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SUNDAY, JANUARY 3rd, 1982

Morning Worship, 10.30 a.m.

ORGAN PRELUDE "Adagio" G. Tartini
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN No. 405 "While shepherds watched..." Winchester old
INVOCATION
SCRIPTURE LESSONS:
Hebrew Scriptures: Isaiah 61: 10 - 62:3
Epistle Revelation 21: 22 - 22:2
Gospel (please stand) John 1: 1-18
HYMN No. 412 "Twas in the Moon of Winter Time" Jesous Ahatonhia
SERMON "You've had Some, have Some More"
Rev. Jack Shaver
OFFERING
Announcements
Offertory - Congregation will bring offering forward
- elders will bring bread and wine forward
Confession
Pass the Peace
Ministry of Music "Air" G. F. Handel
HYMN No. 109 (86) "When I survey...." Rockingham
COMMUNION
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration
Communion
Post Communion Prayer
HYMN No. 407 (59) "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn
BENEDICTION
ORGAN POSTLUDE "Prelude in F" J. S. Bach

A welcome is extended to all who are sharing with us
in worship today. You are invited to stay for an informal
coffee hour after both services.

Official Board Meeting - January 14, 1982, 8 p.m.
Annual Congregational Meeting - January 31st, 1982

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Jan 3 1982Call to Worship.Happy 10th day of Christmas

Jesus said "Do this in remembrance of Me." The first Christians broke bread together as their distinctive act of worship. For centuries Christians have believed that in the sacrament of Holy Communion they participate in the real presence of Christ.

What a cloud of witnesses wait us to keep the Feast, and join us here at the Lord's Table.

Hymn 405

Invocation :-

We do not presume to come to this your Table trusting in our own righteousness. We come knowing our need to be fed the bread of life, needing the gift of Faith that you are who you say you are. Needing something very deep in us, like our body & Blood, to be made new.

That is what makes it such good news that you are seeking us. If we can just manage to let our selves be found - through of C. our Lord.

Sunday Jan 3rd 1982

Sermon

(9)

10:30 AM.

You've had some Have some more

In our Bible Readings today we have set before us two glowing promises, and one declaration of a happening that has already taken place, not a bad combination for a Service of Holy Communion -

When we do what we were asked to do by Jesus Christ in remembrance of him.
When we show the Lord's death, 'till he come,

I find it not a bad combination in any case.
Promises I find either one by itself
Happening poor pickings.

Isaiah's wonderful promise follows.

"I will not cease until Jerusalem is vindicated
and all the kings shall see your glory."
→ when you take into consideration the history
of the Holy Land since - Now.

Revelation - (Ez. 47:12) Vision of
New Jerusalem - City so pure - so close to God
Doesn't need Priests, Church, Temple.
Tree of life in centre. Fruit for ever more of your
leaves for healing of Nations.

→ Point to a local nation -
one with any dependency on it for the healing of
other nations.

Gospel Lesson

Word of Word becoming Flesh
 Light that lighted our way,
 We ~~Failed~~ his Glory,

Tons of stuff not yet:-

~~high content~~ - refused to show for whom it's
 meant

Still Much only Promises

Reign of the Almighty King
 He has Revealed his glory
and we have Beheld his glory

Word Made Flesh - Different kind of Word,
 - Flesh that was translated to Sonship

To forced word - sent in our ~~head~~ ^{head}

Wounded for our transgressions:-

Took on himself the weight of us all

Turning uside out of what we are inclined to take
 to be glory → Redemptive power of God ^{at work under}

We have had some of it - The conditions of existence
 - Prognostic

Not all promises

probably no one you are close to -

what went with that relationship - wounding

- stripes → healed

Redemptive - creating - episodes throughout life

- gifted -

ever loved → as been loved - gift - allowed you by
 another:-

Miracle of forgiveness.

Some big matter between you and another
gets dealt with by being remembered
instead of forgotten.

You already have beheld the glory of Word
Made Flesh →

Know mystery of meaning - saved by Grace.

Now is promised →

Sacrament of Holy Communion affords.

Have some more:- Saving ~~continuity~~ of God
under the conditions of Creation.

It is not your First Taste

But to be assured

as the earth brings forth its shoots
and as a garden causes what is sown in it
to spring up.

So the Lord will cause righteousness and
praise to spring forth before all
the nations.