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Ministers:
Rev. A. J. Griffin
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10.30 A.M.

Morning Worship

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 23 "The God of Bethlehem Praise"
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 60: 12 - 14
Philippians 3: 17 - 4:1
John 18: 28 - 40
Hymn No. 253 (336) "Be Thou My Vision"
Sermon Ms. Linda Green
Hymn No. 109 (86) "When I survey the wondrous Cross"
Prayer
Offertory
Doxology
Announcements
Hymn No. 268 (438) "Lead us, Heavenly Father"
Benediction
Organ Postlude

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

Organists:
A.M. Mr. David Gibson
P.M. Mrs. Eleanor Bush

7.00 P.M.

Evening Broadcast
(Heard over CKWX at 8:00 P.M.)

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 40 (14) "Praise to the Holiest in the
height" (Tune Gerontius)
Invocation
Ministry of Music Handel: Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy. Solo Ron White
Scripture Lessons: I Corinthians 10: 1-13
Luke 13: 1 - 9
Ministry of Music Krumpholtz: Teach Me To Wonder
Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (sung)
Ministry of Music - Wolff - Let us with Gladness
Sermon "THESE THINGS HAPPENED TO THEM"
AS A WARNING" Rev. Jack Shaver Solo Ian McEwen
Hymn No. 100 "O Love, how deep" vs. 1,2,3,5,7
Benediction
Offering - Prayer - Offertory - Doxology
Announcements
Hymn No. 110 (102) "We sing the praise of Him who
died" (Tune Rockingham No.109)

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Benediction
Postlude

Next Sunday, March 16 : 10.30 a.m. Rev. Ray Tingley
7.00 p.m. Rev. Art Griffin

SHAWNEE US, CHOR

Dennis Tapscott

Eleanor Bush

Call to worship

They that wait upon the Lord.

Shall renew ~~their~~ strength.

They shall mount up with wings like eagles

They shall run and not be weary

They shall walk & not faint.

Join us in holding out for that promise, and in searching
out the centre of our repetitions of that gift - for
one the one God is seeking to reconcile to himself
and so on &c.

Hymn 40

Invocation

OUR Father

We have all kinds of stuff to straighten
out.

Both in us, and between us.

And between us and others.

We've got some time now

We mean to give up some time now

~~Visit us.~~

Make yourself known

Call each one of us by name

VISIT US:- Through J.C. our Lord

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These Things Happened To Them as a Warning

I'm ready to admit that it took a long time to come upon anything I was moved to preach about as I worked with the readings listed for this third Sunday in Lent.

I Traced all the References to other passages in the Bible

I read & reread the parts of the document leading up

to the text & following the texts

* Author's Flow of Thought

Editorial comments & he ^{organized} ~~revised~~ has material

- I struggled with what came of setting the two passages side by side.

Finally

What came was a Double Thrust:-

The more I thought about it
The more they belonged together

1. Life confronts us with lots of evidence that disaster follows evil desire.

2. Don't equate all disaster with Punishment;

1. ^{Push} ~~that~~ ~~that~~ - ~~all~~ ^{not} Punishment
Benefit God disposed as People
God was not pleased - Warning
2. ~~Jesus~~ ^{Jesus} refers to a couple of Disasters - ~~Warning~~ ^{Warning}
- ~~Warning~~ ^{Warning} - ~~Warning~~ ^{Warning} - WARNING

Plain Truth

Double Thrust

— set around
for a long time

Before I addressed anything very important
with my Range ~~W~~ WORD.

ERIC ERICSSON'S

penetrates analogy of the human body

→ fundamental
→ DESIRE

← fundamental
deep NO demand

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~~Threaten~~ the Circle of Threat ^{conducts}
~~after~~ one destroys you ^{tells person}
or the rest of us

Neither Desire → Nor Bad conscience
= God.

Number of People & Groups of People

How does true wish feel that I desire

1: - Me generation

→ Havoc →

Self Fulfillment
wish no harm to anyone

Big yes to all Desire
without ordering to desire

Big Havoc to others

+ Desire lives
upon itself

Self Desires Destructs

Pain & Disaster
Desolation

Desires

is not getting approached
ordered.

That's There for a warning

- some of that pain is there because you are leaning on a hot stool.
 - some of that discomfort is there ^{personally as well as well} because you are flying in the face of the order of the universe.
- a sense of touch that flashes pain when you are getting burned is a handy thing to have around.

2. The other Part of This Double Threat.
 all disaster is not punishment.
 Bad conscience isn't God either.
~~A Bad conscience can be as destructive~~
 All the "NO's" in our life are not God's
 NO's.
 A Bad conscience can be as destructive
 as FORN DESIRE.
Maybe worse -

Bad conscience can be ~~one of~~ the most
 severe ^{sin} ~~Victim~~ ^{Victim} ~~that~~ is.
 Drives people to do the most vicious things
 to themselves and others.

It's what's at the root of countless
 physical disaster & punishment
 (I don't wish the Lord might could work for
 me)

people punish themselves with illness.

If a liberating word
could be heard to even one person
about his or her ~~Negative~~ Conscience.

Only some of our self ~~condemnation~~
condemnation is
appropriate.

The kind of misery — NOT punishment
at God's ~~power~~ presence feeling

WARNING —

(yes) — even the best of us could
be messing it up for others

can be good news: —

working among those

innocent
blameless

} That's why
your messing
up of people
would be disastrous