

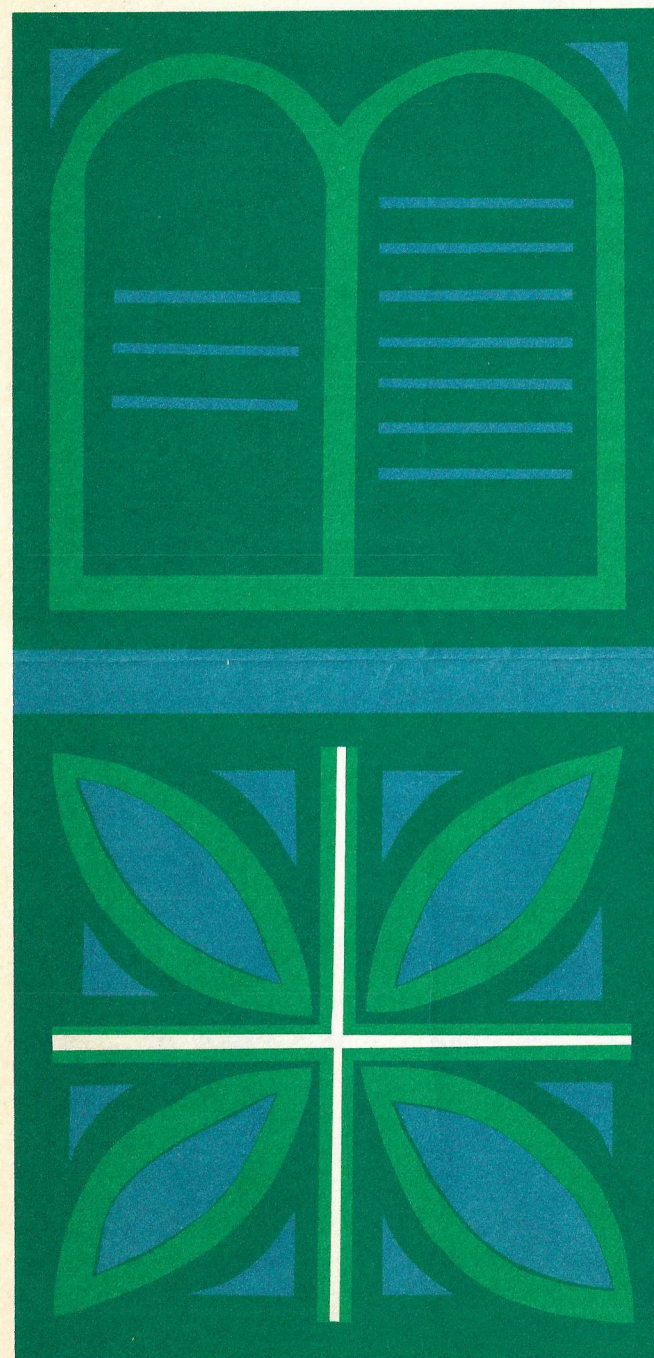


First Baptist Church Bulletins and Order of Worship 1972

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**The
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**The
Spirit
gives
life**



The artwork depicts the symbol for God's Law—two tablets. The Law is not an end in itself. It points out our weakness. The Law teaches us our need for forgiveness. Alone, it kills us. The artwork is completed with a design of a simple cross and leaves. In Christ we grow and flourish. God's forgiving Spirit creates in us a useful and productive life.



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio.

A free church for
those who seek life's
highest

James B. Stephenson
minister 363-7021

To seek, to find and
Do with distinction
The special thing
That makes each life unique.

(Heisler)

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 A. M.

February 6, 1972

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

INTROIT

The Choir

*HYMN, 423

"The Church's One Foundation"

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,

Creative Spirit everywhere,

O Jesus Christ who sets us free,

In joy we sing our praise to Thee.

