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10.30 A.M.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 1978

7.00 P.M.

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

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

Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship
Hymn: 82 (589) "This is my Father's World"
Invocation
Unison Reading: Psalm 40: 1-11 (Psalms for Modern Man)
Scripture Readings: Isaiah 6: 1-8
Romans 10: 13-18
Prayer
Hymn: 304 (354) "O Jesus I have promised"
Sermon FIFTY YEARS OF MEMORIES
Rev. Ray Tingley
Offering: Prayer, Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements: The Life and Work of the Church
Hymn: 294 (356) "Take my life and let it be"
Benediction
Organ Postlude

"GO OUT TO SERVE"

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.

THIS EVENING we welcome the Youth Choir from Highlands
United Church, with Jeanne St. John as their director.

Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship
Hymn: 46 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
Prayer of Invocation
Choir: "The Water is Wide"
Scripture Readings: Exodus 19: 2-6a
Romans 5: 6-11
Matthew 9: 35-10: 7
Soloist: Donna English - "Sing a Song unto the Lord"
Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (sung)
Choir: "John the Baptist"
Sermon WHO MAKES THE WOEFUL HEART TO SING?
Rev. Jack Shaver
Prayer
Hymn: 135 "Our God's a Fortress"
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary

*** (off the air) ***
The Offering: Prayer, Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements: The Life and Work of the Church
Hymn: 263 (446) "O God of Bethel"
Blessing and Organ Postlude

NEXT SUNDAY, June 18th, the Rev. Roy Stobie will
preach at the morning service; and Linda Ervin in the
evening.

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BROADCAST - June 11 1978 -Who makes the wolfel heart to sing

Lieutenant Christine McMillan is a Salvation Army officer who runs a programme called Cross Walk in the Downtown & Vancouver.

She took part in a Morning's Retreat for Some Downtown Eastside Clergy & Workers the other week -

Leaving - to a guitar accompaniment the hymns began to spread our service with - Faintest heart songs -

She introduced it by calling attention to the line "the makes the wolfel heart to sing". She had sung it a week before at the funeral of one of the girls of the street. Christine is no stranger to the WOE Bow Downtown Eastside, she is also enabled sometimes to sing.

This notion got more and more persistent as I got into the preparation of this service.

~~What~~ How wonderful if this Broadcast could be ~~made~~ of use in making some wolfel heart to sing.

The scripture lessons suggested in a week used modern lectures for this 11th Sunday in Pentecost provided some hints

The setting for the Exodus meeting is the Wilderness Camp of Israel on the 3rd day after they had ~~escaped~~ from Egypt.

Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob - & tell the people
 of Israel
 "You shall be my own possession
 among all peoples; for all the earth is mine
 and you shall be to me a Kingdom of priests
 and a holy nation. —

It's a troubled world

Every one of you that has let himself be bored
 ever about it or any body or any thing in it finds this out,

Only the hardened heart is free of woe.

But it seems to me that if it could be true
 that we were a Kingdom of Priests & a holy nation the
 woeful heart could sing.

If it could be God's priest to another —
~~that~~ woe would have meaning.

There is just so much that is wrong

There is so much hurt

The multitudes need faith & compassion

honest help. The sheep without a shepherd,

— so much to be learned & healed so few —

If it could be given to us to be God's priest to
 one another — compassion would elude & uphold us
 instead of drain & destroy us.

Enormous if — That's just what's depressing about
 the world's woe —

we have no skills, no competence, no wisdom, no
 nor strength: our failure lies at every turn
 and our commitment fails.

The message to Israel in its weakness accompanied
 us - **If** you will obey my voice and keep my
 covenant: - you shall be my own possession.

It's the knowledge of our failure to surrender
 to anything -

That's at the base of our war.

Epistle readers: -

Which get sinners - closer, you to be my
 possession.

If while we were sinners -

Chief was us

Woful heart to sing -

while we were still
 sinners - God reconciled us

Life - now

~~Answer~~ - Hebrews: 5 -

For every high priest chosen from among men is
 appointed to act on behalf of ~~them~~ in relation to God.
 to offer gifts & sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently
 with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is
 beset with weaknesses. Because of this he is bound to
 offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of
 the people. And one does not take honor upon himself
 but he is called by God -

- God's priest to earth $\rightarrow$ called & God
 priest with weakness

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Yawn. awful bout cos sure beens yall
can be the ones you righter ~~same~~ beens
there is forgiveness.

Its beens yall - another can be the
Kingdom is at hand.

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and the sacredness of civil rights.

Lord:

Harbor the harvest

justice & righteousness sown by the blood & sacrifice
of all the valiant little people of the South.

Through J. C.

as our Savior →