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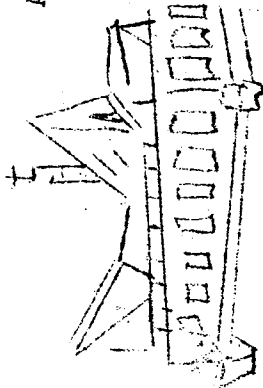
BACH-BJERRING - another musical event we can look forward to on Nov. 24th and 25th, at Ryerson United Church. A Christmas cantata "Jesus of Nazareth" with the Vancouver Cantata Singers. See the poster for details.

THIS WEEK

- Monday -- Remembrance Day holiday
- Tuesday - Handicapped program, 1-4 p.m.
Cubs - 6.45 p.m.
- Wednesday - Happy Hours, 1.15 p.m.
A.A. 8.30 p.m.
- Thursday - Handicapped program - 1 p.m.
- Scouts 7.00 p.m.
- Official Board - 8p.m.
- Friday - The U.C.W. will meet on Friday, Nov. 17 at 1.30 in the lower lounge.
- Saturday - Saturday Night Fellowship, 7.30 p.m.

By letter of the Council was sent to me - effort to be made by the Council for - while with the Council
Dear you -
Dr. of Biology -
for - mailed to your fellow members

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AROUND FIRST CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1978

Just quickly glancing over the order of service this morning one notices the special place for music even on a morning when the quartette are not with us.

The segment "Ministry of Music - Carol Weaver and Friends" hopefully will include Chris Parker, an early friend of Camp Fircom and Camp Moorecroft. Chris is an accomplished musician and her heart is very much at the centre of church camping.

Significantly, she was a member of a folk group springing from Lynn Valley United Church, North Vancouver in the 1960s. And do you know who was her leader? Beth Jennings, who now is on staff with us here at First United Church.

Hopefully Chris will be able to participate in our special music event on the evening of Sunday Nov. 26.

The music dimension of our day is enhanced by the presence of Gilmore Park United Church choir on broadcast tonight, under the direction of Mr. John White.

Art will make a return visit to Gilmore Park Church at its 10.30 A.M. Sunday worship service on Nov. 26th.

Sparking of the evening of the 26th, we are getting good responses from other United Churches in the Lower Mainland to our invitations to them to attend our worship/concert featuring pianist-vocalist Louise Rose. Someone was saying we might have to open up the sanctuary gallery for the numbers who are saying they will be attending!

An important and far reaching dimension of our ministry here is visitation. Ray Tingley is encouraging lay volunteers to get involved in visiting those who are "captives" in their own homes or rooms. Here is his report:

"since returning from his holiday on October 1st, Ray has made 190 calls, primarily on the sick and the shut-ins. On Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, making 22 calls, he visited Ann Farrell at the Centennial, now at home recovering from

FIRST UNITED CHURCH

BROADCAST

It's A GIFT

But now, God's way of putting people right with himself has been revealed. By the free gift of God's grace all are put right with him through Christ Jesus who sets them free

These are a couple of lines from the 3rd chapter of ROMANS as translated in the Good News Bible

The Revised Standard Version: — needs
since all have sinned and fall short
of the glory of God, they are justified by
his grace AS A GIFT

All This Fall:

Whenever I faced the task of preaching,
I found myself interested in spending a little
time with each of several language families that are
used in the Bible ~~to describe~~ the Christian message.

As the early Christian writers and speakers
were trying to utter matters that they found entirely
NEW to their experience they had a language problem —
How could you say what you meant & felt?
~~How could you~~ use language — already had its meanings & feelings
to convey something New: —

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Reached for different languages

- new word → listener gets some meaning & interest.

prob use several
Different languages: →

+ New
Any danger of losing sharp insights -
central to Xa Faith - message

ALREADY DISTORTED
WATERED DOWN
TURNED AROUND } CENTRAL
Xa MESSAGE

SPEND A LITTLE WHILE WITH THESE
LANGUAGES -

CALL
JUSTIFICATION
RECONCILIATION
LIBERATION
DYING + RISING
GIFT

TOUCH -

GIFT

Its own way of cutting to the heart of it

- GOD has a New Way - Putting us Right with
Himself

+ We are justified by his Grace as a GIFT

What kind of Light? - Xa pilgrimage:

arrival → pleased ourselves. no one else is
outside → love for peace, joy, friendship
promised. not for us -

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Christian Goodness Salvation

Getting right ways with God & The World
IS GIFT

TURVED THAT AROUND:

1
PURCHASE

Earned it & have to earn it. What how gave
-- not Received.
day it a gift →

2
BEING

Strings:

NO STRINGS -

Turned around Many of stuff - got strings.
- not permitted it to be Gift - obligations →
→ NOT GIFT - ~~Strings~~ - Bible

COST:- Goodness - Salvation - Getting RW - God + world

COSTLY -

GIFT GIVEN - LOVE OF WORLD
- LOVE OF SINNERS

3 NO TITLE:

→ NOT REALLY YOURS.

→ not to receive in it

- reject the Gift. Nothing around here
that I haven't earned

NOT
RECEIVE

↓

Basic Given: X in Goodness
Salvation

Getting right ways with God & The World

Feel it's not ours → don't receive it when we love it

size

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or: We ne Respectus a Giff.