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

No. 24 (OT)

ANTHEM

"Worship the Lord"

Smith

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 53:1-6

SOLO

"I Walked Today"

Humphrey

Colleen Askins

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 3:21-26

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*HYMN, 235

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

THE MORNING PRAYER

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

SERMON

"Wounded by Life"

Rev. Richard Teller

"All have sinned, and are deprived of the
divine splendour," Romans 3:23 (NEB)

*HYMN

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wound-
ed whole;

There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-
sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my
work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul
again,

(Refrain)

If you can't preach like Peter, If you can't
pray like Paul,
Just tell the love of Jesus, And say he died
for all.

(Refrain)

*BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Assisting in your worship this morning are
W. C. Wickum, choir director; Mrs. Charles N.
Brown, organist. Ushers are Bob Stephenson
and Rick VanBrimmer. Greeters are Harold and
Stephen Bougher.

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We are all happy to welcome the Rev. Richard
Teller to our pulpit this morning. Mr. Tel-
ler is minister of the William Street United
Methodist Church. Assisting in the service is
Mr. James VanBrimmer. Mr. VanBrimmer is the
Chairman of our Board of Deacons and Deacon-
esses and a member of the Board of Trustees
and Executive Committee of the Ohio Baptist
Convention.

It is pulpit exchange Sunday among the cooper-
ating churches of Delaware. Your minister is
speaking at St. Mary's Church.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

7:30 Board of Deacons and Deacon-
esses with Mrs. Milhoan, 91
N. Franklin.

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir rehearsal.

8:00 Bible study.

THURSDAY

10:00 Women's Soc. at the church.

NEWS AND VIEWS available next Sunday. Dead -
line for material is Wednesday night. We need
personal items, Board & Committee reports, etc.

Family Sunday

June 11, 1972

Prelude Mrs. Augspurger
Introit The Choir
*Hymn, 167 "The Beauty of the Earth"
*Invocation
Scripture Deut. 6:4-7
Galatians 5:22-23

Prayer - the Lord's Prayer
Special Music
Bringing of Tithes and Offerings
*Response No. 422
Recognition of Families & Children

Panel - Subject, "My Family" *

"What My Family Means to Me" -
Douglas Lee, Florence Faulk

"What Does My Family Do that Keeps
us together as a Family"
Congregation sharing experiences

"What Does My Church Family Mean to
Me?"
Carol Grubbs, Rick VanBrimmer

"What Does My World Family Mean to
Me?"
Helen Aleshire, Jim Stephenson

*Alternated with reading
"Listen - A Child Speaks," by
Florence Wagnre
*Hymn, 175 "O God whose Love"
*Benediction Choral Amen
Postlude Mrs. Augspurger

Your children are not your children.
They are the sons and daughters of
Life's longing for itself.
They come through you but not from
you,
And though they are with you yet
they belong not to you.
You may give them your love but not
your thoughts.
For they have their own thoughts.
You may house their bodies but not
their souls,
For their souls dwell in the house
of tomorrow, which you cannot
visit, not even in your dreams.
You may strive to be like them, but
seek not to make them like you.
For life goes not backward nor
tarries with yesterday.

Kahlil Gibran

Participants -

Worship leader - Sue Leidtke
Panel Moderator - Bertha McTaggart
Ushers - Faulk family
Greeters - Sophia and Bob Stephenson

We cordially invite all of you to
Blue Limestone Park for our family
picnic and fellowship-game time.
If you have not come prepared with
food and table service, see Sophia
Stephenson for how you can partici-
pate with us.

Don't forget Choir Rehearsal Wed.
at 7:00 followed by Bible study at
8:00.

We welcome visitors to our worship.
Please sign the guest book in the
vestibule.

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A FAMILY COVENANT

Our family joins with others in seek-
ing to make home and family life
more truly Christian.

We shall endeavor to practice the
spirit and teachings of Jesus in
every family relationship.

It shall be our aim to make Christ
the "Head of Our Home," and to honor
Him in all we do and say.

