

FIRST UNITED CHURCH
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 1981

Ministers:
Rev. J. J. Cashore
Rev. M. J. V. Shaver

10:30 A.M.

Worship Service
Second Sunday After Christmas
(Please Leave Sanctuary in Darkness)

THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH GATHERS

Silent Preparation:

God's love stays constant. Even in the bleak and trying moments of our existence. God's love is alive. It is like a star; it remains fixed and firm and shining. God is never far from any of us.

Organ Preludes: "Vater Unser im Himmelreich: J. S. Bach
"Liebster Jesu, Win Sind Hier" J. S. Bach

Call to Worship:

Leader: Arise, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord is upon you.

Community: Out of darkness comes light and hope.

Leader: The Word became flesh.

Community: The Word dwells among us full of grace and truth.

Leader: "I am the Alpha and Omega" said the Lord, who is, who was, who is to come.

Community: Praise be to the God of Life!

(Please turn on cross floods.)

Passing of The Peace (Please greet one another.)
Gathering Song

TO ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE

Prayer of Approach

Hymn of Praise - No. 425 "Down to Earth, as a Dove"

Moments of Friendship

Ministry of Music "My Lord is Waiting in the Garden"
Mr. and Mrs. David Nancekivell

Organists:
A.M. Mr. Peter Janson
P.M. Mrs. Eleanor Bush

7:00 P.M.

Evening Broadcast
(Heard over CKWX at 8:00 P.M.)
Second Sunday in Christmas

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn No. 415 (47) "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Invocation

Broadcast Identification

Ministry of Music "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"

Donald Swan

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 3

Ephesians 1: 15 - 18

John 1: 1 - 18

Ministry of Music "Sanctus"

Clemens Non Papa

Prayer and Lord's Prayer (sung)

Ministry of Music "Every Star Shall Sing a Carol"

Sidney Carter

Sermon "THE HOPE TO WHICH YOU ARE CALLED"

Rev. Jack Shaver

Hymn No. 44 (112) "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Darwall

Benediction (off the air)

Offering: Prayer, Offertory, Doxology

Announcements

Hymn No. 114 (502) "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Benediction

Organ Postlude

The music tonight is being presented by the Vancouver Youth Chorale under the direction of Mr. Len Lythgoe.

Next Sunday

10:30 A.M. Rev. John Cashore (Communion)

7:00 P.M. Ms. Bonny Smith

II Christmas.

The Hope to which you are called:-

All three readings for today
are pretty cheerful

Isaiah passage -

The Lord is going to bring
righteousness out of this people
so that others will stand
around in amazement.

Epistle reading:-

a little people remembered
in a prayer that the eyes
of their hearts would be
enlightened

know the hope to which he has called you
revels of his glorious inheritance
in the saints

Gospel Reading - John - Prologue

John - Jesus story.

Word of God - heart - instrument of

all creation -

Become flesh - dwelt among us

we behold his glory.

Full of grace & truth.

not out

Cheerful

worth being cheerful about.

Lord is up to bringing righteousness
out of our situation:-

What is depressing - about our lives

what goes on our church? -

not doing right.

going right? - substantially in it.

(1)

First Church:

+ poetry -

+ alcohol -

+ 200 week notes

Victims of
Language
Chances
Speech

(2)

Not getting any better

person
community
world

Nope

(3)

Quies up as flesh world: -

Quit believing in us
on stage.

Would be something to get cheerful

about -

Top
downward
- } = spray of righteousness
+ spray of love
- } spray + believe in flesh world.

all 3 things - clear

God who is up to that →

1. God's activity in history is all about.

Establishing his righteousness -

God's activity - distant from ours

Strays ago

have looked
reaches it

Social coming & going of ideas

Revised control with society proper

- God should not be known by

- caught up reflecting upon results of famous
behavioural experiment.

- Block -

(Jack)

past power

→ Humans are not

flesh world - nothing / merely animals

→ We need to do a lot to do: →

all this evidence to the contrary

- have supreme value
Value closer to: required in
data

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II

Believe in Flesh & World : -
God believes in it.

God believes in ~~you~~
World Become Flesh.. we behold by Gorp
& Truth.

We have First Fruit } Believe you are
Sourate . } believed in .
→

in Trust of another.

Broken as that is bound to be -

That fragment itself a miracle } Spring of
that re-creation of our Faith } HOPE
In Truth, Reality. The metaphor that worked best.

Garden : -

as the earth brings forth it shocks.

as a garden causes what is sown
in it to spring up. -

That's how God works ~~righteousness~~ in a people

Fail in us & branches.

promise of our inheritance in the seeds
kept alive.

We're not held responsible
for growth -

calibration } use of the means of God
watering
weeding
fencing }

Growth is God's mysterious work
even Growth in Regeneration is God's mysterious
work