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Organist
Harry Stothers

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

Ministers
Rev. Art Griffin
Rev. Jack Shaver

8:00 A. M.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1975

"COME IN TO WORSHIP"

The Praise of God

The Call to Worship

Hymn: 45 (210) "Stand up and bless the Lord"

Prayer of Invocation

Unison Reading: 700 (from The Hymnary)

CHILDREN The Gloria

Quartette: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Stebbins

The Word of God

The Reading from Scripture: Matthew 13: 44-52

I Peter 1: 18-25

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 60 (153) "Spirit divine, attend our prayers"

Sermon: "Things Old And New"

Rev. Jack Shaver

Our Response to God's Word

Prayer

Quartette: "From The Rising Of The Sun"

The Offering: Prayer, Organ Voluntary, Doxology

The Life and Work of The Church

Hymn: 249 (286) "Dear Lord and Father of mankind"

The Benediction and Choral Amen

Organ Chimes and Postlude

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"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, and all are invited.

Anyone interested in viewing Lynn Phipps 'Just Like You And Me' photography exposition of residents of the Eastside are asked to meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. in our parking lot.

AROUND FIRST CHURCH.....

A warm welcome to Jack Shaver just returned from a 6-day working trip to Toronto and Montreal. Jack will be conducting the Service this morning and will be officially inducted, along with Art Griffin, into the First United Church Team Ministry by the Vancouver Burrard Presbytery tonight at 7:00 p.m.

Presbytery Chairman, Rev. Terrence Finch of West Pt. Grey United Church, will preside and we are especially pleased to have former Superintendent Bob Burrows giving the message.

Art reports that he is getting warm "vibes" from people he and Pearl have known in the Vancouver scene during the 1940's and 1950's.

Speaking of the Shavers, we want to congratulate Dorothy on her University degree in Teaching, which she has just been awarded at U.B.C. This gives her full accreditation. Dorothy has worked hard for this.

It's good to see Rev. Bill Robinson looking so well after his heart attack last summer. He has taken off many pounds and looks very fit. We'll have to find the secret from his wife!

Art Griffin, Bill Hennessy and Vicki Obedkoff were in attendance at City Hall last Tuesday afternoon to submit a brief on behalf of First Church to place a moratorium on demolition permits which at present allow destruction of low rental housing in the Downtown-Eastside. Council deferred its decision. There were 20 briefs submitted - all demanding replacement of any demolished housing.

Art invites anyone interested in the "power structure" of Vancouver to borrow an excellently researched book 'VANCOUVER LTD.' by Donald Gutstein.

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Sunday Sept. 28 '05 11AM FIRST UNITED CHURCH.

THINGS OLD AND NEW

That morning I was caught with no sermon

GOD TALK MEANT TO ME.

HOW IT HAD GONE

Got BETTER & BETTER

Got Thinner & Spierer

}

even that didn't
sound quite right.

→ Harder to come By

→ Hadn't learned anything }
Nothing left to learn }

For ALL THAT

Still kept coming back to the Scriptures -

searching for word there

Whole new new emptiness
new feel shock

}

sought word to that
answered " to that

say some more about that

Have a few occasions: -

God Talk worked. -

God Sentence worked -

Kind of this

Creates
Makes Straight
Brings light
Penetrates to the heart of the matter
Forgives
Liberates
Reconciles
Blesses.

I think
why +
values

→ Stories
Inexactly
Reflections } intended
+ snatched
out } People of
the world
— story
Early memories
+ recollections of the
impact of Jesus X
on people & times —
Story

Depth

— how persistent + Deep Human
predicament is —
new negotiations + unlikely remedies —
Even → Church Day + Christ's hand
Shallow + Bland anywhere else
sin + Salvation
Demonic
Self - preoccupation about,

Even though — Word + Ray

Things old + New —

Things turn into their opposite
knowing you don't have
— a way of knowing the word.

Distinctions I had forgotten about — I Break Through
connections new seen before

I mostly slow down as they come along.

THEME: something very old — Address finally.

God is LOVE — what could be a faithful
substance — unless it
works

New Call — addressing my flight from LOVE

give me to a new person or people
 give me again to people } old & new,

Address my flight from love.

Meeting → Me
 → Biblical Writing - Know how it is to
 → The people who come upon us, Dread Their Creation
 occurs

Preoccupied with DREAD

New - old comes along -
 started -

so powerful. Feel up
 summons - much what it does
 control creation
 Should it

I found the word Dread. Dreadful - true & perfect
~~Appropriately~~ used, a thought

Ancient word of Fear of the LORD →

What if there is an Appropriately
Dread?

I may now get them separated - create Dread
destructive Dread

But I could believe in that kind of creep

My Dread

Caught up

later come f.

In an Appropriately and which
blended Dread

To Fear of the Lord