As a family we will make a con-
scientious effort to establish one
or more new practices, as follows:

WORSHIP

___ Ask God's blessing at every meal.
___ Use SECRET PLACE in family wor-
ship.
___ Attend church together.

FELLOWSHIP

___ Discuss family plans and problems.
___ Spend time together in play and
work.
___ Hold family-nights-at-home.

STUDY

- ___ Read and discuss the Bible together.
- ___ Make a definite plan of religious study in our home.
- ___ Use our Baptist family magazine.

OUTREACH

- ___ Participate in community activities.
- ___ Be hosts to friends of another race or culture.
- ___ Support our church with gifts and prayers.

To these ends we dedicate ourselves so that our home shall become a place of Christian love, understanding, and cooperation, and shall foster in every member the highest of Christian ideals, attitudes, and conduct.

It is our desire to give Christ and His teaching a central place in our family life.

Family _____

PRAYER FOR PARENTS

Dear Heavenly Father, make me a better parent. Teach me to understand my children, to listen patiently to what they have to say and to answer all their questions kindly. Keep me from interrupting them, talking back to them and contradicting them. Make me as courteous to them as I would have them be to me. Give me the courage to confess my sins against my children and to ask them forgiveness when I know that I have done them wrong.

May I not vainly hurt the deep feelings of my children. Forbid that I should laugh at their mistakes or resort to shame and ridicule as punishment.

Let me not tempt my child to lie and steal. So guide me hour by hour that I may demonstrate by all I say and do that honesty produces happiness.

Reduce, I pray, the meanness in me. May I cease to nag; and when I am out of sorts, help me, O Lord, to hold my tongue.

Blind me to the little errors of my children, and help me to see the good things that they do. Give me a ready word of honest praise.

Help me to grow up with my children, to treat them as those of their own age, but let me not expect of them the judgments and conventions of adults. Allow me not to rob them of the opportunity to wait upon themselves, to think, to choose and to make decisions.

Forbid that I should ever punish for selfish satisfaction. May I grant them all their wishes that are reasonable and have the courage always to withhold a privilege which I know will do them harm.

Make me so fair and just, so considerate and companionable to my children that they will have a genuine esteem for me. Fit me to be loved and imitated by my children.

- Gary Cleveland Myers

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

July 2, 1972
Delaware, Ohio

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The idea of Communion is fellowship with Christ and with each other in Him.
We invite you to share in this experience this morning

And Him evermore I beheld
Walking in Galilee;
Thru the cornfield's waving gold,
By the shores of the beautiful sea.
He toucheth the sightless eyes,
Before Him the demons flee;
To the dead He sayeth, "Arise!"
To the living, "Follow me!"
And that voice shall still sound on
From the centuries that are gone
To the centuries that shall be.

Henry Longfellow

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday
and today and forever. Heb. 12:8

If a man loves me, he will keep my
words, and my Father will love him,
and we will come to him and make our
home with him. John 14:23

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

The Prelude Mrs. Brown
Invitation to Communion
Introit The Choir
*Hymn, 107 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

A Scripture Reading I Cor. 11:23-31
Special Music
Bringing of Tithes & Offerings
*Response Doxology

Lesson "One Way"

Fellowship Offering
*Hymn, 461 "Bread of Life"
The Communion

Invitation
Words of Jesus
Prayers
Communion
Thanks

*Hymn, 281 "Jesus Calls Us"
*Benediction Choral Amen
Postlude Mrs. Brown

— — — * Congregation stands — — —

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum
Organist - Mrs. Charles N. Brown
Ushers - Bob Stephenson, Rick Van-
Brimmer

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We welcome visitors to our worship.
Please sign the guest book in the
vestibule.

There will be no more Wednesday night
Bible Study until September.

Our quarterly business meeting is
scheduled for after worship next
Sunday. We need you.

Summer NEWS AND VIEWS will be ready
next Sunday. Will the persons with
reports, news, etc. please get the
material to the parsonage by Wednes-
day afternoon.

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Expecting Him, my door was open wide;
Then I looked round
If any lack of service might be
found,
And saw Him at my side:
How entered, by what secret stair,
I know not, knowing only He was there.
Thomas Brown

ONE WAY!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 A. M.

