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FIRST UNITED CHURCH BROADCAST FOR SUNDAY 13 1980

Music Introduction Tocatta & Fuge in D Minor
BACH ORGAN FAVORITES side 1 Band 1

Introduction. This is First Church Sunday Night. I'm Jack Shaver and following the magazine portion of the program I will be conducting a worship service. I would also like to make a couple of appeals before we get into tonight's interview. 1:00

First United Church has need of a couple of wheel chairs as well as a walker or two, and we also get many calls for canes.

We are also interested in a new ^{group} programme in the downtown Eastside which is launching a casual labour placement programme. This organization needs a collection of hard hats, rain gear, work gloves and work boots. If you can be of help in any of these matters call the church at 681-8365.

And now here is Art Griffin with tonight's interview.

1st half interview with Gordon Byers 6:15 7:15
..... you certainly have left your mark... .. maybe what we should do is take a break for a moment and talk about the latter years after some music.

Music Just Dust and Ashes 3:00 10:15
SING ROUND THE YEAR Side 2 Band 15 (6)

2nd half of interview with Gordon Byers 7:05 17:20
.... what do you think of the church's future?.....
... thank you so much for being with us.....

Music... same theme as opener
BACH ORGAN Favorites Side 1 Band 1

Call to Worship :45 18:05

Hymn Holy Holy Holy
T4 Favorite Hymns Augustana Choir 2:27 20:32
Side 2 Band 3

Invocation and programme identification 2:00 22:32

Anthem O Praise The Lord Of Heaven Early American Vocal Music 3:50 26:22
Side 1 Band 8

Hebrew Scripture Isaiah 66: 10-14a 1:00 27:22

Anthem Sing Ye Unto The Lord A New Song Wartburg College Choir 2:25 29:47
Side 2 Band 4

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Epistle and Gospel	Galations 6: 1-10, 14-16	3:20	33:00
	Luke 10: 1- 9		
Hymn	<u>My Faith Looks Up To Thee</u> T4 Favorite Hymns -The Augustana Choir	3:15	33:20
Prayer	and Lord's Prayer	2:30	33:50
Anthem	<u>Judas And Mary</u> Sing Round the Year Side 2 Band 12 (3)	2:40	41:30
Sermon	You Must Preach Says Luther Like A Mother, Suckles Her Young	10:00	51:30
Hymn	<u>Thine Is The Glory</u> T4 Favorite Hymns -The Augustana Choir	3:37	55:10
Benediction			
Organ Postlude			

Sign off This has been First United Church Sunday Night. Jack Shaver conducted the worship service. Stay tuned for Sunday Magazine with Allen Crew which follows the News to 9:00 on on CKWX Supercountry.

Call to Worship

For the next 40 minutes, people all over
British Columbia and Washington will join
together in worship.

You're included

You're included in the promises we're
called to talk about.

You're included because until we have
found each other we are all lost.

You're included because as we draw
near to God we are drawn to each other,
join us as we worship.

We have First Hymn — ~~Holy~~ Holy Holy
Lord God Almighty

INVOCATION

ALMIGHTY GOD, we recall something
about the eye of sinful man not being able
to see your glory, and we think we know
something about the darkness hiding you.

We'd be going about this worship in
a very different way if we had your glory straight
if we thought to be glorious what you take
to be GLORY.

That's where this worship needs to begin
-- with our confession that something needs to
be done about our darkness - or or blindness
whatever it is

Father, hear our call in the dark
Father — come to us —→

This is First United Church Broadcast of worship.
I'm Jack Shaner and I'll be preaching
later on. The Sermon Title is

"YOU MUST PREACH" SAYS LUTHER "AS A
MOTHER SUCKLES HER CHILD."

Because our summer broadcasts of worship
are studio-produced we use recorded music.
The Hymns Tonight are sung by The
Augustana Choir.

