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Rev. Art Griffin
Rev. Jack Shaver

10:30 A. M.

FIRST UNITED CHURCH
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Organist
Harry Stothers

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

The Praise of God

The Call to Worship

Hymn: 51 (10) "I'll praise my Maker while I've (breath"

Prayer of Invocation

Unison Reading: 522 "Psalms of Joy"

The Gloria

Special Music

The Word of God

The Reading from Scripture:

Ephesians 3: 14-19

John 15: 9 - 17

Hymn: 123 "Jesus loves me, this I know"

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 164 (249 Vs. 1,3,4,5) "Jesus shall reign"

Sermon: "God Is Love; Hell Is Other People"

Rev. Jack Shaver

Our Response to God's Word

Prayer

The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary and Doxology

Announcements: The Life and Work of The Church

Hymn: 197 (19) "Now thank we all our God"

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.

"You are not what you think you are; you are what you think."

7:00 P. M.

CHAPEL SERVICE

Tonight! Informal Chapel Service at 7:00 p.m. An evening of music! Come and bring your favourite hymn (we'll sing as many as possible). Is there a story to go with your favourite hymn.....how it came to be written.....or how it came to be included as one of your favourites? There will be time to share these stories. The evening is being co-ordinated by Eleanor Jackson. Dorothy Shaver will be at the piano and Carolyn Tupper will sing a couple of her favourite hymns for us. We hope you'll come and join us.

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FIRST CHURCH BROADCAST will be heard from the radio station, CKWX (1130 KC), throughout the summer months. Tonight's Service will be conducted by Rev. Jack Shaver whose sermon topic will be "Sin And Understanding".

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NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 11th: Both the Morning Service and the First Church Broadcast will be looked after by our student ministers. Mr. John Tupper will be conducting the 10:30 A.M. Service and Mr. David Vipond the First Church Broadcast, heard at 8:00 P.M. Mr. Vipond will also be conducting the 7:00 P.M. Chapel Service.

STAFF SCHEDULE: Rev. Art Griffin and Mr. Bill Hennessy of the Staff Team are presently on holidays, as is Lynn Phipps. Jan Sansalone is on leave of absence; Vicki Obedkoff and John Tupper are at Fircom directing the Junior Girls Camp.

Our organist, Harry Stothers, is taking the month of July for holidays. Joan Birchall is supplying as organist for the first three Sundays and Heather Anderson for the last Sunday.

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Announcement -

Next Sunday -

Dave Vipond on

Broadcast -

John Tappin

10:30 AM

~~Group~~

Summer Theology - Public lectures.

UST - Theatre S V B VBC
~~Summer School~~

Peter Bagg

Pat Munn

James Smylie

Mon + Wed

2 PM - July

Mon 12

Peter & Bagg

Reflections on 1 day of Prayer

Wed 14

Consecration - The Spirit

of God Donal H Donnelly

Camp Fincorn →

July 4

Junior Girls

went in July 3

Victoria Obedberg

+ John Tappin

July 4

Waver Bagg

on July 9

Chris Rowlands

Tom Mc Guire

Sin + Understanding.

Isaiah - 64: 1 - 6

Romans 5: 1 - 11

Matthew 26: 36 - 46

I can remember how offended I was the first time I heard the Bible verse quoted -
"all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags."

What a put down!

Here are all these people ^{who are} trying to be good and they don't even get ~~any~~ ^{any} thanks for effort.

There are these gracious & generous & self-giving people, integrity & fairness honest to their own hurt just though it lose them advantage.

All this admirable stuff ~~gets~~ ^{is} called filthy rags.

I'm still offended by that verse whenever it is used as a put down.

What is Christian about a put down of the hunger and thirst after righteousness?

at the same time:-

I get upset when I hear the Christian message ~~is~~ equated with the message.

I'm O.K. you're O.K.

I have come to see something very penetrating + very liberating about the Christian Doctrine of sin.

I'd like to explore around it a bit tonight.
• with it.

1 of the Christian doctrine of sin comes on as
Bad news - Put down - I think you're
not ~~hearing~~ it - what's getting heard or said
Xnys ~~made~~ fine of -- even is a distortion of it.

Way Jesus fi
- li Jesus - cheerful full joyous way of life
Paul - depressing salvation cult

if comes on as Good News Put Down:- not quite hearing it

2. I have come to see the Xn Underside of Sin
as good news.

@ at last! - illumination that lifts the whole
unworried truth come out relieved
from ~~being~~ ~~any~~ ~~more~~

Bright if tortured girl Campers, coming out with
a quote from Bernard Shaw & he says:

"The one Xn Dogma that is universally satisfactorily
is the doctrine of original sin."

(b) at last. penetration that finally gets to our
deepest human defense.

"How come it is the good things so often
that do us in?"

--- That kind of insight - rather than → "everybody's Rotten"
+ one person's solution can be handed on other
people that outright abuse of ^{one} ~~celebrated~~
approach with

+ Righteousness can do more harm than evil?
- loving, forgiving parents.

+ Innocent - who commit most devastating violence
- answered in Oct Nov.

--- This kind of insight - rather → nobody's perfect
+ active contradictions

- What comes of Jesus Ben Bour's lies his life
+ children are slaughtered
fades lions & boys
Poles should demand
Pilot works his hand.

Found like like that →

What a relief to see it acknowledge
so named.

Allow righteousness can turn bad on us

Insight. Any Righteousness
that sees itself as without sin

Frightening evil thing.

Tit 6: Sin + Understanding : go together.

Also picked the Tit - Sin + Understanding do
NOT go together.

Modern Proposal (not so modern)

If you truly understand another

His Sin is O.K

He is no longer a Sinner.

Understanding is the cure for Sin.

I think its the other way around - I AM FINALLY
understood - when I am understood as a
sinner.

Doctrine of Sin is Good News - I'm O.K

You're O.K

sin is not O.K

it hasn't a cheap cure

The Cure of Sin is Forgiveness : wounds, stripes, passion
Blood -

Forgiveness - bearing of sin while accepting.

Thats the X message of yours is O.K - NOT your're not

you count

you matter

you're accepted

} while yet a sinner

Good news for you

also very important - allow you to avoid

being Bad news to those around you