

First Baptist Church Bulletins and Order of Worship 1995

Missing Several

Green Lake Sunday

The Place for Renewal" is the 1995 program theme for the American Baptist Assembly. Our Scripture text is Romans 12:2: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds."

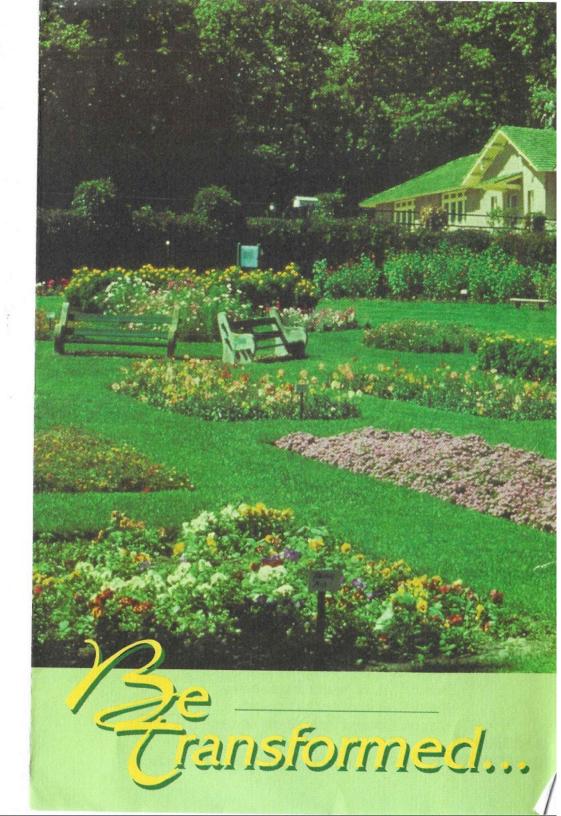
Transformation and renewal are persistent, powerful realities at the Green Lake Conference Center. Many people testify every year to the profound moving of the Spirit in their hearts and minds at the American Baptist Assembly (ABA).

Last evening following the World Mission Conference service for the commissioning of missionaries, I gathered with the large Indiana delegation in Rauschenbusch Hall for a time of refreshments and fellowship. Among those present were Wilbur and Sheila Stone, who had just completed their first term of missionary service in Hong Kong.

I was moved to hear of their very significant work in that great city. I was thrilled, also, to hear of their truly transforming experience in Spurgeon Chapel at ABA. There in prayer in 1989 Wilbur and Sheila had felt the call of God to missionary service and a profound peace that has never left them. From pastoral ministries in rural southern Indiana and Illinois, Wilbur and Sheila were called, energized, and moved by God to ministries in the huge, teeming city of Hong Kong. As they say, that in itself is a miracle.

Transformation! Renewal! By the wonderful grace of our Lord, they happen again and again at the American Baptist Assembly. Thanks be to God!

Ron Newsom Vice President of Development American Baptist Assembly



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor

January 29, 1995

"4th Sunday After Epiphany"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "Great Peace, We Pray, In Mercy, Lord" Schultz PRAYER OF MEDITATION

We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people in the world. We are ready, God, to hear your word; speak to us, God, and give us courage to do your will. With all our doubts and fears and shortcomings, we have decided to follow Jesus in our time and place. Guide us by your loving Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INTROIT CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #466

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #576

SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 1:4-10, page 647

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Sarabande"

Handel

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God, above ye heavenly host. Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (Followed by Jr. Church for grades K-6)

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #338

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

MORNING PRAYERS

THE GOSPEL LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, page 1000 MORNING MESSAGE "The Art of Loving"

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #374

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

SERVICE OF MEMBERSHIP

*BENEDICTION

*ALLELUIA

*POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune in F"

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(*congregation stands)

MINISTERING TODAY

Pastor: The Rev. Jody Lynn Brummett

Lay Leader: Deacon Jim Van Brimmer

Organist: Mary Lou Lovell Choir Director: Jim Stephenson Junior Church: Donna Reed

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 5:45 Youth Choir

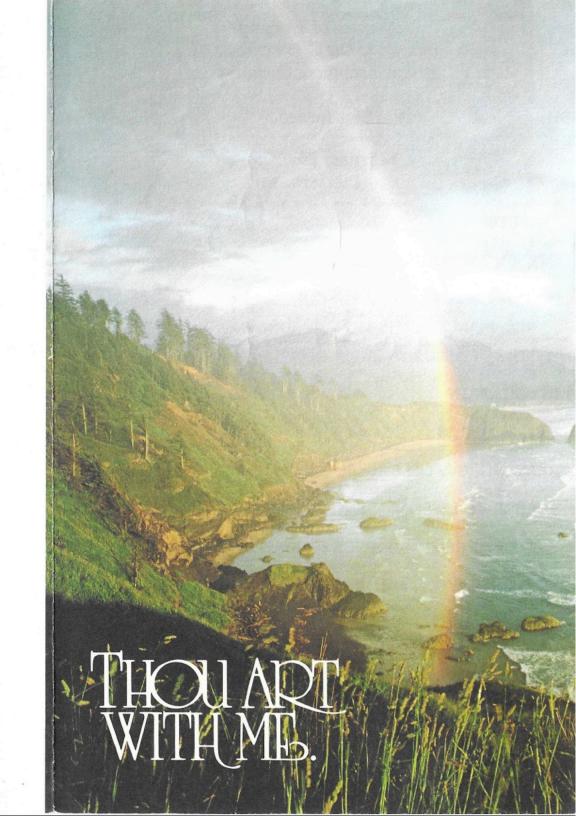
> 6:30 A.B.Y.

MONDAY 7:00 **Boy Scouts**

WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir

The deadline for the February Good News Letter is

Monday, January 30. Please get your articles to Jim Stephenson or leave them in the newsletter mailbox.



