

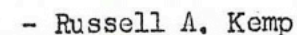


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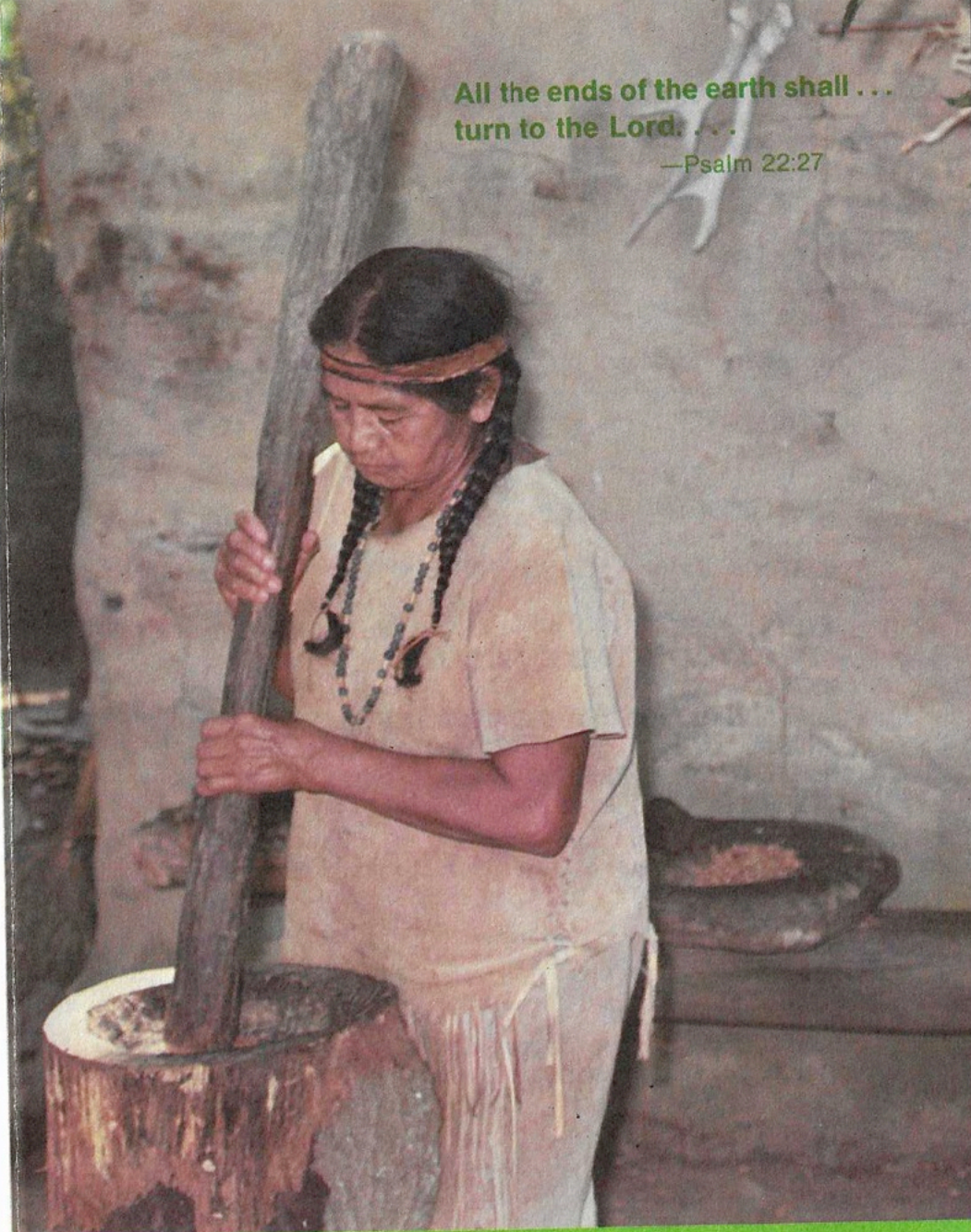
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HE IS ONLY MY ROCK AND MY SALVATION, MY FORTRESS... PSALM 22:27