8/6/1972

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE PRAYER

to be offered in unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets
are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that
that we may perfectly love thee and worthily
magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord,

AMEN.

*HYMN, 451

"Here at Thy Table, Lord"

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-31

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY

"Here Is the Key"

THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation
Words of Instruction
Prayer of Blessing
Communion
Thanksgiving

*HYMN, 107

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

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invite you to consider our church.

THE MARION ASSOCIATION'S MEN'S BROTHERHOOD will have
a dinner meeting Tuesday, August 8, at 7:00 P.M. at the
Allen Center Baptist Church. The cost of the meal will
be \$1.50 per person. The program will be presented by
the youth who recently visited Haiti as part of a de-
nomination tour. Reservations should be given to the
minister today.

AN ORDINATION service is scheduled for next Sunday
night, August 13, at the Trinity Baptist Church, Marion.
To be ordained is John D. Kepler. Time is 7:30 P. M.
A reception for Mr. Kepler and his family will be held
after the service.

THE ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE will be held this week,
11-13, at Westerville, Ohio on the campus of Otterbein
College.

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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James B. Stephenson, minister

Phone 363-7021

The purpose of this Church is the study and practice of the Way of Jesus Christ. This is a pathway of freedom which binds no person to a creed but sets each one free to follow the Light of Christ within him.

VACATION CHRIST

Christ walks vacation roads. He knows
Each reaching thoroughfare,
To what inviting spot it goes,
And all who journey there.

The One who shares the crowded way
With workers all the year
Would hardly leave them when the day
Of rest and change is near.

Christ walks vacation roads with us
And by His grace untold
He makes them quite as marvelous
As roads He trod of old.

Vacation highways may become,
Like those of Galilee,
The way to an Emmanus home
Or one at Bethany.

- Clarence Edwin Flynn

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 A. M.

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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION
THE PRAYER

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all desires known, and from whom no secrets
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magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord,
AMEN.

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(fill in, tear off, and place in the box on the table
in the vestibule. Thanks)

Please sing the following hymns : _____

Please speak on the following subject(s) _____

(use back of bulletin if necessary)

behold your King is coming to you



Through the gates of Jerusalem our Lord enters on His royal mission. By many He is unrecognized. The words of the prophet remind us that He is indeed our King.



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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson
Minister

August 13, 1972

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God is my help in every need;
God does my every hunger feed;
God walks beside me, guides my way
Through every moment of the day.

I now am wise, I now am true,
Patient, kind, and loving too.
All things I am, can do, and be
Through Christ, the Truth that is in me.

God is my health, I can't be sick;
God is my strength, unfailing, quick;
God is my all, I know no fear,
Since God and love and Truth are here.
- Hannah More Kohaus

The poem above has had an enormous circulation. It has had a ministry of help and healing for many people. Despite its apparent simplicity, it carries a capacity to reach the deeper levels of the mind, and there it releases the powers of transformation.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

*HYMN, 94

"O Worship the King"

*PRAYER OF EXPECTATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

A RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

Minister: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Minister: who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments;
Minister: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
People: In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.
(from Psalms 103:1-5; Proverbs 3:1,5,6)

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 14:10-29

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY

"Faith for this Moment"

MORNING PRAYERS

Silence

Presentation of Needs

*HYMN, 431

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown

Chief Ushers, Bob Stephenson and Rick VanBrimmer

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We welcome visitors to our worship today. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

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GOD IS LOVE . . .

The words ring
with a hollow sound
until the arms
of all His children
find their way around
each other.

- Mildred N. Hoyer

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

August 27, 1972

James B. Stephenson,
Minister

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE
CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Brown

*HYMN, 378

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*PRAYER OF EXPECTATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PRAISE

tune, Doxology

O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*RESPONSE

No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, 307

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

* Congregation stands

We welcome visitors to our worship to-day. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

Remember Choir Rehearsal this Wednesday.