A Service of Worship offered to the Glory of God in Celebration of the life of

Ben Turney

February 25, 1995 1:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

OPENING MOMENTS

*OPENING HYMN, #1

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

INVOCATION

PSALM 23, #598 (In Unison)

READING "To a Life Beyond"

by Norman Vincent Peale

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15, p. 575

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE & REFLECTION

*CLOSING HYMN,#32

"How Great Thou Art"

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

PRAYER OF HOPE

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

(*congregation stands)

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Officiating Pastors:

The Rev. Jody-Lynn Brummett

The Rev. Harper McAdoo Turney

Organist:

Ernestine Peebles

Pall Bearers:

John Barkeloo Michael Heinlen Robert Heinlen Ronald Heinlen Jerry Palmer Steve Palmer

The Turney family is grateful for your presence here today, and wishes to invite you to a bereavement dinner, to be held here at First Baptist Church following the graveside service at the Fulton Cemetery.

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
— Psalm 63:1

"O LORD, I SEEK YOU ..."

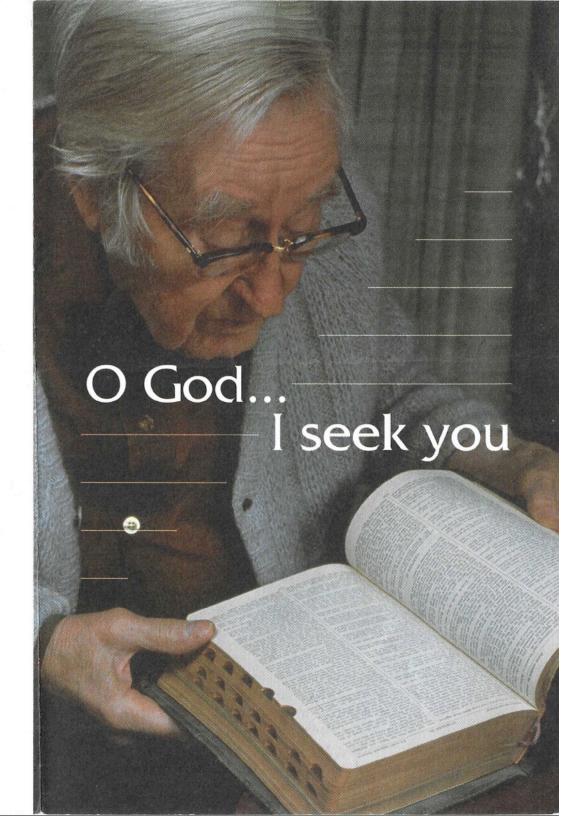
This psalm establishes an immediate relationship between the author and the reader. No longer a shadowy figure from the pages of the Bible, the author is transformed into a confidante, a companion on the journey. No longer a stranger, the psalmist testifies with familiar emotions to our shared experience. This person knows the intense anxiety and the prolonged misery of thirsting for God.

It is almost impossible to imagine having a desire we cannot instantly satisfy. Technology has attempted to anticipate our every need: Lonely? Phone a friend. Hungry? Go to the best restaurant. Bored? Go bungee-jumping or hot-air ballooning. Have an unidentified craving? Try luxury vacations, fur coats, more education, larger diamonds, computer networking, or virtual reality.

But advanced technology cannot begin to comprehend our longing for intimacy with God. When our hearts cry out for the compassion and the fellowship only God can provide, nothing else will satisfy us.

Of this thirsting for God, St. Augustine wrote, "You [God] awake us to delight in Your praise, for You made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in You." That we thirst for God is a natural result of the God-shaped space in each of our hearts. That God will meet us as we seek God is indeed our blessed assurance.

Valentine Royal Director, American Baptist Women in Ministry Board of Educational Ministries



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor

February 26, 1995

"The Transfiguration"

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

Give us, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag down; give us an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give us an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow upon us also, O Lord our God, understanding to know Thee, diligence to seek Thee, wisdom to find Thee, and a faithfulness that may finally emprace Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. -Thomas Aquinas

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come seeking the holy love of God, that we may become whole and loving. As Christ has shared the life of earth, through Christ we may share the life of God, in growing holiness, justice and love.

In awe, faith, and thanksgiving, let us rejoice in God's presence and share God's life.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #12

"Praise to the Lord, His Glories Show"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #576

MISSION MOMENT

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication Offertory

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God, above ye heavenly host.

Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 55:10-13, page 635 ANTHEM "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Lemmel

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING#392

"Take Time to Be Holy"

MORNING PRAYERS

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9:28-36, page 900

MORNING MESSAGE "Down in the Valley"

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #506

"O Jesus I Have Promised"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

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*ALLELUIA

*POSTLUDE

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY 7:00 **Boy Scouts**

TUESDAY Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

WEDNESDAY 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service

> 7:30 Choir

FRIDAY 9:30 Church Women United

Sr. High A.B.Y. Convention in Columbus

SATURDAY 10:00 Lenten Series

Church Women United will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, March 3 at William Street United Methodist Church. The gathering to celebrate World Day of Prayer will begin with refreshments, followed by a worship service featuring speaker Norma Seamen, who will speak about her experience in Nigeria. Childcare will be provided.

The flower on the altar is in honor of the birth of Meagan Leigh Fogle, born on Friday, February 24. The sanctuary flowers are in honor of Ben Turney who died this week.

QUESTIONNAIRE

Check all that apply.

OUR	CHURCH NEEDS
	Help in meeting the needs of young families.
	Ways to effectively train teachers and leaders.
	Guidance on how to reach out to unchurched people.
	Biblically-based, relevant resources.
	Advice on resolving internal conflict.
	Help in sponsoring a new congregation.
	Facilities for spiritual retreats and camping experiences.
	Renewal and revival.
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WALKinlove

America for Christ Offering 1995



Your gifts help your congregation and almost 6,000 American Baptist congregations in the United States and Puerto Rico meet today's challenges for discipleship and leadership in a changing world.

