

CENRAL BURNABY UNITED CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP - FEBRUARY 14, 1971

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THE APPROACH

Prelude (As the minister enters the congregation is asked to stand)
Call to Worship
Act of Praise #1 vs. 1
Prayer
Hymn #40 "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

THE WORD OF GOD

Unison Reading: Psalm Selection #742

Children's Story

Hymn

#15 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Announcements

Scripture Reading Philippians 3: 3-14

Hymn #153 "Spirit Divine Attend Our Prayers"

Sermon "Not Having a Righteousness of My Own"

(Rev. M.J.V. Shaver)

THE RESPONSE

Hymn

#489 "Behold a Stranger at the Door!"

Prayers

M. "The Lord be with you" P. "And with your Spirit"

M. "Lift up your hearts" P. "We lift them up to the Lord"

M. "Let us give thanks" P. "It is right to do so"

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Offertory, Offering, Doxology

Commissioning & Benediction

Closing Hymn (11 a.m. Service)

"Lord let us now depart in peace

Who in thy name are gathered here

Disclose the brightness of thy face

And be forever near."

Three Fold Amen (Meditation or Silent Prayer)

Postlude (The congregation is asked to stand as the postlude begins.)

WE PUBLISH THE ANNALS OF MARRIAGE between Gordon Charles Marcus Wallace, of 420 E. 24th Ave., Vancouver B. C. and Vivian Jean Harper, of 5435 Norfolk St., Burnaby B. C., the marriage to take place at Central Burnaby United Church (Norfolk St.), Saturday, February 27, 7 p.m. If one knows just cause why these two persons should not be united in marriage they are to declare it. This is the first of asking. May they enter into this relationship in the service of Jesus the Christ and experience his grace.

THIS MORNING at Quig (Contemporary Worship) we receive into the membership of the church by infant baptism James Gordon Fiel, infant son of Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Fiel. May we grow up experiencing God's love through the fellowship of family and the church.

LOOKING AHEAD

Vancouver Church for the Deaf annual meeting at Chow United church, February 15th at 6:30 preceded by dinner cost of \$1.65. If you plan to attend phone 872-7324 before February 10th.

Central Burnaby Golden Age Club, Tuesday, February 23 1 p.m. at Sperling Ave. Games, singing, entertainment members welcome. Please phone the Church Office, Elsie Kennedy (521-6517) or Maitland and Marie Stade (521-8222) for further information.

AN INVITATION to Beth- Israel Synagogue, February 22 8 p.m. for brotherhood night sponsored by Vancouver Beth-El B-rith women. An evening of entertainment and refreshment. If interested please phone the church office or Marie Stade 521-8260. Program - "Your Neighbor Celebrates". They are highlighting their own festivals and customs. They will introduce their holidays, their origin and meanings tour of the sanctuary will be conducted by Rabbi W. Solomon spiritual leader of the Beth Israel Synagogue, and Cantor Nixon.

WE ARE GRATEFUL to Miss Karen Romans for playing the organ at the 11 a.m. service this morning.

WHERE THE ACTION IS

"As Thou didst send Me into the world, so I have sent them into the world." (John 17:18)

I am where the action is.

I live in the most exciting and challenging period of church
(history.

I am on the front lines of this the 20th century.

It is a period of great change.

Old things are passing away,
and this includes some of the traditions,
the ancient trappings and embellishments that are no
longer relevant to this age.

The Christ to whom I am driven

is not "a wooden Christ upon a wooden cross."

He is not a halo-crowned picture on the wall,

a dead plaything that I invented,

the figment of someone's imagination,

a Linus blanket or sucking thumb that comforts and

This is the Christ that may will worship (pacifies.

This kind of Christ is not where the action is.

He most certainly is not relevant to the world in which

(I live.

I am a priest of the living Christ.

He is in the world about me.

He labors in the Peace Corps, the civil rights movement,
the social welfare agencies, the courts of justice.

He is present in those churches that seek to communicate

His love to the masses about them.

Wherever I turn, I can find Him at work,

touching men with His healing,

supporting men in their conflicts,

saving men from their sins.

I don't have to look for Christ on some holy mountain

or wait for Him in some hallowed sanctuary.

I need not search for Him at spiritual retreats

or expect some revered saint to bring Him to me

or travel to some far country in quest of the Holy Grail.

He is here!

And this is where the action is.

Not Having a Rightness of My Own

Phil. 3: 3-14

UNISON READING - 742

ANNUS : -

40 God Moves in
a Mysterious Way

153 - Spirit Drawing
a Great our Progress

489 Beheld a Stranger

Prayer: ~~Engaged~~ ↓ Pause ↓
→ ~~Meaning~~ engaged + Praise

Delight → chastened compassion

Concern → which - cell off

We know - Holy Spirit.

make intercession in

Delight Grieving Caring.	His alone
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PH: 3:3-14.

NOT HAVING A RIGHTEOUSNESS OF MY OWN

The reason that's given for having preachings as part
of Christian worship →

Hear again Xn thing is
those in attendance, be addressed again - Xn thing
→ recognizing very easy to have this turn into its
opposite.

lots of reason to think this:

starting very early →
First writings - e. Paul.

① - why to write -

② - what happened to him, i.e. Pauline Thought

Also: past conviction - varies in strength from time to time.

Xn dull } manages to say - other than the
Xn properly dull } Xn message.

Life according to the Phil - That's the problem.

Sometimes to boast about in the Phil: -

author: - } lectures - indicates
 } overcome the phil - goal
 Righteousness of my own.

one of the things that life according to the Phil - means to Paul

having a righteousness of my own

What is THIS?