Our fall study of the Gospel of John will begin Sept. 17. Midweek study resumes Sept. 20 and will consist of a more detailed and deeper presentation of the material covered the Sunday before. Read the entire Gospel before the 17th.



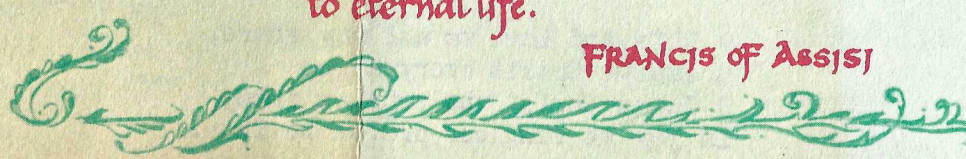
LORD,

make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light, and
Where there is sadness, joy.

O, DIVINE MASTER,

grant that I may not so much
Seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born
to eternal life.

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

James B. Stephenson,
minister

September 10, 1972

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Let the door open outward.

Let us go forth to meet all men,
knowing that we are brothers,
knowing that we live on one earth
and, whatever name we give to God,
knowing that we have one Source.

let the door open inward.

Let us each find his own center
and there in communion
open ourself to that Source,
and let the peace, the joy,
the wisdom, the light, and the life
flow into our heart, our life.

Let the door open both ways,
that we may never again know
isolation from the Source of all
nor separation from our brothers.

- Elizabeth Searle Lamb

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:30 A. M.

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

INTROIT

The Choir

GREETING & A PROMISE FROM GOD

*HYMN, 135

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*PRAYER OF EXPECTATIONS

*SONG OF PRAISE (tune, Doxology)

O Life and Love we all may share,
Creative Spirit everywhere,
O Jesus Christ who sets us free,
In joy we sing our praise to Thee.

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 31

ANTHEM

"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"

Smith

A NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 12:1-11

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422

LESSON FOR TODAY

"The Great Escape"

Rev. Ted D. Stephenson

MORNING PRAYERS

Call to Prayer

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN, 262

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown

Chief Ushers, Bob Stephenson and Rick VanBrimmer

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Our guest speaker today is the Rev. Ted D. Stephenson,
minister of the First Baptist Church of Ambridge, Pa.
He is the second person from this congregation to go
into full time Christian service and the first to en-
ter the ministry. We welcome him and Mrs. Stephenson
to our service.

All visitors are welcomed today. Please sign the
guest book in the vestibule.

Remember Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. The
Wednesday Bible study resumes Sept. 20 at 8:00 P.M.
We shall begin an in-depth study of the gospel of St.
John. This gospel will also be the basis of our Sun-
day morning Lessons beginning Sept. 17. The entire
gospel should be read by the 17th if you are to re-
ceive maximum benefit from the study.

The first meeting for the fall of the Women's Mission
Society will be held Thursday, at the church, at 7:30
P.M. The Young Adult Fellowship has the program for
the evening. Subject, "Concerns of the Rising Gener-
ation."

The fall inspirational meeting of the Marion Assoc.
is scheduled for Trinity Church, Marion, Sept. 24.
Times are from 2:30-9:00. The evening session will
feature a concert (rock, folk, gospel, blues, and
classical) by the CHI RHO, a group from Judson Col-
lege.

A man's mind
plans his way,
but the Lord
directs his steps.
Proverbs 16:9



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Morning Worship
October 22, 1972

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Enter His church with thanksgiving,
Go into His sanctuary with praise!
Give thanks to Him and praise Him!

The Lord is good;
His love lasts forever,
And His faithfulness for all time!
Psalm 100:4,5

If we want to be healthy and vitally alive, we must not allow ourselves to fall into negative ways of thinking. Let us not go along with those who talk about and think about disease and ill health. Let us not be talked into feeling old or decrepit by those who remind us that at "our age" we can expect distress and weakness. God's life is pure and powerful, and we can abide in this life so that we feel young, strong, and energetic.
from Daily Word

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 a.m.

