205 "O Come All Ye Faithful"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 51
ANTHEM "Come, O Come" (Highes)
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 2:21-24; Mark 10:13-16
DEDICATION OF JONATHAN DOUGLAS STEPHENSON
PRAYERS
SOLO "Charity" by Janet Porter (Gulliksen)
OFFERTORY "In Excelsis Deo" (Ellis)
*HYMN, #199 "Away in a Manger"
MESSAGE "Christmas Is for Children"
*HYMN, #190 "Joy to the World"
*BENEDICTION
*ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Jubilate" (Sheppard)
*Congregation stands

We welcome visitors to our worship today. May we
have your name and address in our guest book in the
vestibule. And we invite you to worship here again!

Choir Directors, Jim Stephenson, V. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter
Ushers, Charles Ekelberry, Michael Grubs, Tim Fogle,
Steven Palmer

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Today we dedicate Jonathan Douglas Stephenson to God.
Jonathan was born April 2 and is the son of Rev. and
Mrs. Ted Douglas Stephenson of Indianapolis. Ted is
minister of the Church of the Master.

OPPORTUNITIES

- TODAY 7:00 All night Lock-in for the youth of
the Marion Association at our
church. Concludes Monday at 7:00A.M.
- TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.
- WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
- NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Holy Communion.

We all join in thanking those who have worked to make
our Advent and Christmas a time of celebration and
spiritual growth.

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Whatever else be lost among the years,
Let us keep Christmas still a shining thing;
Whatever doubts assail us, or what fears,
Let us hold close one day, remembering
Its poignant meaning for the hearts of men.
Let us get back our childlike faith again.
- Grace Noll Crowell

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!
Here is a pathway to deeper prayer.
Here is a new year to love and share!

- Justine H. Huntley