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SUNDAY, MAY 6, 1990

ORGAN PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (UNISON)

Minister: Jesus Said "No longer do I call you servants, but I called you friends... You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.

People: God, open my ears to hear you calling my name. Overwhelm all our hearts with the wondrous news that you have chosen us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN # 468 "The Strife Is O'er"

PRAYER FOR GRACE: (UNISON) Gracious God,
We sing of a victory we hardly believe in, help our unbelief. To us, the powers of death seem to have charge of the world, Open our eyes to your steadfast love of the world at work in our midst. We are weary of well doing and the pain of our loving is hardening our hearts, have mercy upon us and by the stripes which you heal and set us free.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LECTOR: Doris Joel

1ST READING: Acts 2:42-47

PSALM 23 (RESPONSIVELY) #53 p136

GLORIA

ANTHEM: "I Know"

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EPISTLE: 1 Peter 2:19-25
GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

HYMN # 139 "How Firm A Foundation"

OFFERING: " Father, bless the gifts we offer,
Give them something kind to do,
That our talents and possessions
May give glory unto you."

Dedication

Life and Works of the Church

INTROIT: "Breathe On Me Breath Of God"

PASTORAL PRAYERS, SILENT PRAYERS
THE LORD'S PRAYER (said)

HYMN #240 "Breathe On Me Breath Of God"

SERMON: "What's So Good About Suffering For Do
Right?"

HYMN # 44 "Rejoice The Lord Is King"

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION
CHORAL AMEN ORGAN POSTLUDE

Good Morning to all visitors. Please sign our guest book in the narthex.

We would like to welcome Rev. Jack Shaver this morning who is leading us in worship while Elizabeth is at the B.C. Annual United Church Conference.

Lectiary for May 13, 1990

Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31 John 14:1-14

1 Peter 2:2-10

The Official Board will meet Tuesday, May 8, at Mountain View at 2pm {NOTE CHANGE OF TIME} Members please pick up your Minutes in the narthex, and bring them to the meeting.

A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

for the life of

ELIZABETH ELEANOR BAKER MATHER

Born: April 16, 1912, near Nemiskam, Alberta
Died: November 9, 1989 at Vancouver, B. C.

The Prelude - "Jesu, joy of man's desiring"
"Sheep may safely graze" J.S. Bach

Opening Words

Hymn: "All things bright and beautiful" . . . H.B. #86
Opening Prayer (seated, in unison)

Almighty God, in whom we live and move and have
our being, grant us now the silence of the heart
in which we can recall that we are never separated
from the love which created us, nor from the love
that is present amid suffering, nor from the love
that never ends. Bring us now into your presence
and let us be strengthened there; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings

Leader: O may I join the choir invisible of those
immortal dead who live again in minds made better
by their presence:

PEOPLE: LIVE IN PULSES STIRRED TO GENEROSITY, IN
DEEDS OF DARING RECTITUDE, IN SCORN OF MISERABLE
AIMS THAT END WITH SELF;

Leader: In thoughts sublime that pierce the night
like stars, and with their mild persistence urge
our search to vaster issues

PEOPLE: SO TO LIVE IS HEAVEN, TO MAKE UNDYING MUSIC
IN THE WORLD, BREATHING A BEAUTEOUS ORDER THAT CON-
TROLS WITH GROWING SWAY THE GROWING LIFE OF HUMANITY.

Leader: Enkindle generous ardour, feed pure love,
beget the smiles that have no cruelty;
PEOPLE: BE THE SWEET PRESENCE OF A GOOD DIFFUSED,
AND IN DIFFUSION EVER MORE INTENSE. SO SHALL WE
JOIN THE CHOIR INVISIBLE, WHOSE MUSIC IS THE GLAD-
NESS OF THE WORLD.

- George Eliot (Mary Ann Evans)
Leader: It is something to be able to paint a picture,
or to carve a statue, and so to make a few objects
beautiful:

PEOPLE: BUT IT IS FAR MORE GLORIOUS TO CARVE AND
PAINT THE VERY ATMOSPHERE AND MEDIUM THROUGH
WHICH WE LOOK, WHICH MORALLY WE CAN DO. TO
AFFECT THE QUALITY OF THE DAY, THAT IS THE HIGH-
EST OF ARTS.
- Henry David Thoreau

Poem "More lovely grows the earth" by Helena Coleman
Reflections of a Life of a Friend - Laura Tripp, Speaker
Matthew 5: 1-12 (The Beatitudes)

Meditation on the Hope Given us - Dr. Douglas Bacon

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving
Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "Morning has broken" S.G.P. #103
Commissioning and Blessing
Postlude

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All are invited to join the family of Betty Mather
in the Church Hall immediately following the service.
Refreshments will be served.