Your gifts reach out and touch the lives of people in need in your community and thousands of people in need in our country.



Last year, together, we gave almost \$2,000,000 through the America for Christ Offering—gifts of love and support that share the Good News of Jesus Christ in our communities.



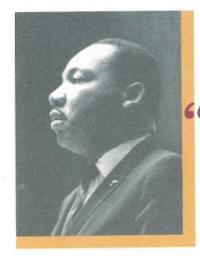
How many boxes on the questionnaire did you check? How much will you give for each box?

Walk in love, as Christ loved us

GOAL \$2,300,000



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King, Jr. was a
product of American
Baptist education,
including Morehouse
College and Crozier
Seminary. One

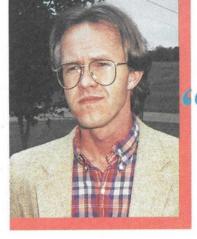
summer, as a seminary student, he served as a leader at Camp Lebanon, New Jersey."

"Who knows," speculates Albert Paul Brinson, associate director of World Mission Support, "how many future great leaders attended or led one of our American Baptist camps last summer."

Brinson grew up in the King family. "Martin knew what it meant to walk America for Christ. His walk from Montgomery to Selma will never be forgotten. Many American Baptists, like me, walked that walk. Martin had a dream that called for strong witness from the church—what he called the beloved community."

The vision, the prayer, and the gift of Martin Luther King, Jr. continue today through our support of the America for Christ Offering.





I'm interested in ministry as an American Baptist educator and as one of God's servants among God's people."

"The challenge of advanced study," says Tarris Rosell, "helps me to be more useful and versatile in ministry." Rosell, a Ph.D. student and father of four, is the recipient of an educational grant to further his study of religion, ethics, and society.

Rosell has served over ten years as an ordained American Baptist pastor, including ministries in refugee resettlement, music, and new church planting.

Ministerial leaders often need a financial boost to be able to develop their effectiveness in a changing society. Last year over 500 American Baptist seminarians and 163

pastoral leaders received that help. Educational opportunities for church vocational leaders are supported by the America for Christ Offering.



Our gifts help our pastors bring America to Christ.

Let the wise . . . gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill. — Proverbs 1:5

American Baptist Seminary Sunday

As we celebrate American Baptist Seminary Sunday, we are reminded that Christian leaders are persons with knowledge and skill, who embody the spirit of wisdom. Those who are wise have used the learnings of experience as their teacher so that the mind of Christ might be discerned in the ordinary avenues of life where ministry takes place.

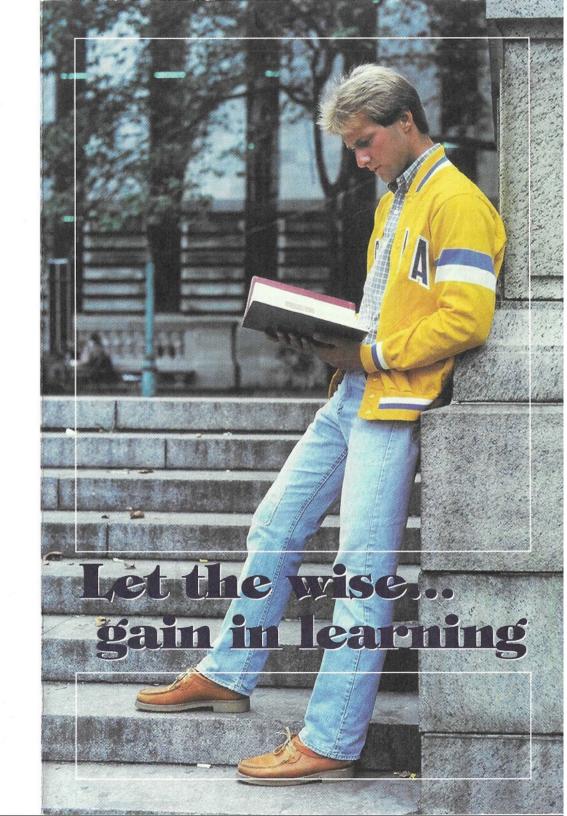
The journey into ministry has begun in the Sunday schools and youth groups of our churches. There people have been challenged by lay and pastoral leadership to hear the call of God to enter ministry. Many who have begun their faith journey in this way will return to our local churches as pastoral leaders.

This period between the beginning of faith formation and the return to the church as leaders is critical in the formation of persons for ministry. It is a time during which the human experiences of life are given a biblical/theological framework. It is a learning experience where both the mind and the spirit are stretched. The goal is women and men who can lead the church in effective and faithful ministry.

The nine American Baptist related seminaries, supported through our gifts and prayers, prepare leaders for this kind of faithful ministry. Continue this vital support, and remember that the local church is a partner in the preparation of persons for ministry.

American Baptist Seminary of the West
Andover Newton Theological School
Central Baptist Theological Seminary
Colgate Rochester/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological School
Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Evangelical Seminary of Puerto Rico
Morehouse School of Religion
Northern Baptist Theological Seminary
Virginia Union University School of Theology

David P. Ludeker Director of Continuing Education and Seminary Relations Board of Educational Ministries



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor

March 19, 1995

"3rd Sunday of Lent"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

In Retrospect on "Leaning"

Rasley

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

You who have created us and who sustains us: We come with thanksgiving for these moments when we can ease the pace of our lives and listen for your voice. Create a spirit within us that truly draws us toward you and toward our brothers and sisters: a spirit deep, perceptive, gentle, and bold. Clear our minds, open our hearts, and touch us with your presence and your power. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our friend and Savior. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to this time of worship in reverent awe.

