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Ministers
Rev. Art Griffin
Rev. Jack Shaver

10.30 A.M.

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn: 50 (1) "Holy, holy, holy" (Nicaea)
Invocation
Unison Reading No. 375 "This is the day"
Soloist: Tom Mawson
Scripture Readings: Luke 8: 1-8; 40-48
Hymn: 175 (400) "Fight the good fight" (Pentecost)
Prayer
Quartet: "Hymn to the Trinity" Tchaikovsky
Sermon ATTITUDES TOWARD THE SICK
Rev. Art Griffin
Offering - Prayer, Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements - The Life and Work of the Church
Hymn: 379 (151) "As/comes the breath of Spring" (Denby)
Benediction
Organ 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.

FIRST UNITED CHURCH
320 East Hastings Street
Vancouver, B.C. V6A 1P4

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 1978

Organist
Harry Stothers

7.00 P.M.

EVENING BROADCAST ON CKWX
(Heard at 8.00 P.M.)

Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship
Hymn: 107 "All praise to Thee"
Prayer of Invocation
Soloist: Tom Mawson THE LOVE OF GOD LEHMAN
Scripture Lessons: Genesis 6:5-7; John 3:16-21
Hebrews 13: 11-16
Quartet: "Jubilate Deo" CLARK
Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (sung)
Quartet: "Hail, gladdening Light" Stainer
Sermon WHO LOVES THE WORLD?
Rev. Jack Shaver

Prayer
Hymn: 308 (215) "Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing" 2
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary

*** (off the air) ***
The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements: The Life and Work of the Church
Hymn: 363 "Glory to Thee, my God"
Blessing and Organ Postlude

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NEXT SUNDAY, May 28, 1978

Mr. Paul Wilson will preach at the morning service, and in the evening there will be a Communion Service in the Chapel.

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WHO LOVES THE WORLD

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What's a better known Christian verse
of Scripture — Than John 3:16.

Evangelists put it at the heart of Everything.

Anglicans put it at the heart of the Service of Holy Communion

People in the pews of the Xn tradition can rattle off
the numbers when they can't repeat the whole verse,
— John 3:16

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE
HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON THAT WHOEVER
BELIEVES ON HIM SHALL HAVE EVERLASTING
LIFE.

This statement comes from the passage —

+ BORN AGAIN —

+ Need to be Born Again: —

I wonder how often any of us hear the front
end of this verse, we know so well.

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD →

could the point of the Gift of His son

} and about being born again

} and having everlasting life

is so that we can love the WORLD ?

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[2]

That would be remarkable good news - if it
was true →

What a great thing that would be - to be
able to love the world.

Mostly I don't like it.

" I reject it. [withdraw from it.
Make up a fantasy world to live in

I fear to risk loving any real person.

Any involvement with things as they are - painful.

W. M. Noble attempts to do good - results go off
in beautiful chaotic

The world isn't heading in the direction I want it to go
- not for a long time.

I'm Ready to hand the world back →
It is no rose-garden.

Those of you that were listening to the Magazine, ^{earlier with Brooks}
Dilemma forced us - agonized.
- energy - and for you.

Love the World:-

May of you:- Reminded Nabokov ^{Garvey} ^{NGS} ^{discussed Europe II} ^{before T.V. of that way}

→ Love the World

Love the World

Has to be God's Idea - just about too
Big for us.

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for the 1st lesson

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I read an
old

Genesis story

The Lord was sorry he had
made man. —

I will blot out man whom I
have created from the face of the ground; man &
beast and creeping things, and birds of the air,
for I am sorry that I made them.

Things didn't change that much, ^{better to say} at all.
Now we're told God so loved the world.
Can you imagine that he thought any better of it?

While thinking the same of it —

He so loved the world. —

What that would be like?

Language for what it would be like

Reading - Epistle to the Hebrews

author quote comment book of

{ Leviticus: religious practices were outlined
instructions sacrifices for sins — burned outside the camp.
who ever was out there burning them — cleansed before
he come back into the city

This Son

gives because God so loved world,
suffered outside the Gate.

Furthermore: Therefore let us go to Him outside
the camp. —

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Being With the sinful state his neighbors
abhores.

No greater miracle could happen to you or me
than that we be born again to love of the world.
What is a more glorious state than LOVING?

When I'm on the verge of that I ponder,

Who could be up to loving the world?
Who could be up to embracing that mess,
that burden,

It had better be God's idea.
But what if it is?