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Ministers
Rev. A. J. Griffin
Rev. M. J. V. Shaver

10.30 A.M.

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 14 (668) "O Sing a New Song to the Lord"
Invocation Prayer
Unison Reading 742 (Hymnary) Psalm 139
Scripture Lessons: 11 Corinthians 4: 1-18
John 3: 1-21
Hymn No. 355 (199) "We Love the Place O God"
Prayer
Hymn No. 114 (502) "What a Friend we have in Jesus"
Sermon "THE FIRST SUNDAY IN CREATION"
Rev. Jack Shaver
Prayer, Offering, Doxology
Announcements
Hymn No. 100 "O Love how Deep"
Benediction
Organ Postlude

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Our lovely summer bids us goodbye as the season of early fall moves in upon us. Amidst the change of weather there has been a considerable change in our First United Church setting: Lonely without Jennie Jones around who gave this place such a feeling of permanence; we mourn the passing of Pearl Oates who has so quietly and effectively served the cause here, familiar faces and voices which have led our music so long and faithfully have moved on to other endeavours.

May we take this opportunity to thank our former quartette Shirley Telford, Marjorie Wight, Tom Mawson and Gerry Britland, for their very proficient and professional services to us. It will seem strange for a while to accustom ourselves to the beat of different drummers.

Tonight we return to the sanctuary for our evening broadcast after a summer of studio based evening services. Again, let us thank Linda Ervin and her bevy of "recruits" who have led us so well in our weekly summer evening services in the chapel.

FIRST UNITED CHURCH
320 East Hastings Street
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1979

EVENING BROADCAST SERVICE
(Heard over CKWX at 8:00 P.M.)

7:00 P.M.

Organ Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn No. 1 (29) "All Creatures" v. 1,2,5
Prayer of Invocation
Scripture Readings: Luke 6: 27-36
7: 11-17
Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
Sermon "The Golden Rule-is it enough?"
Rev. Art Griffin
Prayer
Hymn No. 440 (98) "Beneath the Cross"
(Tune: St. Christopher)
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary
--- off the air ---
The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements
Hymn No. 370 (214) "Saviour Again" (Tune: Ellers)
Blessing
Organ Postlude

Our thoughts and prayers will be with Bill Hennessy who at the end of this week, will be entering hospital for surgery. It will be a week of post-operation recovery in hospital and 3 weeks convalescence at home.

We welcome as our new director of music Mr. Len Lythgoe for Sunday evening broadcasts. We hope to announce the organist selection shortly. Those of us who attend morning worship services will, as we did during the summer, be dependent upon ourselves for music singing resource.

A signal that the fall season has returned is the announcement that our Official Board will meet on Thursday Sept. 20th at 8:00 P.M. By the way, let's get our Observer envelopes into the offering plate as soon as possible. Extra envelopes are on the rear narthex table.

Call to Worship:

Good morning - we're here, that's a fact.

A lot of things brought us here.

I'm not sure we can be certain what these things are.

But whatever they are, the assumption of this meeting is that God is using these things to call us to gather.

--- That God can work the fact of our being here into a meeting with Him.

Hymn 14

INVOCATION:

Our Father - Thou have been

times when the door opened so that we heard it and the angels clasped their hands so that we joined them.

But it is not exactly a state we are sustained in.

When we reject your grace overlook us, when we abuse your judgment punish our delinquency, when we ignore your call pursue us.

We think we're brave enough, or fast enough to be still and know that you are dead, though Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN CREATION

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When I looked at the calendar. The FIRST SUNDAY
and now that Sunday September 9 was the FIRST SUNDAY
in Creation. There was suddenly no way I could
pass up that sermon title.

How could I pass up the chance that
this would be a creation Sunday.

And then at last Sunday Evening's Chapel service

Agnes Carr showed the opening line on a little card
she had picked up. It went something like this -
"If you're having trouble with your corn, weed
your like to be born again?"

I find that an unnecessary question,
Incidentally - I find it an unnecessary question.

As I get older it becomes increasingly
necessary that I get created again. - that, what
creates me - puts me on my feet for a fore
with the word about me - heads were a word
to be the genuine stuff of creation. - I should
in what cannot be overcome.

Then one time a speaker said
to total recall of the first occasion I occurred

to me, upon reading John Chapter 3, that Nicodemus

would find have been speaking words and

not immediately when he asked Jesus, "How can
a man be born when he is old? Can he enter
a second time into his mother's womb. and
be born?" I have no idea whether I am

transferring my own feeling into Nicodemus

But I couldn't have asked it like to
get into a state where nothing about it seemed

that would prevent it as good enough.

Remember, by the way, that

previous pages deal with
and focuses back into sermon title.

See what happens to this premise
when we accept our scripture lessons for
comment.

1. Where was the Metaphor of the Wind?
Born of the Spirit.

Where it comes from where it goes?
- not going to know just what track you are
- from again

2. Teacher of words - words have heard
about of God -

- an element missing. Word is missing

3. Love of the word.
for all the argument of word.
not rejection.

4. Lifting up Son of Man.
God who confronts us in Jesus.
- always - the love to be like
- God gets to us in Jesus.
- Creation gets to us in him

5. One reason doesn't come off.
The Right Response to God
Mind to those who are possibly

6. Little closely to spiritual - Fear of death is spread
which the one of God or not

7. God of this world + Blind to the world
God who loves the world

8. - born about the death of Jesus - in the body
- spread distinction to the world that
- the body must live
9. Father's world -
+ frequently - broken
Controlling at the same time

10. of God

Unborn

Unborn - Surprised.