All the ends of the earth shall ...
turn to the Lord. ...
—Psalm 22:27



DELAWARE
OHIO

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Christ My Lord" Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #204 "We Three Kings"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 8

ANTHEM "Noel - Noel" Kentish Carol

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-15

OFFERTORY "Poem" Denton

* THE RESPONSE The Doxology

SOLO "He Came as a Babe from Heaven" Humphries

W. C. Wickum

LESSON "A Winter Journey"

PRAYERS

*HYMN, #363 "Lead On"

*THE BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE "The Gospel Trumpet" Price

* congregation stands

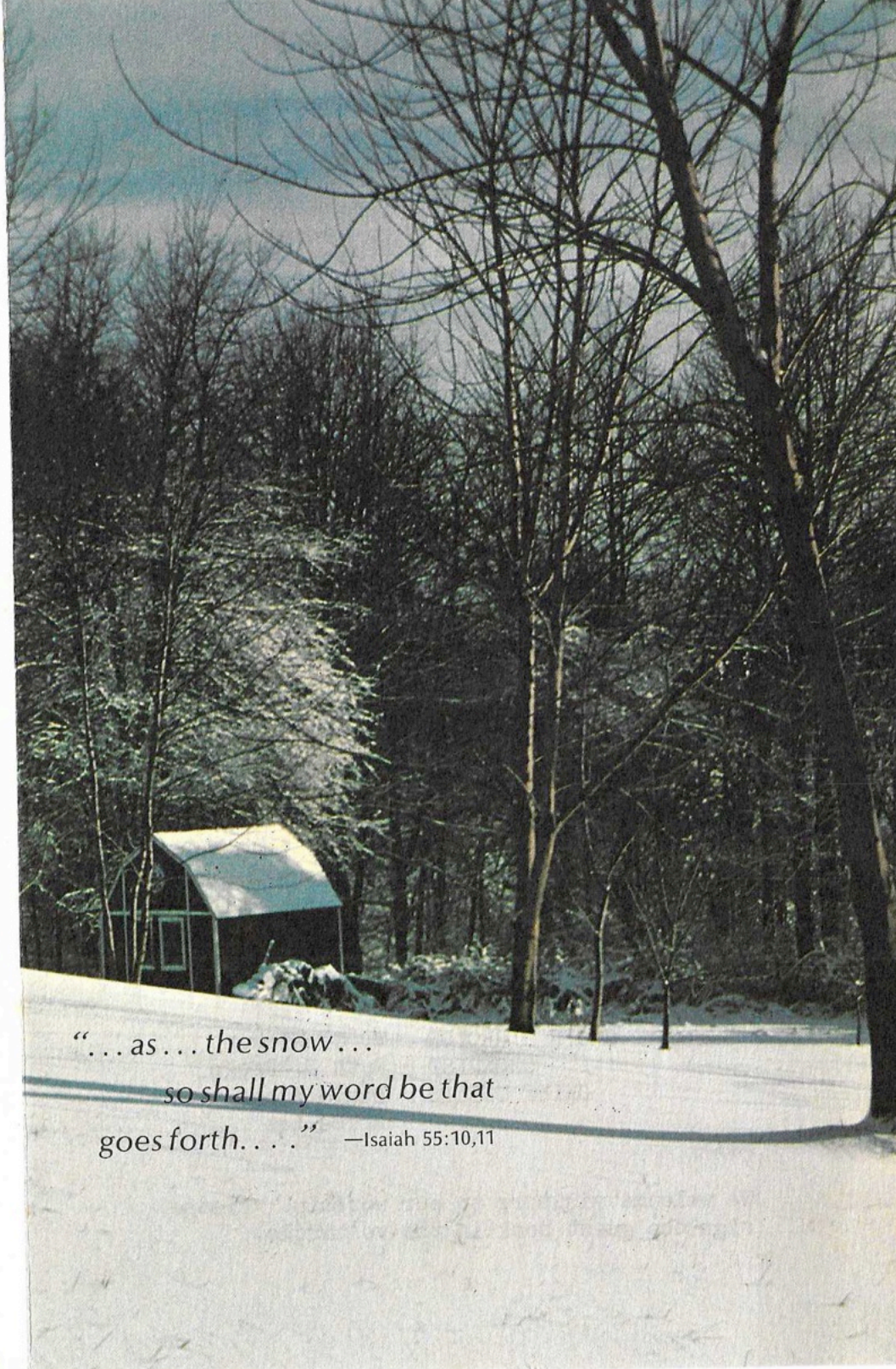
We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

