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Ministers
Rev. Glen W. Baker

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

11:00 A. M.

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

The Praise of God

The Call to Worship
Hymn: 35 (44) "Ye servants of God"
Prayer of Invocation
Unison Reading: 734 (Old Hymnary)
The Gloria
Quartette: "Who Were These Men?"

Eric Wild

The Word of God

The Reading from Scripture: Genesis 1: 26 - 2: 7
Hymn: 235 (240) "Thou whose almighty word"
Sermon: "Dust And Divinity"
Rev. Ray Tingley

Our Response to God's Word

Prayer
Soloist: Gerald Britland
Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
Offering - Dedication Prayer - Doxology
The Life and Work of The Church
Hymn: 343 (297) "Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts"
The Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Postlude

"GO OUT TO SERVE"

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WELCOME - We extend a sincere welcome to all who are visiting with us today. An informal Coffee Hour will be held immediately after both Services in the Gym-Hall, and all are invited.

11:00 A. M. - FINNISH LANGUAGE SERVICE
Rev. Olli H. Jokisaari
Chapel (Hastings Street Entrance)

Mary Wright.
Shirley Telford
Gwen Bullock
Tom Morrison

Organist
Harry Stothers

7:00 P. M.

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

Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship
Hymn: 12 (669) "All people that on earth do dwell"
Prayer of Invocation
Quartette: "Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace" Williams
The Reading from Scripture: II Corinthians 5: 17-21
Luke 4: 31-37

Soloist: Gerald Britland - OPENS READING - Gould
Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Sung)
Quartette: "Live Love"
Sermon: "Dead Letters And A Living Word"
Rev. Jack Shaver

Prayer
Hymn: 65 (208 Vs. 1,2,4,5) "Jesus, where'er thy people"
Benediction and Choral Amen
Organ Chimes and Voluntary

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(Off the Air)

The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology
Announcements: The Life and Work of The Church
Hymn: 131 (637) "The Lord's my shepherd"
Blessing and Organ Postlude

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TODAY Rev. Bill Robinson is preaching at Hastings United Church.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 26th, Rev. Glen Baker will be preaching at the 11:00 a.m. Service, while Rev. Jack Shaver will be at Hastings Church. In the evening there will be an informal Chapel Service following the Annual Congregational Meeting. The Worship Broadcast on CKWX (1130 KC) will come from Christ Church Cathedral at 8:00 p.m.

Cred to Worship: -

Have you ever been made alone,
- called into being, by a creator that failed?
What else is there deeper pilgrimage about
than the search for a living way. Join us
in our pilgrimage. your participation will
deepen ours.

Invocation: -

O LORD

We can't make our lives out of
nothing, or in any old way

We have to do with something
or someone.

Reveal yourself

O. THOU

WITH WHOM WE HAVE TO DO

Make us know ourselves known.

Through J C.

O LORD :

We are always ~~praying~~ for ourselves,
you know whether it is because that is who
we are most interested in — or because
we can't stand the burden of caring for
all the needy of the world.

The World is needy — sometimes
the enormity of it gets to us. Sometimes
our hearts open to the victims of selfishness.
— Ireland — Israel & Mideast —

Viet Nam — South East Asia — Continental Africa
Sub Continent of India — Malfunctioning of Western
Capitalism →

Almighty God — prepare our hearts
— enormous change must come in world
— relations among humans →
→ raise up leaders wisdom capacity,
— Fill needy hope.

O LORD : —

Lord of our hearts —

Preoccupied & power,

prg for individuals —

& Love —

~ Fellow Human Beings — put in our way.

It's hard to do well you

We get thinking about them too —

for you have given them to us..

Grant us the spirit to embrace the
lives you have committed to our care
through J.C. — who taught us

7PM SUNDAY Jan 19

Living Word Dead Letter

Talk about God has run out of gas
for a lot of people

I am kind of there myself.
all kinds of God-talk goes right by me
without making even a ripple.

But I find myself - no matter how bereft.
- especially when I am bereft.

prodding - searching - seeking

WORD OF GOD -

confers - but interest in words about God -
- the possibility WORD FROM GOD.
stand me right on my feet.

Kidding around - only half kidding.

- God is deep

- God is alive today - & living in

God is alive today → The Word of God

→ Word of God - Language - still works. -

ie.

you does-work - ~~not~~ ^{not} facile - motor - checked
in to any work.

Life - your life + mine -

looking for - needs - has to do with →

LIVING WORD

1. Makes a line :-

Galatians - 3rd

For if a law had been given which
could make alive in them -

Rules
Example

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Make alive -

+ Call to Love Be -

+ Acceptance + Affirmation

+ Forgiveness

Nobody

Somebody

- (get to count)

1 Peter
1st

Born again - perishably dead

Lives Word of God

affirmation of you + rejection

refuffs

death you die

Like books, needs | call, affirmation, acceptance - creative
→ up to it - isn't a host.

— isn't destruction of others.

2. Makes distinctions :-

Hebrews - 4 Chap -

- Quick Powerful - sharper

WORD :- Power - owners :-

all kinds of stuff NO.

Western Capitalism

Cultural — essential :-

cultural conflict.

3.

Letter Kills :-

Form in which the word is heard
TODAY -

Tomorrow's Dead Letter

We in the United Church - 50th
anniversary of Church Union -
Church Paper - Significant Article

"editorials that appeared over the years"

Important idea :-

Artificial
 ↑ values
 ↓ affirms
 ↓ negates

Humbling if not humiliating :-

Scrap Books → articles Composes minutes
I was quoted -

WORSE :-

WORD OF GOD - Not to be equated with
the religious beliefs we
give one another -

DEAD LETTER

PROBLEM

Needful → WORD OF GOD

HAVE FOR EACH OTHER - ministry of WORD
OF GOD

Created - Made atone - Forgiven
Brought to resurrection -
ministry of reconciliation

Reckless

we've become

pompous

Righteous.

Doal —

in that role

we mistake —

we have

press on someone else.

Sister Margaret Davis —

study of Native Indian Customs in Winnipeg

CCC of Winnipeg

We should approach the native, not as one who brings Christ to pagans, but as one who announces that Christ is already living among them. It is in the discovery of the presence of the Gospel among these people that we ourselves become evangelized, and it is in our own transformation that the Gospel message is preached.

The Thing about this Living Word of God

we have to keep hearing it afresh
together —

It has its living power for me
when it has it for you too.