The place where we are standing is holy ground.

Know the presence and power of the Living God.

God comes to us as a burning fire that does not consume, a revelation bringing warmth and vitality.

We have known God throughout our history.

Yet there is so much of God we do not know. God's purposes are so far beyond our understanding.

Now in these moments we would be open to the unexpected.

Come, Holy Spirit, that we may respond. Discipline and cultivate us, that our lives may bear fruit.

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #43

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #575

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 63:1-8, page 498

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Tranquil Blessing"

Bartlett

*We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be:

All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

ANTHEM "One Dark and Solemn Night" Mengel

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #422

"Give to the Winds Your Fears "

MORNING PRAYERS

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13:1-9, page 906 MORNING MESSAGE

"Asking the Right Questions"

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #503

"Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

*BENEDICTION

*AMEN

*POSTLUDE

"Go Forth in Triumph"

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(*congregation stands)

Pastor:

The Rev. Jody Lynn Brummett

Lay Leader:

Deacon Karen Stoner

Organist: Choir Director:

Betty Porter Jim Stephenson

Junior Church:

Randy and Jennifer Turner

TODAY

12:30

Deacon's Meeting

MONDAY

7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Choir

WEDNESDAY

AY 7:00

7:00 Parish Council

THURSDAY SATURDAY

10:00 Lenten Study

Please mark you calendars and plan to join in an all church covered dish luncheon and fellowship after church, Sunday, April 2. Lunch will be followed by a brief presentation of the "Building on Common Ground" campaign.

"Come, let us go up...
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways...."

-Isaiah 2:3

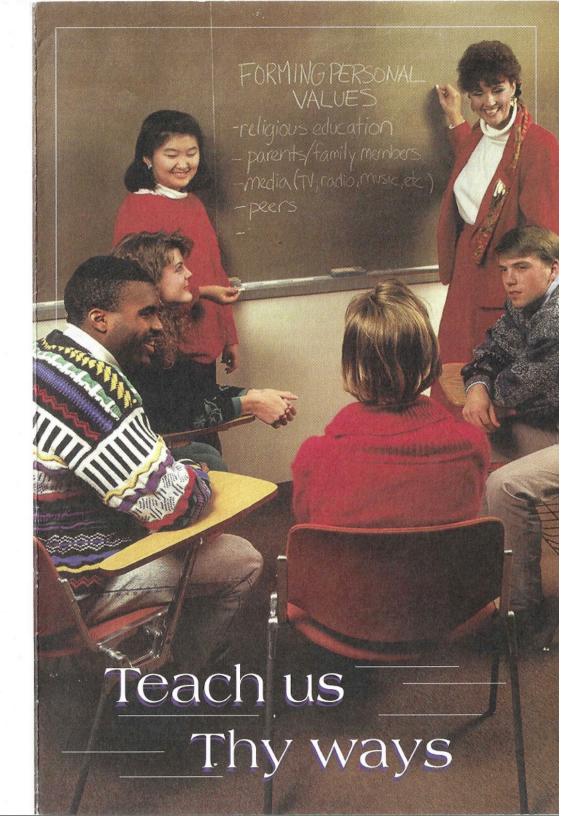
Teach Us Thy Ways

For the past several years, I have had the privilege of serving on the Board of Trustees for Linfield College. Linfield, a small liberal arts school in McMinnville, Oregon, about 35 miles south of Portland, is my alma mater. The board meets regularly three times a year, and for me each meeting is a nostalgic trip.

I have fond memories of my years at Linfield. It is the place where my mind began to come awake to the joys of learning, where I made life-lasting friendships, and where I began to wrestle seriously with my own career choices. Going back as a trustee is seeing the cycle completed yet ongoing. I am still learning and growing; I have made many more life-lasting friends; and my vocation is now vibrant and deeply rooted.

I still marvel that I found the courage and the financial resources to go to college, the first in my family to do so, and that having made the decision, I stuck to it and graduated 40 years ago. God was good to me then, seeing me through the scariest venture of my life. God is good to me now, allowing me to go back to the campus three times a year as a trustee, not only to plan for the future of a school I love, but also to walk back into my past where my scariest venture became the turning point of my entire life.

Dr. Rodney R. Romney Pastor, First Baptist Church Seattle, Washington



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor

Marcl	n 24,	1996

"Fifth Sunday of Lent"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

"Lenten Prayer"

Warriner

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

God of broken dreams and empty tombs, you meet us when we feel empty and without strength or purpose; you are present in the midst of our hopelessness and despair. You greet us in times of fulfillment and joy; you are with us when life is going well. As we hear stories of your people who have had experiences similar to our own, grant that we may know your transforming presence as they did. Bring new life to us that we may walk as your people, affirming your gifts and celebrating your love. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INTROIT **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #57

"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #575

SCRIPTURE LESSON, Ezekiel 37:1-14, page 747

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Lilly of the Valley"

Lewis

Response

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone, a trust O Lord from Thee.

SOLO

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Jeanne Ekelberry

Mason

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING#187

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

MORNING PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11:1-45, page 934

MESSAGE

"Fear of Life"

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #499

"The Master Has Come and He Calls Us"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE (Tune: Blest Be the Tie That Binds)

Until we meet again, walk gently in the way.

Dwell in the hollow of God's hand;

rejoice, and serve, and pray! *POSTLUDE "Rejoice This Day"

Wilson

(*congregation stands)

MINISTERING TODAY

Pastor:

The Rev. Jody Lynn Brummett

Lay Leader:

Deacon Dave Lovell

Organist: Choir Director:

Betty Porter Jim Stephenson

Junior Church:

Barb Reed

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

2:00 Eagle Scout Court of Honor

7:00 Sr. High A.B.Y., at Andrew's House

MONDAY

6:30 DISCIPLE Bible Study

7:00 Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir

THURSDAY

7:00 Parish Council

Your contribution will be needed to make our America for Christ goal of \$300. The total to date is \$221.14.