THE PRELUDE
INTROIT

Mrs. Brown
The Choir

GREETING & RESPONSE

*HYMN, 122

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

*INVOCATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 31

ANTHEM

"Peace Be Still"

Palmer

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 2:1-11

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

The Doxology

SOLO

"They that Wait upon the Lord"

Humphreys

W. C. Wickum

THE MORNING PRAYERS

The Lord's Prayer
Silence

LESSON FOR TODAY

"The Eye of the Fish"

*HYMN, 360 (stanzas 1, 4)

"Are Ye Able?"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

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Choir, Director, W. C. Wickum; Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown; Chief Ushers, Bob Stephenson & Rick VanBrimmer
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We welcome all visitors to our worship today. May we have your names in the guest book in the vestibule?

NEWS AND VIEWS will be available next Sunday. Deadline for news is Wednesday night. Items of personal information are needed.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY

7:15 Choir Rehearsal.

8:00 Bible study in the Fellowship Hall.

SATURDAY

7:30 Halloween party sponsored by the
Grcan-ups. Please come in costume.

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 Classes for all ages. All classes,
including adults, begin at 9:15!!!

10:30 Morning Worship. Reformation Sunday. Lesson: "Freedom in the Sonlight."

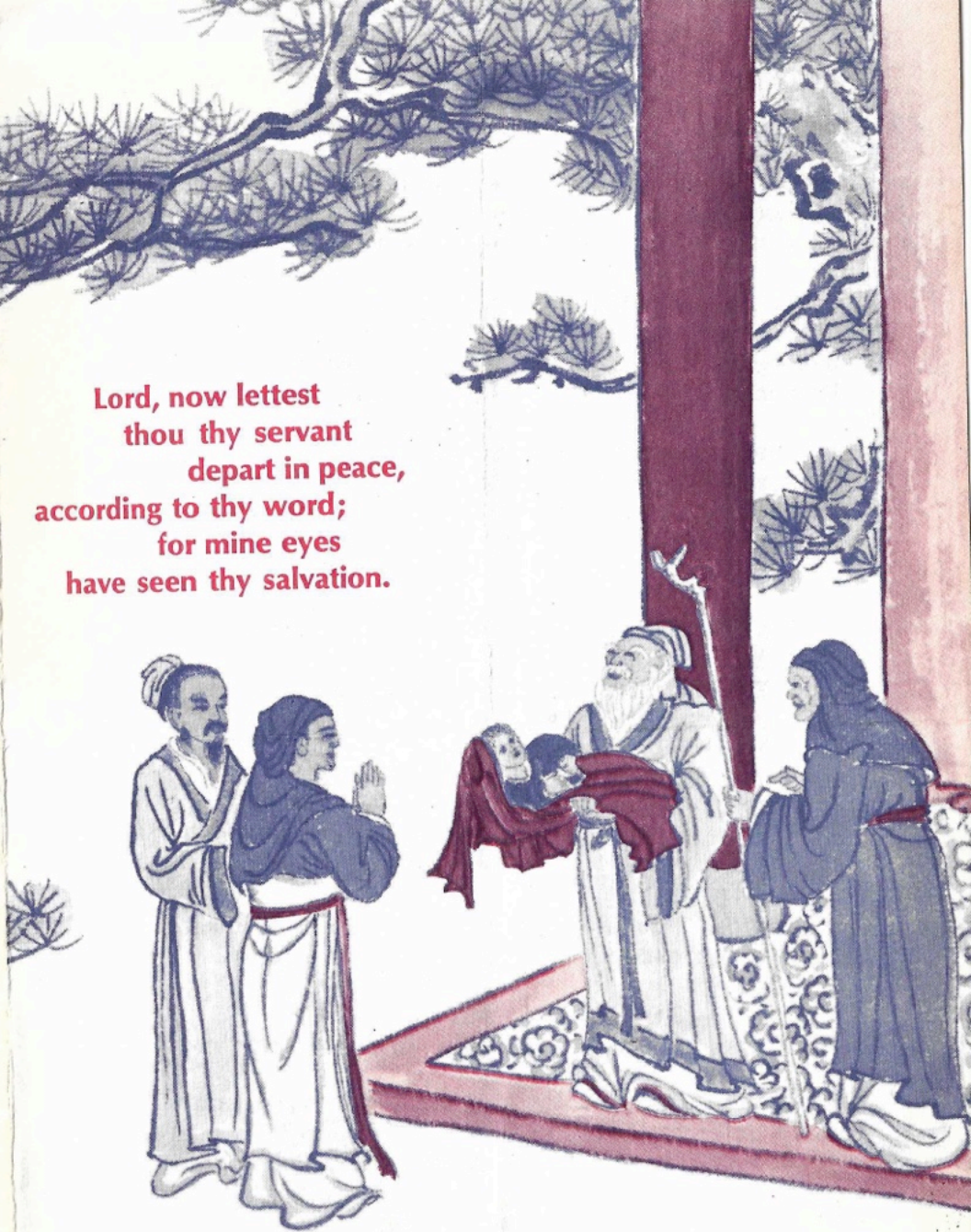
We have obtained 50 additional hymnals from the Karl Rd. Baptist Church - total cost, \$25.00! This was accomplished thru the efforts of Fred Grubbs and with permission of the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses.