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Betty was born in the dry, southeastern corner of
Alberta where her parents homesteaded in 1910.
After her mother's early death, she lived with her
maternal relatives in Grimsby, Ontario, until re-
united with her family in Edmonton. There she fin-
ished her schooling and attended The University of
Alberta. She taught in a one-room school in the
Peace River for a short time before she met Jim in
Grimsby.

Married in 1937, Betty and Jim raised Anne, Frances
and John in southern Ontario until they moved to Van-
couver in 1952 when Jim joined the Faculty of Medicine
at U.B.C. They made their home together on 8th Avenue
until Jim's death in 1971.

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GET NAME OF TREASURER
Assurance of Pardon + Name of Joint Bank Account Page ①

If God be for you, who can be against you? It is God who justifies — who is there to condemn you.

The Peace of Jesus Christ be with you all,

Pastoral Prayer

God. we don't know how to pray as we ought. We have deep wants and needs, we long for things to go differently than they seem to be going. Does all this petitioning on our part mean that we doubt your love, that we think you need to be constantly reminded of our need, or does our ~~inability to pray to you~~ ^{inability to pray to you} indicate that we doubt your love. However it is, each one of us has a deep need to be known and ^{help} heard.

God - hear our prayers and let our cry come unto you.

Each one of us ~~to~~ ^{can} speak a word with you, O God but our voice is silenced by the great host of people throughout the world who need a word with you ~~more~~ ^{more} than we do.

We cannot come before you unless they are there too. This multitude of the need overwhelms us - The homeless, hungry & misused whole people the victims of the greed of others. God - hear their prayers and let ~~their~~ ^{their} cry come unto you.

Danoo was - specific -

any old savior any old savior
 Special about God.

Thine not that
 sincere about his Shepherd

Betting at - what he's anxious not get lost,
 stays right at church center

esp -> recognize come on as offering.

-> John says he's in

from God to the heart of the mother
 people start to leave.

Epiphany: -

Good to suffer unyielding ->

How can it be good? ->

NOT MEAN } Door not -

Poor should lie down & labor it.

Spouse should put up with

Violence

Mean something else -> DISTINCTION -> some old

Shedding of blood -> Poor - Homeless - City Hall

advocate:
 lack of opportunity
 housing

leave it to ->

Market forces ->

Institution as our savior for us

Problems

Evil conditions ^{high mass} Tools responsible for Sin.

identical - not so sudden, rubble

City Council looked like ~~shy~~ it off

Poor weren't that pleased with advocate.

Advocate didn't feel that good about identification.

Advocate could have stayed home, instead
 of staying with him or she would never be able
 to finish.

2 kinds of suffering unyielding -

* - Poor - homeless - not asking for help & to help it

* - Advocate - Called for - as for the impossible.

~~Such a taking was possible~~ →

Indeed I thought into what the story of God is.
God is taking upon himself the sin of
the whole world
God loves the world,

Sharp means - have all types of corners

CGIT Header

1. ~~So~~ 502 - guide approved
checked ~~in~~

What we were doing on that street corner -
What did we have girls & boys group for?

bears God's ~~vengeance~~ for sin - bear it.
Partake of the Glor of God by bearing
another's sin.

Meet God of all creation.

Respond to how call to take on
the burden of the world's sin.

That's the kind of my own suffering that is a blessed state.

Reason the Bible is a means for me to ~~work with people~~ ^{Meet God} ~~Catch God at~~

I got to meet the writer ^{not} FIRST HAND
 as I am meeting only second hand the person the
 writer is writing about a
 in the writer → First hand meeting with someone with whom
 you and I meet God. ^{meet people that are hearing}
 to do with that.

Writer of Acts

What it was like in
 Martin's memory of a good old days ---
 Church was young ---

had all things in common.
 (we all identify with this →)

Other writers - Psalms, Epistle Gospel
 involved I was God as Shepherd.

Shepherd's Psalm:

How many people over the centuries ^{have} found the psalm
 a vehicle of restoration of confidence in God - come flow

* Epistle: Writer has undertaken to speak a word to
 the many believers who are suffering greatly.