Our SHUT-INS: MILDRED BOWERS and NELLIE SHEETS, at Delaware Court Health Care Center; FRANCES BRANDUM, Marge Smale's sister, at Delaware Court Health Care Center; and ANITA SWEARENGIN, Frances Johnson's sister, at The Arbors of Delaware.

Those in need of our PRAYERS include: A.B.C. of OHIO STAFF; LAURA ANDERSSON, 11 year old daughter of Helen and Bruce Andersson, members of St. Peter's Church; CHUCK ARMSTRONG, A.B.C. of Ohio East Area Minister; PATRICIA ATWOOD, Teri Mompher's mother; GEORGE BARRY, Sheila Rutherford's father; FRAN BRETON, A.B.C. of Ohio Mission Support Staff Person; PAT CHITWOOD, Karen Stoner's friend; KATHRYN CLAPPER; the FRANCIS family; MELODY & CHRIS GAGE, friends of the Turners; MARY GILLETTE; MICHAEL HEINLEN, Bernice Turney's grandson and Lana Palmer's nephew; JEREMY HEIZER; LARRY JOHNSON, Tammy Francis' co-worker; the KOENIG family; ARVILLA LEE, Evelyn Lee's sister; BRUCE LEE; JOAN LOCKHART, friend of Barb Reed; JOHN MEAD, Jean Wickum's son; ALTA MUNK, Nicole Howard's grandmother; MARY ANN & JOHN MURDAY; WILBUR NICHOLS, Tammy Francis' co-worker; DAVID OSBORNE; BILL PORTER, Janet Porter's father; JANET PORTER; LISA &DAVID RICKMAN, Randy Turner's cousins; THEODORE SPARKS, Bertha Van Brimmer's brother; ZITA YOUNG; BERNICE TURNEY; BERTHA VAN BRIMMER; GREG WALKER; the WERLING family; the WHIPPLE family; and JEAN WICKUM.

Those away at COLLEGE and in the MILITARY include: JEFF FAULK, at University of Notre Dame; DEBBIE LOVELL, at Baldwin Wallace College; NATALIE MOWERY, at Ohio State University; JARROD TRIGG, at Eastern Michigan University; VICTOR FOGLE, in the Marines; ED & JENNIFER LINN, in the Air Force.

American Baptist Camps and Conferences Sunday

When we read this verse in Ephesians, we think of the unity we have in Christ even though we are individuals with our own unique differences, talents, and gifts. The same can be said for the relationship between our churches and church camps. The Christian camp serves as an extension of the Christian education programs that our churches carry on. To be sure, the camp has some differences from our homes and churches—the uniqueness of the camp setting, counselors instead of parents, a cabin group rather than brothers and sisters, and camp activities rather than school activities, to name a few. All of these are changes from one's normal routine. These characteristics that are unique to the camp setting give us a great opportunity to reach our young people and adults, because they are often more responsive to the message of Christ when away from their home environment.

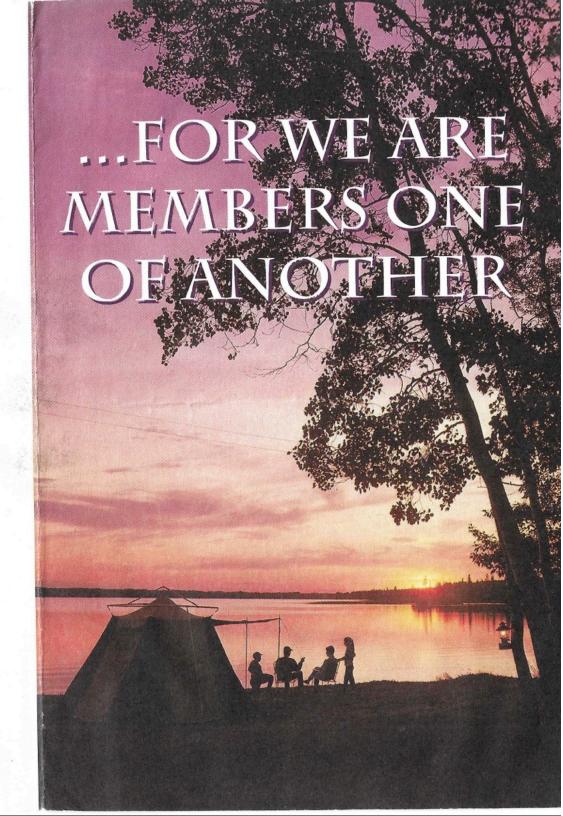
Camp gives young people the opportunity to escape the sometimes negative influences they face daily. It provides a chance to see an alternate set of values in operation, because at camp the camper has almost all day every day to watch a counselor model

Christ—be an example in every situation.

Yes, camp is frogs or fish down at the lake; it's a starry sky, a hiking trail, singing around a campfire, and making new friends. It is also establishing a friendship with a counselor who can give love, attention, and acceptance and who can be the most important factor in changing that camper's life forever. Spiritual values are a natural part of every moment of every day, not just during chapel time but in whatever activity camper and counselor are doing. Camp allows them both to put into practice the life-changing Word of God.

These unique characteristics of the camp are made possible by the support and involvement of our churches. No camp can exist without the church. Yes, "we are members one of another."

