

OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

11:00 A. M.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1976

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

The Praise of God

The Call to Worship

Hymn: 109 (86) "When I survey"

Prayer of Invocation

Unison Reading: 532 "Souls of the Righteous"

The Gloria

Quartette: "For The Crowd Of Thousands" Finlay

The Word of God

The Reading from Scripture: Romans 15: 1-13

Luke 9: 1-10

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 4 (638) "Ye gates, lift up your heads"

Sermon: "The Spring Of Hope"

Rev. Jack Shaver

Our Response to God's Word

Prayer

Solo:

"Light Of Our Life" Loughborough

Tom Mawson

The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology

The Life and Work of The Church

Hymn: 114 (502) "What a friend we have in Jesus"

The Benediction and Choral Amen

Organ Chimes and Postlude

"GO OUT TO SERVE"

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WELCOME - We extend a sincere welcome to all who are visiting with us today. An informal Coffee Hour will be held immediately after both Services, and all are invited.

"A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to a person who isn't."

Organist
Harry Stothers
7:00 P. M.

EVENING BROADCAST on CKWX

(Heard at 8:00 p. m.)

Organ Prelude

The Call to Worship

Hymn: 65 (208 Vs. 1-3,5) Tune: Warrington

"Jesus, where'er thy people meet"

Prayer of Invocation

Quartette: "Come, Holy Ghost, In Love" Whitehead

The Reading from Scripture

Solo: "Light Of Our Life" Loughborough

Tom Mawson

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

Quartette: "Gather 'Round And Praise The Lord"

Sermon: "Revelation Comes Alive"

Rev. Art Griffin

Prayer

Hymn: 268 (438) Tune: Mannheim

"Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us"

The Benediction and Choral Amen

Organ Chimes and Voluntary

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(Off the Air)

The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology

Announcements: The Life and Work of The Church

Hymn: 156 "Mine eyes have seen the glory"

Blessing and Organ Postlude

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NEXT SUNDAY, February 15th, Rev. Art Griffin will conduct the Morning Service. Rev. Ray Tingley will be preaching at the 7:00 p.m. Broadcast Service.

THE UNITED CHURCH WOMEN will meet in the Lower Lounge on Friday, February 13th, at 1:30 p.m.

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A SIGNIFICANT COMMENT on page 6 of January's 'Observer' had this to say about 'unpopular causes': "...it is instructive, though depressing, the popular attitude of a few years ago to American draft-dodgers, and more especially those rather freakish-looking young people in long hair and funny clothes who protested the Viet Nam war. The U.S. spent \$140 billion...\$7,000 for every man, woman, and child in Viet Nam...in that useless war.

People who slept on sidewalks in front of American consulates and embassies, radical churchmen, long-haired hippie types, have been proved right in their anti-war protests."

"One of the lessons is that almost all the coloured world were unanimous in their opposition to America's attempt to combat Communism with guns and bombs."

"We might also note the current criticism of the women's liberation movement, ...that it is being led by loud, brash, unattractive, mannish women...is the SAME SORT OF PUTDOWN we had in respect to those who protested the Viet Nam war. Some of them were loud, brash, long-haired, and wore jeans. In other words, they didn't conform to our middle-class image of our middle-class selves. PROPHETS SELDOM DO!"

FURTHER 10-DAYS FOR WORLD DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION:

Vicki Obedkoff, who serves on the International Affairs Committee of Conference has been doing some research on Chile: "Did you know...Noranda Mines is negotiating a multi-million dollar contract with the Chilean Junta to mutually exploit Chilean copper (and people!)"

"This is the first major business transaction with Chile by any country since the coup. The regime rules by terror and torture. Amnesty International confirms this."

"Write to any of your friends who might be shareholders of Noranda and your doctor (The Retirement Plan of the Canadian Medical Association holds 54,000 shares in Noranda Mines). Ask them to query

the Noranda Board of Directors on this deal!"

Next Sunday, we hope to have Ten Days for World Development envelopes included in the bulletins, and a thought just occurs: why not use the contributed amount for the struggle to achieve the INDIAN LAND CLAIMS which Mike Lewis (using one of our offices upstairs) is coordinating? Our B.C. Conference committed itself to \$10,000 to the Land Claims program last May, but as yet has raised only \$5,000. What do you say?

FIRST CHURCH TEAM is getting around: Congregations are obviously wanting to hear the 'First Church Story' and 'Basis of Urban Mission' as per the following invitations: Elsie Rosenberg went to Ryerson (twice) and Highlands churches last month; Vicki Obedkoff is going to Central, Burnaby, and has been to Fairview Baptist; Bill Hennessy and Ray Tingley are conducting worship at Fraserview church this morning. Jack is resource person at Queen's Ave. congregational retreat in three weeks. Art goes to Cloverdale, South Hill and St. Giles to two weekend retreats and one joint UCM and UCM Rally. *Ref is in - Dunbar*

FIRST CHURCH CONGREGATION NEWS: Ray Tingley conducted the funeral service for Lily Adams on Friday, January 30th. Lily was for many years an active member of 'Happy Hours'.

Margaret Gorrill and Bill Lawrence of 'Happy Hours' are patients in St. Paul's Hospital. Team member Jan Sansalone has been re-admitted to hospital.

BULLETIN NOTE: For a two or three month trial period, those radio listeners who appreciate receiving the church bulletins and like to follow the 'Order of Service' will have their bulletins posted each Tuesday, but will contain the Sunday before's news insert. We find it impossible to get the news insert ready so early in the week.