Don't forget that text →

alludes to Shepherd Metaphor as used
 by prophet Isaiah in his own son's
 servant song - Chapter 53 -

"All we like sheep have gone astray
 we have turned everyone to his own way
 and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity
 of us all
 upon him was the chastisement that made us
 whole. And as his sheep, we are lost."

* Gospel: John ^{has} written a discourse about the Good Shepherd
 Confronting awkward treatment of Metaphors Shepherd
 sheep fold, Door to the sheepfold. Thief need

Making a Point - Discourse ^{is} long & complicated
 in order to make clear a distinction

We bring our loved ones before you we
 put them in your hands. Does that mean we
 are giving up on them, or that ~~our~~ broken love
 for them has become strong enough for us to let
 go.
 God hear our prayer on behalf of those we love.

Many of us are losing hope in the way the
 world is going. Things are not getting ~~any~~ better,
 better, human behavior is deteriorating. ~~The~~
 problems are beyond our ken.

The more we think the world's disintegrating
 the more it matters that we take note of
 all the goodness & faithfulness around us
 that we are blind ~~to~~ as we condemn
 our state.

God we are ashamed of our complaining
 and our weariness in well doing -

But whenever we do delight in
 your bounty we feel the whole host of our
 brothers & sisters who have no hope of bounty,
 looking over our shoulders.

We know not how to pray as we ought.

But these groanings which cannot be
 uttered are the work of your holy Spirit -

This wrestling with you is the arena in
 which we meet ^{whenever} is the arena in which
 we are overcome ~~by~~ your love of the world
 → silent prayer

God Touch our sorrow and gladness
 like unto your sorrow & gladness

Through J.C. → we are
 + now as our savior has taught us - we say
 + now, Mountain view - Sing - wonderful days

Organ Prelude

Welcome "Introduction (to you)"

Call to Worship - Unison or responsive

Hymn

Prayer for Grace (Euphratism for "Confession")

Assurance of Pardon

Lectors: (Youisset or 1 from each congregation)

1st Reading

Psalm (Mountain has their own Psalm Book so only the psalm # needed)

Windsor reads Psalm from Green Service Book so page # and selection # needed)

Gloria - Mountain View seated (sang in both places)
Windsor Standing

Antheum (Lector sits with Minister during Antheum at both places. Organist accompanies respective choirs ^{on} at the piano, so at Mountain View I sit somewhere where I'm not between the accompanist conductor. Both choirs rise and come closer to the congregation)

Lector resumes with

Gospel
Epistle

(then goes back to pew)

2nd Hymn.

Offering

Dedication after offering is brought to the front.

Life and works of the church

Mountain View - Minister

Windsor - someone from the congregation.

(Both churches ask - Any birthdays?

"Anniversaries?" - and sing appropriately if so.

Interim

Pastor Prayer - Silent Prayers: the Prayer Jesus taught

→ Mt. Olivet - Song
Windsor - Said

3rd Hymn

Sermon

Closing hymn

Commissioning

Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude.

I can't think of anything else Jack so I hope this is useful and of course, there's the phone) 879-7923 (offered Windsor)

Answering machines
on all 3

299-9662

299-9625 } Home

879-7923

Jacquie Moan types the bulletin and needs it by Thursday afternoon. (Sometimes it's ready Friday. Sometimes I have to pick it up Saturday, or Sunday morning)

438-7376

Berry Schmidt - Clerk of Session, Mountain View phones Betty is a lay and in the anthem and gets the hymn #s, time and what the choir knows of 7am Psalm # and German title, so that I can be put up on the respective boards of choir practice Thursday night.

As Sylvia Moan is in Windsor choir, she gives their anthem title to Jacquie to include in the bulletin. (Windsor and Mountain View bulletins are typed separately but I just write the order of service once and show differences where necessary, eg. Mountain View uses the black (? blue) hymnary so I write Hymn: # (Blue) and first line # (Red) of hymn.

Mountain View sings Amen after every hymn.

" " " Lord's Prayer

Windsor says " "

Windsor

I put the hymn #s, Psalm # including page and section #, also sermon title on a piece of paper (copy-typed - march) and clip it on the piano at Windsor, so it's there for choir practice and so Ossie Davie (in the choir) can use the information for boards.

See you 7am Wed. May 2nd for Joe Smithson - Vicki Ballwood wedding rehearsal at Windsor, 31st & Elgin