Larry Faulk
Thad Inscho
Forest Evans
John Linn
Claudia Eliot

THURSDAY
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FRIDAY
NXT SUNDAY

TODAY	2:00 Nominating Comm.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30 Women's Society at the church. Program: Jean Wickum Devotions: Sandra Cagwin
NXT SUNDAY	9:15 Church School classes for all ages. 10:45 Worship. Lesson: "The Way that Works" Read Matt. 3:13- 4:11.

Are you a Christian? Are you an active member of a church? If you wish to confess your faith in Christ, or desire to unite with this church, you may come forward during the last hymn or speak to the pastor privately.



*“...as... the snow...
so shall my word be that
goes forth...” —Isaiah 55:10,11*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson
Pastor

JANUARY 15, 1978

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

THE PRELUDE
A MEDITATION

Mrs. Brown

*HYMN, #214
*INVOCATION

"The Stories of Jesus"
(unison)

Lord Jesus Christ, our Light, our Guide,
our Hope, our Joy; lead us as we follow
your path from Bethlehem to the wastes of
Egypt, from Nazareth to Jordon, from Jor-
don to the desert. We follow your steps
to every Good your have prepared for us,
for we trust in your overwhelming Love.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 46

ANTHEM

The Choir

MORNING PRAYERS

*OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

DEDICATION OF A BABY

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 3:13-4:11

LESSON

"The Way that Works"

*HYMN, #281

"Jesus Calls Us"

*THE BENEDICTION

Alleluia

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR

W. C. Wickum

ORGANIST

Ruth J. Brown

CHIEF USHERS

David Adams

Bruce Lee

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

Today we dedicate Erin Michelle Faulk. She
is the daughter of Larry and Pam Faulk. Erin
was born Dec. 4, 1977.

BIRTHDAYS

CLAUDIA ELIOT

TODAY

TIM FOGLE

SATURDAY

DEENA DEAN

FRIDAY

THELMA JONES

NXT SUNDAY

ERNESTINE FROST

NXT SUNDAY

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is set for
this Wednesday. We will begin with a covered
dish dinner at 6:30pm (bring own table ser-
vice). Coffee and tea will be provided. The
business meeting will immediately follow the
dinner.

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY

Parish Council at 7:30pm.

TUESDAY

Healing Group at 7:30pm.

WEDNESDAY

Morning Circle with Fogles
at 9:00am.
Choir at 7:30pm.

THURSDAY

Assoc. women at Marion
Trinity at 9:30am.
Eva Shephard Circle with
Belts at 7:30pm.

Do you have a church home in Delaware? Have
you made a profession of faith in Christ and
offered yourself to him as a disciple? If
you wish to become a member of the church fel-
lowship and/or make a decision of faith in
Christ, you may speak to the pastor privately
or come to the front of the Sanctuary during
the last hymn.

*Read wilderness exp. of Jesus
once a day*

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

JANUARY 22, 1978

The joyous life of God radiates with power
and healing through me;
Day and night, summer and winter,
Springtime and autumn, and in between!
Asleep or awake, wherever I am,
With flowing precision God's life renews
me and keeps me young.