TIME OF MORNING SERVICE: The Official Board wants to test the Morning Congregation's preferences regarding change of time. The suggested new time is 10:30 a.m. Would you let us know your feelings?

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Vancouver-Burrard Presbyterial United Church Women will be held Wednesday, February 18, 1976, at St. James United Church, 3214 West 10th Avenue, from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch is \$1.00. Voting delegates include the president and four U.C.W. members. A special invitation is extended to ministers' wives, visitors and all U.C.W. members.

THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY: SCOUTS will meet at 7:00 p.m.

ALATENS will meet at 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: HAPPY HOURS will meet at 1:00 p.m.

G.A. will meet at 7:00 p.m.

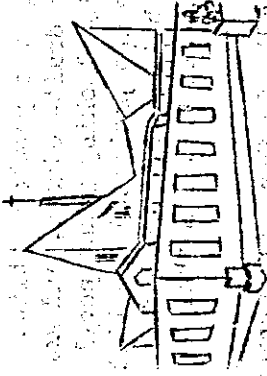
A.A. will meet at 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY: SATURDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP will meet at 8:00 p.m. in the Gym-Hall.

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February 8, 1976

Around First Church...



What did you think of those sunny days last week? And about the

lengthening of the days ...both in the mornings

and evenings? And those superb sunrises and sunsets? It has been a "Glory" week, and God's beauty has been manifest in the return of "Light".

Each Sunday should bring us the return of "Light". It is worship day, rest day, change of pace day...the day God chose for Christ's victory. It is for this reason that the FIRST day of the week superceded the Old Testament SEVENTH day of the week.

So Sunday should be a day of HOPE, no matter how burdensome or depressing the rest of the week may be. Jack Shaver, in our worship this morning, will explore the theme "Spring of Hope". Scripturally it goes "Christ was chastised for our transgressions." There are times we have to take the "rap" for someone else. Sounds interesting and penetrating.

In the Broadcast Service tonight, Art will be having a look at the book of Revelation. This book served a very important function when the early church was being persecuted in the second and third centuries. Much of it is symbolic in order to throw the Roman authorities "off the track". Properly understood, it can have a strong message for our times.

In the Magazine part of our broadcast, we will be interviewing Ms. Jan Bulman who will give us a 'flavour' of the Woman's Movement at the present time. Some of us will remember Eva Manly expressing some significant thoughts on Feminism in the Church at Conference last May.

Our Father:

Only you know what we are doing here.

→ answer of each other → - [know his power
 after the all
 = it is - welcome
 broken welcome: your welcome

How would you get a better glimpse of what I'm
really like - really believe $\rightarrow$ feel like in like -

- Listening to me preach
- Reading a letter of mine ^{that} found.

Paul of Early Church : -

ROMANS

Loose rambling thoughts $\rightarrow$ A discourse or sermon

- bear with failings of the weak ^{which} ~~which~~ ^{others} ~~others~~ ^{stronger} ~~stronger~~

- please as neighbor to be good - asking him

to do with please himself - as it is written

"THE REPROBATES OF THOSE WHO REPROBATED
THESE, FELL ON ME"

- For whatever was written in former days, was written
for our instruction - that by steadfastness

and by the encouragement of
scriptures - we might have hope

- May the God of steadfastness & encouragement

grant you to love us with harmonious

one another in accord with Jesus Christ

that together you may with one voice glorify

the God & Father of our Lord Jesus Christ $\rightarrow$

Whatever was written in former days : -

being words - suggests another -

Welcome one another $\rightarrow$ as Jesus will and goes

- For Jesus is a servant

circumcised in flesh to show God's truthfulness
- calling promoters

Grateful : - my God & Father $\rightarrow$

Some more scriptures

+ I will praise thee among gentiles —

+ Praise the Lord all gentiles.

+ The root of Jesse shall come
to rule the gentiles.

in them shall the gentiles place their trust.

May the God of Hope fill you with all joy
and Peace in believing, as that by the power
of the Holy Spirit you may abound in good

Three last sentences: —

- this congregation! → community of people
with all its problems

How scripture does it —

look out —

Something to watch out for:

Look out on another — as I welcomed you
instead of placing self place right for his word
bear with the failure of the work.

- The Breaches of those who rejected you feel on me
— pop into his head —

Feel fit — not quite what
it meant in psalm (69)

Shoulder things to live it out: —

Key passage — community of love
with all the joys & pains

Reproach of those who reproach us,

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Poem 1

George Herbert

Her Magnificence

When blood many wept for sorrow's sake
(Whose precepts she had trampled on before)
And more than for a moment's time had
Showing his steps would be the best
Wherein she thoughtfully enquire
With genuine heartiness would find & tread

She, being stained herself, why did she think
To make him clean, who could not be defiled?
Why kept she not her tears for her own faults
and not his? Though we could live
In tears like seas, our sins are piled
Deeper than they, in words & works & thoughts.

Dear soul, she knew who did wash & clean
To bear her guilt; and that her sins did dash
Even God Himself; therefore she was not left
As she had brought wherewith to stain;
So to bring in wherewith to wash;
And yet in washing one, she washed both.

Call to worship

Jesus said "Love me and I will love you"
 "I will give you my life"
 "I will give you my life"
 → "I will give you my life"

Invocation :-

O Lord God
 who are the Father of all
 Have us and us again
 O Lord God who are the Father of all
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 O Lord God who are the Father of all
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