> Richard Kallander Director, Baptist Camp Judson American Baptist Churches of the Dakotas



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor Sister Jane Morrissey, preaching

April 23, 1995

2nd Sunday of Easter

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

O Risen Christ, we are grateful that you walk among us on earth, bringing life and hope. Help us to recognize you; help us to be aware of your presence in our time of worship. Enable us to stand alongside you in your ministry of healing on the crowded roads of our world, through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is a day to celebrate new life, To open our ears to the sounds of God's world, To open our eyes to the beauty of creation.

We are glad for the green grass and flowers, For the music of birds and raindrops.

This is a day of gladness and joy;

We remember Jesus, who welcomed all people

And recognized the value of each one.

We are glad for Jesus,

Our helper and our friend.

Jesus is alive! His Spirit lives in us, Be glad today. Let's rejoice together.

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #515

"Hope of the World"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #575

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication Offertory

> *We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be:

All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #350

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

MORNING PRAYERS

Leader: We pray to the Lord People: Lord, hear our prayer

THE GOSPEL LESSON Acts 9:1-20, page 955

MORNING MESSAGE "The Road to San Antonio"

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*AMEN

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Sister Jane Morrissey

Organist:

Mary Lou Lovell

Choir Director:

Jim Stephenson

Junior Church:

Carol Grubbs and Teresa Griffith

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 3:00 Dedication of Habitat Houses MONDAY 7:00 **Boy Scouts**

WEDNESDAY

6:30 Quarterly Business Meeting

THURSDAY

7:00 A.B.W. Ministries, at Delaware

Historical Society

SATURDAY

9:00 Garage Sale to benefit Habitat Trip to

Guatemala, at the parsonage

Sister Jane's visit is given as a gift by Cynthia Bland to the glory of God and in memory of Cynthia's mother, Rena Cheek Bland (June7, 1927 - May 5, 1975).



Building on Common Ground

is a three-year capital funds campaign to raise \$1.5 million for the evangelism and outreach ministries of the American Baptist Churches of Ohio.

Goal: \$ 1,500,000

- * \$ 700,000 for planting seven new churches in Ohio.
- * \$ 400,000 for an endowment. Income from the endowment will be used for grants to churches to begin new evangelism and outreach ministries in their communities.
- \$ 400,000 for new camp and conference facilities --

Judson Hills

- * Replace 2 all-season cabins
- * Build a new cabin
- * Complete a new office

Kirkwood

* Build a self-contained retreat center especially designed for senior adults

Note: Members of the Ashtabula and Akron Associations may designate a portion of their pledges to Koinonia.



CAMPS TRAIN FUTURE LEADERSHIP

The Outdoor Ministries program provided at Judson Hills and Kirkwood Camps and Conference Centers is one of the most effective and widely used resources of the ABC/OHIO. More than 1,000 youth attended ABC/OHIO camps in 1994. Retreats for church groups, the Bible and Missions Conference, training conferences for women's and men's groups are also held at these sites.

Hundreds of lives are changed at ABC/OHIO camps as people of all ages make new commitments to Jesus Christ.

Many pastors and professional church leaders serving in Ohio made commitments to God and the professional ministry at an ABC/OHIO camp. Among them is Charles "Chuck" Armstrong who served as a pastor in Ohio, and area minister and director of camping for the ABC/Michigan. Chuck is now ABC/OHIO East Area Minister. He will also work with the Outdoor Ministries program.

Lay leaders like Mike and Karla Sturgeon of First Baptist Church, Sunbury, also cite the influence of ABC/OHIO camps in their lives. The Sturgeons are youth advisors for the Marion Association as well as their church. They have directed camps since 1991.

"We remember counselors like Gary Boggs (now pastor at Second Baptist Church, Newark)," explains Karla. "He showed us that, through Christ, people can have joy and peace in their lives every day. Defining the Christian experience from the Bible and modeling it for maturing young people is our primary goal."



The days are surely coming, says the LORD when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

—Jeremiah 33:14-15

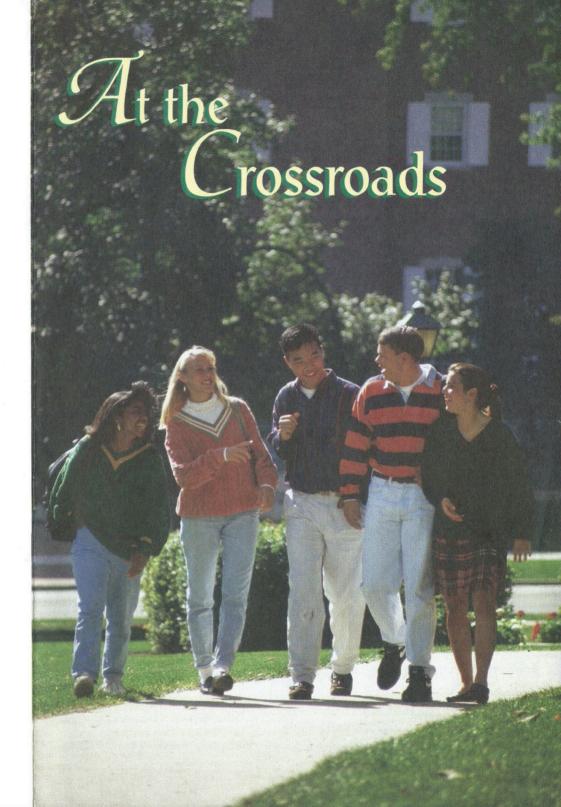
At the Crossroads

May Campus Ministry Sunday remind all of us that we and those depicted on this bulletin cover are at the crossroads of life. Today the church's campus ministry is with students of all ages: those straight from high school, young adults, middle adults, and older adults. We stand in the intersection between the past and the future. Think about the crossroads of the present moment—the happenings around the world, within our country, in your community, on the nearby college campus, in your church, in your life.