And for the Anthems, I decided
to make a virtue out of necessity and share
some music that we would never be able
to hear when we are broadcasting from our
Church at Hastings and Gore.

We hear first a Thanksgiving Anthem from New
England. The composer is a Mr. William Billings,
a Boston tanner whose dates are 1746-1800.

O PRAISE THE LORD OF HEAVEN. sung by
The Western Wind Vocal Ensemble.

Anthems: O Praise The Lord of Heaven.

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The lesson from The Hebrew Scriptures
is found in the 66th Chapter of Isaiah
beginning at verse 10.

We turn now to Europe and the 16th
century to a composer by the name of
Giovanni Nanino. The Wartburg College
Choir sings / Sing ye unto The Lord a
New Song →

Antiphon - Sing Ye Unto The Lord A New Song.

EPISTLE The Epistle lesson is found in The 6th Chapter of Galatians - the first 10 verses - and verses 14-16

GOSPEL: Hear the Holy Gospel - as it is found in the 10th Chapter of Luke beginning at verse one.

~~Prayer.~~ May God speak to our hearts through his word and to him be the honour & Praise Amen.

HYMN My Faith looks up to Thee

Prayer. Mother & Father of All

Hear the prayers of the people gathered by this sound and let their cries come unto you. create of us a single people that each one may know his & her prayer lifted by the others.

We lift up those who hurt, who dwell in lonely darkness. whose struggles seem known by no one else and whose failures seem important to no one else. encompass them with your steadfast love. Meet all those abandoned ones. Call each one by name

We bring all the seeking and asking Out there. all the longing and searching and all the giving up on all that -

Grant refreshment and rest, Restore life to the weary, courage to the fearful, and meaning to the empty.

We lift up all the caring and burden bearing out there. Teach us all the uplifting glory of your love of the world. Acquaint us again with your light burden and your easy yoke and gather all those we love in your arms.

By your wondrous grace, Deal with our sin. This previous burden takes so many forms and all our own cues continue to confound us and prevent us from seeing your accepting face.

And now as our Savior has taught us
We say

Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever
Amen.

Anthems

We turn now to a Modern Composer
Sidney Carter who wrote both the words
and music of this next piece. Both
words & music have the authentic style
of an ageless Folk song. You may
recognize the voice of the Soloist - it
is Donald Swan is probably better known
for his brilliant comedy bits than for
his interest in Church Choral Music.
I find this a delightful and moving
composition - Most appropriate for
a FIRST CHURCH SUNDAY NIGHT
Broadcast.

Donald Swan sings Sidney Carter's
JUDAS + MARY.

Sermon

You Must preach Says Father as a Mother Buckle Her Girth

~~Examine it~~ - Would you believe that's a quotation from the same Dr. Martin who nailed those theses on a church door. Who is seen as the cause of an enormous controversy in the history of the Christian Church?

In case we are inclined to think he invented the metaphor in his attempt to express the essence of God's final intentions for the world - let us recall the lesson from Isaiah. In ~~attempting~~ ^{real} to describe God's intentions for ~~church~~ this preacher says 1 -

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her,
all you who love her,
Rejoice with her in joy
all you who mourn over her
that you may suck and be satisfied
with her consoling breasts,
that you may drink deeply with delight
from the abundance of her glory.

For thus says the Lord:

Behold I will extend prosperity to her like
a river.

And the wealth of the nations like an
overflowing stream

and you shall suck, and you shall be
carried upon her hip

and claudied upon her breasts.

As one whom his mother comforts,
so I will comfort you.

One is reminded of that line from the Creation story in Genesis. → Verse 27 of the 1st Chapter

"So God created man in his own image.

in the image of God he created him:

Male & Female he created them"

You haven't got the image of God

until you've got Male & Female.

It was these Female metaphors which stood out ^{for me} from the 3 readings the lecturer names for this seventh Sunday in Pentecost.

I suppose there is no where in all the world where that picture would not be appreciated of the Mother carrying her infant on her hip.