- Russell A. Kemp

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #167 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 31

MORNING PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 1:9-13

LESSON

"The Way that Works"

*HYMN, #171

"This Is My Father's World"

*BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*congregation stands

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum

Organist - Ruth J. Brown

Chief Ushers - David Adams, Bruce Lee

WE WELCOME VISITORS to our worship today. May
we have your name and address in the guest
book in the vestibule. And we invite you to
visit us again.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY

Ernestine Frost

Thelma Jones

THURSDAY

Sophia Stephenson

FRIDAY

John & Sis Mansfield

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER has been re-
scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 6:30pm.

The rose on the altar is in honor of Matthew
David Lovell, son of Mary Lou and David
Lovell. Matthew was born at 3:43am, Jan-
uary 18, and weighed 8 lb., 6 oz.

If one advances confidently in the direction
of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life
which he has imagined, he will meet with a
success unexpected in common hours.

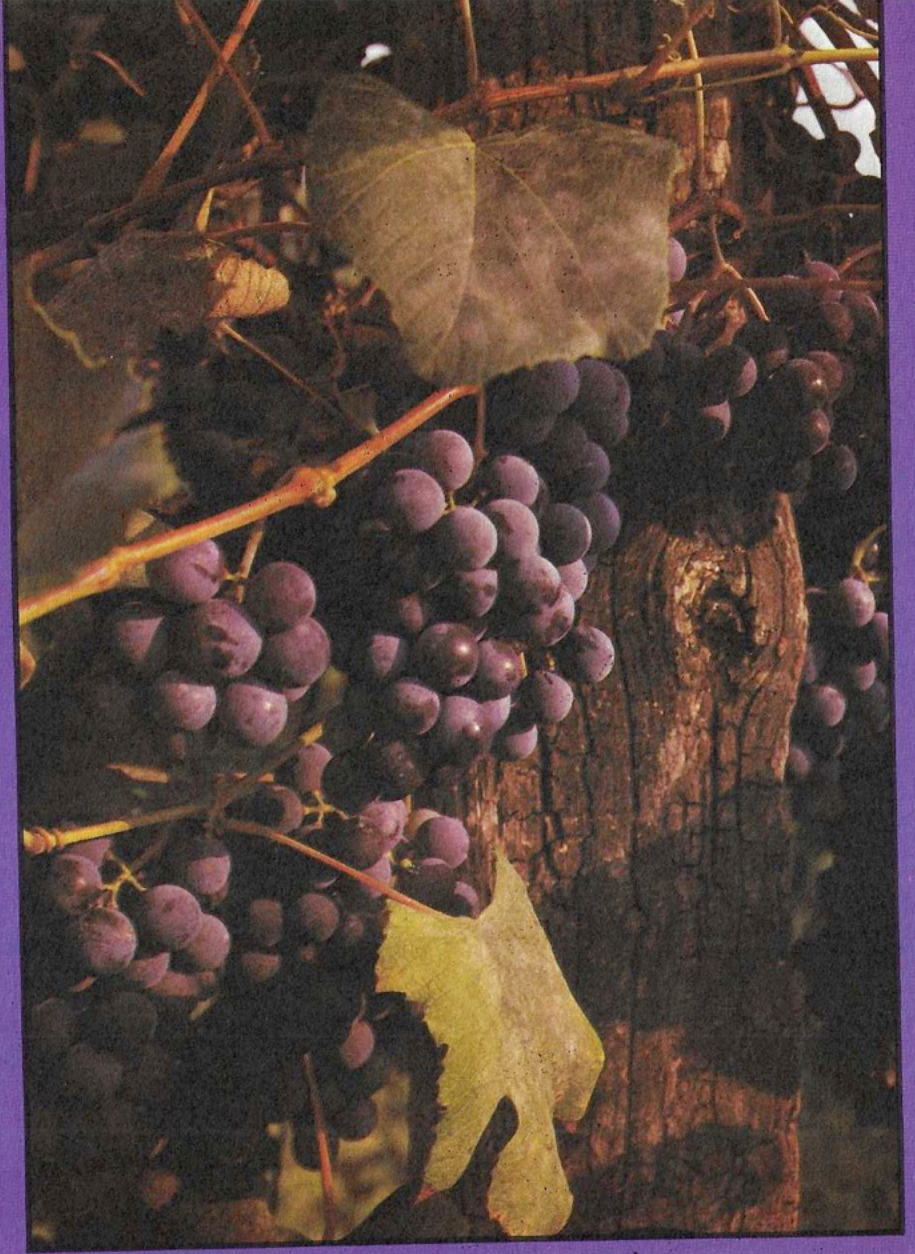
- Henry David Thoreau

Faith has neither wall nor roof, no concrete
offering of proof.

Its substance frail as winds that pass, as
image seen in mirrored glass.

Yet mountains move and valleys fill when
faith is linked to wish and will.

Katherine Edelman



“I am the true vine.” —John 15:1

My heart makes its own weather,
So let the world grow gray;
My heart starts saying April
When April's far away.

Blow wind and bitter weather,
Come care and whistling cold,
An April heart will never
Grow gray or crabbed or old.

Time is a wrinkled treason;
Age is an old untruth.
Heart, keep your changeless season,
Green April, golden youth!

- James Dillet Freeman

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
FEBRUARY 5, 1978

James B. Stephenson
pastor

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #402

"Give to the Winds Thy Fears"
(unison)

*INVOCATION

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 your
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love
you and worthily magnify your Holy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A SCRIPTURE READING

No. 12 (NT)

SPECIAL MUSIC

BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*RESPONSE

No. 422 (1st stanza)

THE SCRIPTURE

Mark 4:35-41

LESSON