Once in ancient India there was a tournament held to test marksmanship in archery. A wooden fish was set up on a high pole and the eye of the fish was the target. One by one many valiant princes came and tried their skill, but in vain. Before each one shot his arrow the teacher asked him what he saw, and invariably all replied that they saw a fish on a pole at a great height with head, eyes, etc.; but Arjuna, as he took his aim, said: "I see the eye of the fish," and he was the only one who succeeded in hitting the mark.

Paramananda

He who knows the secret of the eye of the fish will discover the abundant life that Jesus called "the Kingdom of God."

Lord, now lettest
thou thy servant
depart in peace,
according to thy word;
for mine eyes
have seen thy salvation.



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

Morning Worship

December 31, 1972

James B. Stephenson, minister Phone 363-7021

Talk, if you will, of hero deed,
Of clash of arms and battle wonders;
But speak not of your Christian creed
Preached by the bombers' murderous thunder.

Be what you will, entire and free,
Christian or warrior - the choice before us;
But not the rank hypocrisy
Of warlike followers of Jesus.
- Ernest Crosby

You call me Master and obey me not,
You call me way and walk me not,
You call me wise and follow me not,
You call me light and see me not,
You call me gracious and trust me not,
You call me just and fear me not,
If I condemn you, blame me not.
- carved in the Cathedral
of Lubeck, Germany

Jesus said, "Put down your sword, Everyone who
lives by the sword will die by the sword."

For Jesus is our peace.
- Eph. 2:14a

Violence ceases not by violence, but violence
ceases only by love.
- Buddha

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:30 am

THE PRELUDE

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*HYMN, 190

*THE INVOCATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Mrs. Brown

The Choir

"Joy to the World"

No. 1

ANTHEM "In the Bleak Midwinter" trad.
(arr. by W. C. & Jean Wickum, Doris Smale)
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE No. 422
THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 1:18-25

LESSON FOR TODAY

"The Dreams of Christmas"

MEDITATION

*HYMN, 191

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

*THE BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

* Congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Mrs. Charles N. Brown

Chief Ushers, Bob Stephenson, Rick VanBrimmer

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We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign the
guest book in the vestibule.

We express our thanks to all those who worked so dili-
gently to enhance our Christmas season in the Church
and Church School.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

4:00 Junior Choir rehearsal.

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

8:00 Bible study.

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 Church School classes. Adults
will meet first in assembly room
for brief hymnsing.

10:30 Holy Communion.

As this new year dawns, I see it as a new beginning. I
expect new opportunities to open to me. I expect to be
more capable of meeting life successfully. I release
from my thinking any limitations I have consciously or
unconsciously accepted for myself. I seek to serve
rather than to be served. I set about to make
adequate preparations. I am confident that many new
roads will open to me.

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