And of course it recalled for me that Quotation from LUTHER.

I first came upon that quotation in the writing of Eric Erikson. He was a psychoanalyst-sociologist who became a Yale professor. I think he was a deep Theologian as well. He wrote a book called Young Man Luther in which he tried to understand the essence of the gift. Luther brought humanity when the light of the Biblical message broke through into his dark & troubled search for reconciliation with God.

Erikson used the metaphors he had learned from his psychoanalysis training which set forth the basic & primal components in the formation

of a human being.

The Mother's accepting face:-

The Father's No :-

I find the notions very convincing and illuminating that you just don't become human unless both components have been operating.

And I find the metaphor illuminating of the nature of the human problem.

That's why we're ~~get~~ trouble being human.

The way Erickson describes Luther's breakthroughs to the good news of justification by Grace.

He found the Mother's accepting face } over the
& Father's No } same Being.

What is ultimately $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{real} \\ \text{creating} \\ \text{genuine} \end{array} \right\}$ BOTH $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Judging} \\ + \\ \text{accepting} \end{array} \right\}$

That is the kind of Pivotal word we're been given to proclaim.

Can you imagine - that's what preaching is ~~all~~ about!

That's not what the word means in our common use of it.

OK now don't start preaching →

don't start telling me what to do.

don't take on the task of putting everyone right.

Can you imagine preaching that is like a mother feeding her young?

carrying her child on her hips?

Dandling her infant on her knee?

But that's what preaching is about!

even the controversies →

There is no denying that the Bible writings are full of controversy. That's why the writings which became the books of the N.T. were written in because the early church was in controversy people were constantly in conflict over getting the message right.

During this season in the Church Calendar following Pentecost the Epistle readings are all taken from Paul's letter to the Galatians. That's why Paul wrote the letter, because he was upset over the people getting the message wrong.

They were adding this & neglecting that and they weren't hearing that the judge & acceptor were one in the same being.

There's no denying that there is lots of talk in the Bible about putting right: - Indeed 'Putting Right' is a central Biblical word, it's often translated justify. That's what the Galatian letter is all about, trying to put right how human beings ~~become~~ their justifications - it's God who justifies as a gift.

There's lots of judgment in the Bible.

Indeed it contains a radical doctrine of sin.

But put right, The Biblical doctrine of sin

is not a put-down, It is a penetrating understanding of the human predicament.

it takes my responsibility and therefore my dignity as a person seriously. It penetrates to what's at the root of my fouling up all the time.

Because that Biblical message addresses the root of my foul ups it addresses my deepest hunger.

You must preach, says Luther as a mother suckles her young.

All the rest of it - is so that can happen.

Advice to the 70 recorded in Luke 10:

a lot of the same material the other time addressed to the 12 in order that they can hear

→ The Kingdom of God has come near.

— when you shall suck, when you shall be carried upon her hip — when you shall be dandled upon her knee →

Dear Troubled Paul — perhaps the chief controversialist of the NT. closes the Galatians letter.

If a man is overladen in a trespass before him.

Bear one another burdens;

If you think you are something →

you are not going to be the means whereby people hear this word.

The word gives →

God is not mocked — reaps what you sow.

No one is going to bar — It is God who justifies from people who justify themselves.

From people who grow weary in well doing.

From people who glory in anything but the
Cross of Christ.

Let the writing
and struggle to get a sound theology.
all that concern for right & wrong procedures.
is out of any consequence.
if it makes real the announcement of a
New creation.

You must preach says Luther as a mother
suckles her young.

As one whom his mother comforts
so I will comfort you.
You shall see & your heart shall rejoice
your bones shall flourish like grass
And it shall be known that the Hand of the Lord
is with his servants.

Let us pray - What word you have for
our hearts O God - give us ears to
hear. Amen

HYMN - THINE IS THE GLORY

Benediction: The Grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ. The Love of God & The
Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us
all now & always. ~