At times the promises of God can seem distant from our life experiences. It seems difficult to find signs of the Christ anywhere. God beckons each of us to risk journeying to new places inside ourselves, in our relationships with others, and in the larger world. Filled with unexpected turns, dead-end stops, hazardous obstacles, beautiful scenery, and surprising encounters, each journey presents itself as a series of crossroads – intersections where God's grace meets us in our human experience, opening our eyes to the incarnation of God's love already present and challenging us to become signs of God's love to others. Christ came to dwell with us and among us and lives through us in our acts of justice, peace, and reconciliation toward one another.

God's urgent call is for each of us to learn to live differently, especially in light of the societal crises around us – the breakdown of community life, the deep sense of isolation and powerlessness that many feel, the many acts of violence, and the destruction of the planet. May all of us—church and campus—be in dialogue and conversation about our own experiences and struggles in the crossroads of our lives.

Rev. Dayle H. Scott Interim Director of Adult Ministries Education for Discipleship Educational Ministries



The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor

"Grace" October 29, 1995 +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach PRELUDE

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

Graceous god, we give you thanks for the gospel record and for the simple words Jesus spoke, which help us understand your presence in the world and the coming of your reign. Help us to understand Jesus' words, and to see the signs and parables you have for us in the world today; through the power of your Spirit. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF PRAISE, #466

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #575

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication

"Lily of the Valley" Offertory

Harp and Gry

*Doxology

"My Song Is Love Unknown" ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *HYMN OF THANKSGIVING#288

"Amazing Grace"

MORNING PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE Luke 18:9-14, page 911 "Fact or Fiction?" MESSAGE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #344

"Be Thou My Vision"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE (sung to the tune: "Morning Has Broken")

New life has bloomed here,

God's love has warmed us:

Now the world calls us

Go and spread love.

God's peace go with you.

May it sustain you,

And bring us together

To praise God again.

Williams *POSTLUDE "For All the Saints"

(*congregation stands)

MINISTERING TODAY

The Rev. Jody Lynn Brummett Pastor:

Deacon Alison Mowery Lay Leader:

Betty Porter Organist: Choir Director: Jim Stephenson

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

1-3 Marion Assoc. Youth Board TODAY

MONDAY 6:30 DISCIPLE Bible Study

7:00 **Boy Scouts**

WEDNESDAY 6:30 Choir

Church Women United. FRIDAY 9:30

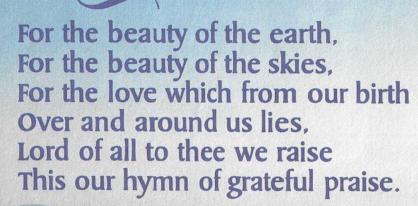
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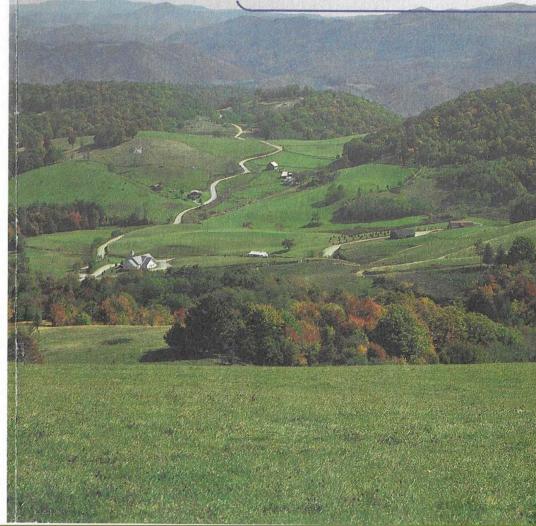
SATURDAY 10:00 Youth Inquirer's Class

The "Good News" publishes next Sunday. Please submit items

for the newletter to Jim Stephenson today.

The World Mission Offering still stands at \$285.47. Your contribution could make our goal of \$300.





A Service of Worship offered to the Glory of God in Celebration of the Life of

Willard Guy Fogle

December 4, 1995 11:00 a.m.

OPENING MOMENTS

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

INVOCATION/LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

PSALM 23, #598 (In Unison)

READING "Walk a Little Plainer Daddy"

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE & REFLECTION

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

PRAYER OF HOPE

*CLOSING HYMN , #207
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

(*congregation stands)

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Officiant: Organist:

The Rev. Jody-Lynn Brummett

Mary Lou Lovell

The Fogle family is grateful for your presence here today, and wishes to invite you to a bereavement luncheon, to be held here at First Baptist Church following the graveside service at

Oak Grove Cemetery.

Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, . . .

-Isaiah 40:31

Student Recognition Sunday

I have fond memories of coming home for the Christmas holidays when I was a student at a college a thousand miles away from home. Exhausted by the rigor of final exams, I looked forward to returning to favorite and familiar places. One particular familiar place was my home church. There delighted and welcoming smiles would greet me, arms would enfold me, and caring voices would bless me. I had returned home, to the congregation that had nurtured me and taught me to walk in the ways of the Lord.

Sitting among my church family, I would look about and spot Mr. Dains, who decidedly had given up most Saturday evenings to be with our youth group on outings. And there was Mrs. Haberer, a mentor and friend during my high school years. Other college students had returned from near and far, too, for the holidays.

