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FIRST UNITED CHURCH
320 East Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

11:00 A. M.

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 1974

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

The Praise of God

The Call to Worship

Hymn: 29 (9) "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Prayer of Invocation
Unison Reading: Psalm 90 (720 in Old Hymnary)
The Gloria
Quartette: "Be Thou My Guardian And My Guide" Ley

The Word of God

The Reading from Scripture: I Corinthians 3: 18 - 4: 5
Matthew 13: 1 - 9
Hymn: 233 (239) "O Spirit of the living God"
Sermon: "Establish Thou The Work of Our Hands"
Rev. Jack Shaver

Our Response to God's Word

Prayer
Soloist: Beth McNairn
Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
Offering - Dedication Prayer - Doxology
The Life and Work of The Church
Hymn: 253 (336) "Be thou my vision,"
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Postlude

"GO OUT TO SERVE"

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TODAY everyone is invited to share in a FAMILY LUNCH following this morning's Service, at 12:30 p.m., in the Gym-Hall. Rev. R. A. (Bob) Burrows has recently been appointed Commissioner of the newly-formed B. C. Police Commission and will be starting his new job July 1st. At this lunch we will be able to express our appreciation to Bob for his ministry of the last 8 years and to offer him our good wishes for the future.

7:00

EVENING BROADCAST on CKWX
(heard at 8:00 p. m.)

CHORAL SERVICE

Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship
Choral Introit: "God Be In My Head" Sir Walford I
Hymn: 23 "The God Of Bethlehem Praise"
Prayer of Invocation
Welcome and Announcements
Quartette: "Sing Alleluia Forth" Eric I
Solo: "If With All Your Hearts" F. Mendels
The Reading from Scripture
Quartette: "This Is Jesus" Spiritual, arr.
Quartette: "Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace" Wil
Solo: "If We Only Have Love" J.

Tom Mawson

Prayer
Quartette: "Two Wings" Spiritual, arr. Joh
Quartette: "To Thee Jehovah" J.S.
Reading
Duet: "O Lovely Peace" G.F. F
Beth McNairn and Risa Cameron
Quartette: "My Sweet Jesus" Eric
Reading and Comment
Quartette: "Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring" J.S.
Prayer
Hymn: 370 (214) "Saviour, again to thy dear name"
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary

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(Off the Air)

The Offering - Dedication Prayer - Doxology
The Blessing and Organ Postlude

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In Luke's description of the last supper that Jesus ate with the apostles there is this grabby line.

— "With desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer"

We have a deep human longing
to MARK partings,
milestones

the coming to an end of era's

Doesn't always come off →

— the time dribbles ~~by~~ without gathering into an event.

— piece-meal realizations don't happen
~~to us all at the same time~~
to enough of us at once.

— the event isn't appropriate.

— its spokesman is stupid or shallow
unemersed in the reality of the
history and relationships to
be celebrated.

① We can count on the Desire

② Regular Morning Worship
is as close as we are going to come
to an appropriate event.

I believe we can.
③ Mark The Realization
of the Depth and Significance
of the Burrows Sojourn with
this Institution and congregation
ONLY an attempt at some kind
of theological reflection will
be adequate.

Seems to me

We Don't Contemplate the recognition
of the closing of a MINISTRY
which is THIS DEMANDING
- THIS DEEPLY MEANT

without evoking a cry - VERY MUCH like
the Psalms - Establish these the work
bow heads, yes the work of our hands establish that it

"Deeply Meant Ministry"

I'm thinking of a Number of Things

- Depth of Commitment -

also with —

variety genuinely caring people
committed to each other and to
a ministry to people

- vanail of people who have come
and gone over the years, learned
a deep trust while also fairly
and betraying one another

- Depth of Commitment

calls forth unique + unpredictable
responses as awareness ~~is~~ open
to the actual realities in the community.

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a Demanding Minister

I am thinking of a number of things.

- requires unique and varied shells
- presenting the servant with such hunt and need that ~~other~~ easy solutions do not exist.
- so called success cannot be counted on as the laborer's just reward
- a necessity in which it is inevitable that you fail & betray.

ONE CAN'T BE THAT COMMITTED

TO THAT DEMANDING A MINISTRY

And at the same time avoid self delusion
without the TRUST that

without the TRUST that God will release

the work your hands - Could - DISTURB

ONE CAN'T ~~negotiate~~ - The Regency & Executive to over participate
in such a much - Pro's again see the word you (and elaborate how

is such a mistake - Pigg's again ^{is} the worst for (and selected the)

PAUL

POTS IT ANOTHER WAY

although when you check out the rest of his correspondence you become aware that he does not always maintain his high state of faith

- doesn't matter how you judge me -
- " " " I judge myself
- God who judges -
- Not now -

DON'T LIVE by Success

Live by Faithfulness

WORD - create such faithfulness in
Parables of our Lord.

PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Blessing of Exegesis - Likes Parables -

NOT device to make obscure - otherwise he'd be clear
Rather - " Blessing in with the clear word
- unexpected.

starts with something you know all about.
makes a connection that surprises

* we sweat about how the Kingdom is going -
Nolly's happening -

Hey you guys - you know all about Sowing
some how some there Broadcast - cross eh?

What makes the kind of Ministry going on around here
a place where you can be faithful -

Realization : - SOWING is going on
here - for real.