"Christ and Storm"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*HYMN, #451

"Here at Thy Table, Lord"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN, #476

"Blest Be the Tie"

*BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*Congregation stands

Assisting you in your worship are Ruth J.
Brown, organist, W. C. Wickum, choir director,
David Adams & Bruce Lee, ushers.

. BIRTHDAYS

WEDNESDAY

Della Dean

(MISSED FROM LAST WEEK)

Barney Barkeloo

Elizabeth Brown

Fred Grubbs

. OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

7:30 Women's Society at
the church

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will publish next Sun-
day. All contributions should be in the
office by no later than this Wednesday.

THE ANNUAL MEETING and dinner is set for
Wednesday, February 15, at 6:30pm.

THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARION ASSOC. will meet
at Prospect, Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7:30pm.

"Thou art my beloved Son. . . ." —Luke 3:22 a



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT -
 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 FEBRUARY 12, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON,
 PASTOR

LENT - a period of forty days (not including Sundays) prior to Easter. A time to repent, which means to change your thoughts, and to reach out for the good things of Jesus' bright Kingdom.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP	10:45am
PRELUDE	"Poeme" Young
A MEDITATION	
*HYMN, #236	"Above the Hills of Time"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER	
*FELLOWSHIP TIME	
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING	No. 12
DUET	"Jesu, Holy Spirit" trad.
	Linda White, W. C. Wickum
A SPECIAL MESSAGE	
OFFERTORY	"Solemn Litany" Paxton
RESPONSE	The Doxology
A NEW TESTAMENT READING	Matthew 7:24-27
LESSON	"Building a New Life in Lent"
PRAYERS	
*HYMN, #252	"All Hail the Power"
*BENEDICTION	Alleluia
POSTLUDE	"Songs of Praise" Saint-Saens
*CONGREGATION STANDS	

SANDRA CAGWIN, assisting the pastor
 W. C. WICKUM, choir director
 RUTH J. BROWN, organist
 DAVID ADAMS, BRUCE LEE, chief ushers

BIRTHDAY

Ray Faulk

NXT SUNDAY

events

tuesday	7:30 Healing Group 8:00 Bible study (to-day's script.).
wednesday	6:30 Covered dish dinner & annual meeting
nxt sunday	<u>blanket sunday</u>
AND	
wednesday	9:00 Morning Circle with Beth Trigg
thursday	7:30 Shephard Circle with Sophia Stephenson

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today.
 Get your copy and pick up one for absent friends.

