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10.30 A.M.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 1979

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 235 (240) "Thou Whose Almighty Word"
Invocation
Unison Reading 523
Solo: Lynn Morrison
Installation
Scripture Lessons: II Corinthians 6: 1-10
Matthew 4: 1-11
Quartette: "Lord, for Thy tender mercies' sake"
(School of Tyne)

Free as a Bird

Prayer
Hymn No. 100 "O Love how deep"
Sermon RECEIVE NOT THE GRACE OF GOD IN VAIN
Rev. M.J.V. Shaver
Prayer
Offering - Prayer, Offertory, Doxology
The Life and Work of the Church
Hymn No. 30 (17) "Praise my soul the King of heaven"
Benediction
Organ Postlude

"GO OUT TO SERVE"

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today,
and invite you to an informal coffee hour following both
services.

Evening Broadcast
(Heard on CKWX at 8 p.m.)

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 23 (25) "The God of Abraham" (Leoni)
Prayer of Invocation
Solo: Lynn Morrison
Scripture: Selected
Quartette: "Jesus, Lamb of God, Redeemer" Mozart
Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (sung)
Quartette: "He's got the whole world in His hands"
Sermon FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Rev. A.J. Griffin
Prayer
Hymn No. 257 (296) "Jesus Thy boundless love" (Surrey)
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary
Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements
Hymn No. 240 (248) "Breathe on me..." (Trentham)
Blessing
Organ Postlude

Next Sunday, March 11, 1979 -
10.30 A.M. - Rev. A.J. Griffin
7.00 P.M. - Rev. M.J.V. Shaver

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FIRST UNITED CHURCH SUNDAY MARCH 4 1979

10:30 AM

Receive ~~not~~ The Grace of God in Vain

Sometimes I get working on some God-stuff and that puts me on a search for some Biblical notions to address the struggle.

Sometimes the selected Passages for the Sunday as proposed by one lectionary or another set some God-stuff going.

That's the way it was this week.

2 Cor passage - just follows
God was in X recently waded with himself

Receive not Grace of God in Vain. -

That's a lot of God stuff right there.

- justification by Grace
- Salvation by Grace
- Sobriety by Grace - a Gift:
- Acceptance of God - a Gift

course - whole - healed etc etc

Receive Not Grace of God in Vain - Monthly

Passage - } in Brussels
 } Bob to Bob,

Chie!

Light!

addresser Problem

II Cor - 6:1-10 gifts - achieved Thine of grace -

→ new sound

in honour + dishonour

ill repute + good repute

treated as imposters - yet as true

as unknown - yet well known

as dying - behold we live

as punished - yet not killed

sorrowful - yet always rejoicing

as poor - yet making many rich

having nothing - yet possessing everything

Trouble Becoming the grace of God: -

it doesn't look like it - Don't know what

- confused - dishonour

(see it)

} ill repute

} imposters

} dying punished sorrowful

} poor & having nothing

Matt. 11
Temptation

(S219e)

INCLUDED ³ TO SEE AS SIGNS
OF GOD'S GRACE

Abundance -

Power to provide abundance.

Tricks: - - ability to come up with
proofs.

indications - I'll show you

POWER - SUCCESS:

seen how as the Devil's own
Temptations.

So that you Receive Not Grace of God in your

People who have been given you.

significant Others - however disastrous the
(Parent + Children) history of relationships they have been

TASKS - - Daily exertions of our Calling.

Interruptions: -

Cares -

got to go

Soft wall care enters your back

Things you don't lose

as well as the things you have.

All the combination of things that just you are ->
- Don't receive that gift in vain.

Who CAN KNOW

What unlikely or likely element in our lives will turn out to be the means of Grace.

Don't pass up God's Gift of himself because he comes in a form you don't recognize.