WHAT'S WRONG? with having a Righteousness of my own?

I Get Feel of this -

Double
Context
↑
good Man
God's Righteous
Righteous
Man

Paragraph of Paul's - letter to Romans
→ one might die - good man
→ can't imagine anyone dying for a righteous man
→ Paul's Righteous -
"which yet a sinner" - x died for us.

II A Doesn't let anyone else be righteousness unless they
are like me -
lectures them - instruct them to be like me.

B Good man :- Righteousness of his own - Love not rules.

Doesn't let anyone else be righteous unless they Love
like me. - only I won't believe
→ indulgent of their failures
- Forgive them

— hard to deal with their sin.
AM SURE - hear less than the Xn message why
we hear it says LIVE LOVE

Another way

17) Profound Insight : Xn Distinction God's Righteousness
and a Righteousness of my own

Offers a Remedy for the realities of the situation.

None of us are that Righteous - none of us are without neighbours
None of us can afford to be isolated from the others' righteousness.

The trouble with seeing the remedy for the evils & ills
of human life in the application of zeal to have a
righteousness of our own - does not prepare us
for life in the real world.

Mock Works Righteousness

A remedy for sin that offers only our zeal to be loving.
Lays an impossible demand on ourselves and others
and does not deal with our betrayal of ourselves and
others - right at the point we are trying our
hardest to be good.

Such a remedy - works very powerful kind of destruction
— goes by the name of high righteousness.

The Remedy the Gospel works
 does not come of our goodness
 it comes of our being forgiven.

The remedy the Gospel works in me is not that
 I become good & urge you to be like me.
 But that we are forgiven together,
 so that we can bear one another.

X's REMEDY FOR SIN

RADICAL ONE

I am not sure whether we ever hear
 it without distortion.

X's Remedy for Sin : is not that you are somehow
 going to have enough righteous good around
 enough sacrificial dedication around so
 that sin doesn't abound.

BUT THAT GRACE MUCH MORE ABOUNDS

Can you imagine the difference it would make

if ~~we~~ we LET GRACE ABOUNDING
 Be the remedy for sin
 Rather than our own Righteousness?

HI-C WEEKEND

Last weekend 44 Hi-C from five congregations joined together for a live-in experience at Sperling Ave. building. 12 of our own Hi-C were part of the "Communication-Celebration" Our Hi-C wrote a song for the creative worship and the chorus seems to best describe how people were feeling. We hope to share the song with everyone soon.

Color life with joy
Share love together.
Jesus shared it with us then,
Why can't we do it again?

REPORT FROM THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- approximately 100 members & adherents shared in the Pot-luck supper and over 150 attended the meeting.
- an enthusiastic sing song almost raised the roof!
- Mr. Charlie Burritt & Rev. M.J.V. Shaver were welcomed as representatives of Presbytery & the Metropolitan Council.
- brief reports concerning the life and work of the church were given with time for questions.
- the recommendations of the Church Board re buildings and property (contained in the Annual Report) were passed with large majorities.
- the budget was passed.
- Noel Wells was elected chairman of the Church Board.
- Presbyters and Church Board members were elected as shown on sheets in the Narthex.
- Trustees elected were: Art Brookes, Ellis Cruickshank, and Bruce Steen.
- Doris Johnston was elected the St. Leonard's Society representative.
- the minister was given a vote of confidence.

63rd ANNUAL MEETING of B.C. District Canadian Bible Society, Thursday, February 25, 1971, Dinner at 6:15 p.m. St. John's Shaughnessy Church. Dinner \$1.75 per person. Guest speaker, Rev. George E. Ward. For those who want to attend, tickets are available at the church office.

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THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

A WARM WELCOME to all and especially to visitors and newcomers worshipping with us this morning.

THIS MORNING we welcome to the pulpit a special guest, Rev. M.J.V. Shaver, Research & Development Officer of the newly formed Metropolitan Council of the United Church. He will be assisted by Mr. Art Brookes, one of our elders, while the minister attends Quig (the contemporary worship) to share in the Sacrament of Baptism. Mr. Shaver was a parish minister in Manitoba before coming to Vancouver as chaplain at U.B.C. He began his present work approximately one year ago. Many of you who met Mr. Shaver at our Annual Congregational meeting will know that he is one of the outstanding leaders of our church.

LAST SUNDAY we received into our adult membership by certificate of transfer Mrs. Josephine Lamb from Metropolitan United, Victoria, Mrs. Thelma Jones from Meadowlark United, Edmonton, and Malcolm & Mary Collins, from the Methodist & Episcopal Churches in Texas. We welcome them to the fellowship of Central Burnaby United Church.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon: C.G.I.T. 7 p.m. at 6550 Lakeview
Tue: Golden Age Club, 1 p.m. at Sperling Ave.
6:30 p.m. A.O.T.S. Norfolk St.
7:30 p.m. HI- C at Sperling Ave.
Wed: Youth Centre open at 7:30 p.m.
Church Board 8 p.m. at Lakeview Ave.
Thur: Explorers, 6:30 p.m. at Lakeview Ave.
Fri: Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, 7 p.m. at Sperling
Sat: Messengers, 1-3 p.m. at Lakeview Ave.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN COLLEGE OF ORGANISTS, Mon. Feb. 15th at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Anglican Church, 37th & Larch, Vancouver, B.C. New Anglican - United Church Hymnal - demonstration and commentary by Hugh McLean assisted by Patrick Wedd.