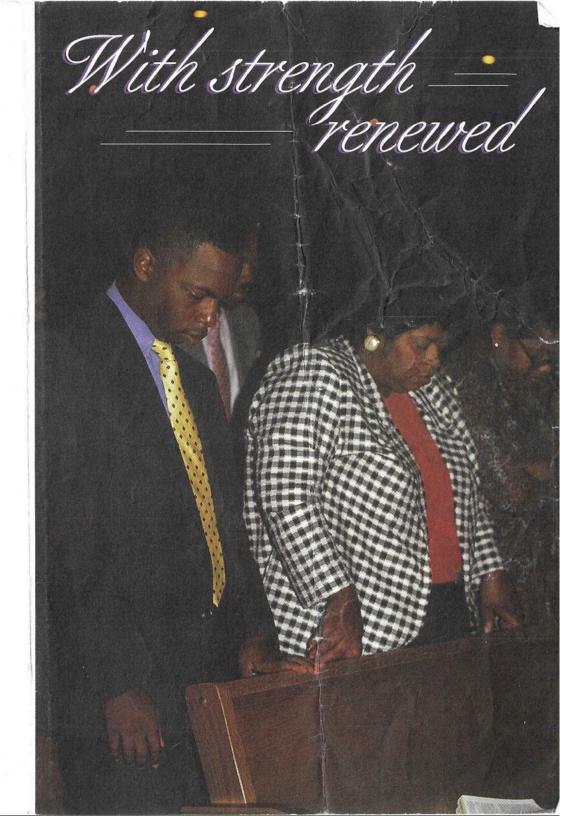
During these times in my home sanctuary, I would drink in the familiarness, the warmth, and the love, knowing that I was being renewed for unknown experiences in the future in unfamiliar places. That time in my home church was "life giving."

I am grateful for those faithful persons from home. Their caring presence taught me something about how God renews us, giving power to the faint and strength to the powerless so that we might "mount up with wings like eagles, . . . run and not be weary, . . . walk and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31)

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Virginia R. Holmstrom Director of Communications Educational Ministries

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The Reverend Jody Lynn Brummett, pastor Larry Faulk, guest preacher

December 31, 1995

New Years Eve

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Redner

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

Creative God, you make all things new in heaven and on earth. We come to you at the dawn of a new year with new desires and old fears, new decisions and old controversies, new dreams andold weaknesses. Because you are a God of hope, we know that you create all the possibilities of the future. Because you are a God of love, we know that you accept all the mistakes of the past. Because you are the God of our faith, we enter your gates with thanksgiving and praise, we come into your presence with gladness and a joyful noise, and we serve and bless you, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us celebrate Christmas in the Spirit of Jesus Christ, who came to us from the heart of God's own being, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness.

Like Jesus, we would seek at this season more to give than to receive, and more to love than to be loved.

We celebrate God's entering into our lives in human form, to bring light to all the world.

ALL: May every knee bow before the newborn Savior; with the angels, may every tongue sing: Glory to God in the highest. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #114

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

*INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

*GLORIA PATRI #575

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication Offertory "Poeme de Noel"

Beethoven

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (Followed by Jr. Church for grades K-6) *HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #326

"God of Our Life"

MORNING PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 16:4-13, page 940

MORNING MESSAGE

"Resolutions"

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT, #560

"Another Year Is Dawning"

(If you feel called to make a public statement of your commitment to God, or to rededicate your life to God, or to join formally with this church, you are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE (Tune: Blest Be the Tie That Binds)

Until we meet again, walk gently in the way.

Dwell in the hollow of God's hand;

rejoice, and serve and pray!

*POSTLUDE "Angels We Have Heard on High" Mansfield

(*congregation stands)

MINISTERING TODAY

Pastor:

The Rev. Jody Lynn Brummett

Guest Preacher:

Larry Faulk

Lay Leader:

Deacon Randy Turner

Choir Director:

Jim Stephenson

Organist:

Betty Forter

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY

7:00 **Boy Scouts**

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir

THURSDAY

10:00 Sewing Group

SATURDAY

10:00

Parish Council Calendar Planning

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and haste,

and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible without surrender

be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly;

and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant;

they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons,

they are a vexation to the spirit.

If you compare yourself with others,

you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.

Keep interested in your own career, however humble,

it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs,

for the world is full of trickery.

But let this not blind you to what virtue there is;

many persons strive for high ideals;

and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself! Especially, do not feign affection.

Neither be cynical about love;

for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment

it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years,

gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nuture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune.

But do not distress yourself with imaginings.

Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline be gentle with yourself.

You are a child of the universe,

no less that the trees and the stars;

you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you,

no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore be at peace with God,

whatever you conceive Him to be,

and whatever your labors and aspirations,

in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams,

it is still a beautiful world.

Be careful. Strive to be happy.

Found in Old Saint Paul's Church, Baltimore; Dated 1692



Our SHUT-INS: MILDRED BOWERS and NELLIE SHEETS, at Delaware Court Health Care Center; FRANCES BRANDUM, Marge Smale's sister, at Delaware Court Health Care Center.

Those in need of our PRAYERS include: A.B.C. of OHIO STAFF; LAURA ANDERSSON, 11 year old daughter of Helen and Bruce Andersson, members of St. Peter's Church; PATRICIA ATWOOD, Teri Mompher's mother; FRAN BRETON, A.B.C. of Ohio Mission Support Staff Person; KATHRYN CLAPPER; the FOGLE family; the FRANCIS family; AUDREY LEONARD; JOHN MEAD, Jean Wickum's son; MARY ANN & JOHN MURDAY; DAVID OSBORNE; MITCH PARRISH, co-worker of Beth Trigg; BILL PORTER, Janet Porter's father; SHEILA RUTHERFORD; ETHEL TRODGDON, Jeanne Ekelberry's mother; BERNICE TURNEY; BERTHA VAN BRIMMER; LORAINE VAN BROEKHOVEN, Harold Van Broekhoven's mother; the WERLING family; and JEAN WICKUM.

Those away at COLLEGE and in the MILITARY include: JEFF FAULK, at University of Notre Dame; DEBBIE LOVELL, at Baldwin Wallace College; JARROD TRIGG, at Eastern Michigan University; VICTOR FOGLE, in the Marines; ED & JENNIFER LINN, in the Air Force.

Let us pray for all those who are homeless in the cold of winter and also those who have no family.