Father, I know You
 to be so large as to be
 a part of everything
 And yet small enough
 to feel every heartbeat
 and know every human sigh.
 Father, I know You
 govern a universe
 and yet you live within me
 in a dwelling place
 That You call home.
 - Jim Rosemergy

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 19, 1978

James B. Stephenson
pastor

LENT - a period of forty days (not including Sundays) prior to Easter. It is a time to change your thoughts and to reach out for the good things of Jesus' bright Kingdom.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Prelude in G" Rimbault
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #379 "Love Divine"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison) Psalm 91
SOLO "Midnight and on Olive's Brow" Bradbury
Jeanne Ekelberry

OFFERTORY "Song of Faith" Mozart
*RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "House-Life"
Matthew 7:24-27
Romans 12:1-3

PRAYERS

BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERING

*HYMN, #373 "A Charge to Keep I Have"
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE "A Triumphal March" Handel
*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. Wickum
ORGANIST, Ruth J. Brown
ORGANIST FOR TODAY, Betty Porter
CHIEF USHERS, David Adams, Bruce Lee

BIRTHDAYS

Ray Faulk
Willard Fogle

TODAY
THURSDAY

events . . .

tuesday 7:30 Healing Group.
8:00 Bible study. Read
Isaiah 55.

wednesday 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

and very special

saturday 7:30 Adult Social in the
Fellowship Hall.
Ron Whitacre will
show underocean
slides.

every wednesday 7:30 Laymen's Lenten
breakfast at Legion
Hall, S. Henry.

march 3 9:30-11:00 World Day of
Prayer at Asbury.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available. Pick up
a copy for yourself and friends.

SPIRITUAL HEALING begins with the inner
self. It first utters the ancient cry of the
soul, "Make me a clean heart, O God, and re-
new a right spirit within me." As it moves
from the spiritual center to the physical
circumference of our being it guides our
thinking. Peace comes to the trouble mind
and power is released. New sources of life
are tapped for body and soul.

- Dean Gresham

"...where two
or three are gathered...
there am I..." — Matthew 18:20



A BLESSING

Bless this day to which I rise,
 Bless my lips, and ears, and eyes;
 Bless my hands and bless my feet,
 Clothes I wear and food I eat.
 Every task I find to do,
 Father, give Thy blessing to.
 Everyone I meet today,
 Every word my lips may say
 Let me bless, that I may be
 Consciously at ONE with Thee.

- R. H. Grenville

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 DELAWARE, OHIO
 3rd SUNDAY IN LENT
 FEBRUARY 26, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON
 PASTOR

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #296

"Take My Life"

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*GLORIA PATRI

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 20

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

A NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 11:12-14; 20-25

LESSON

"Using Your Inner Power"

PRAYERS

*HYMN, #324

"Have Thine Own Way"

*BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. Wickum
 ORGANIST, Ruth J. Brown
 CHIEF USHERS, David Adams, Bruce Lee

BIRTHDAY

Ron Whitacre
 Ted D. Stephenson

FRIDAY

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

8:00 Bible study. Read
 I Corinthians 13.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY

9:30-11:00am. World Day
 of Prayer at Asbury.

"Volunteers under Pressure" will be the theme for World Day of Prayer this Friday. If you have felt the increasing pressure as one of the volunteers, come share your inspirations and frustrations at Church Women United's ecumenical service at Asbury United Methodist Church, 9:30-11:00am. Beverage will be served. All are welcome.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will be published Sunday, March 12. Deadline for material is Sunday, March 5. No exceptions, please! It will be our Easter edition.

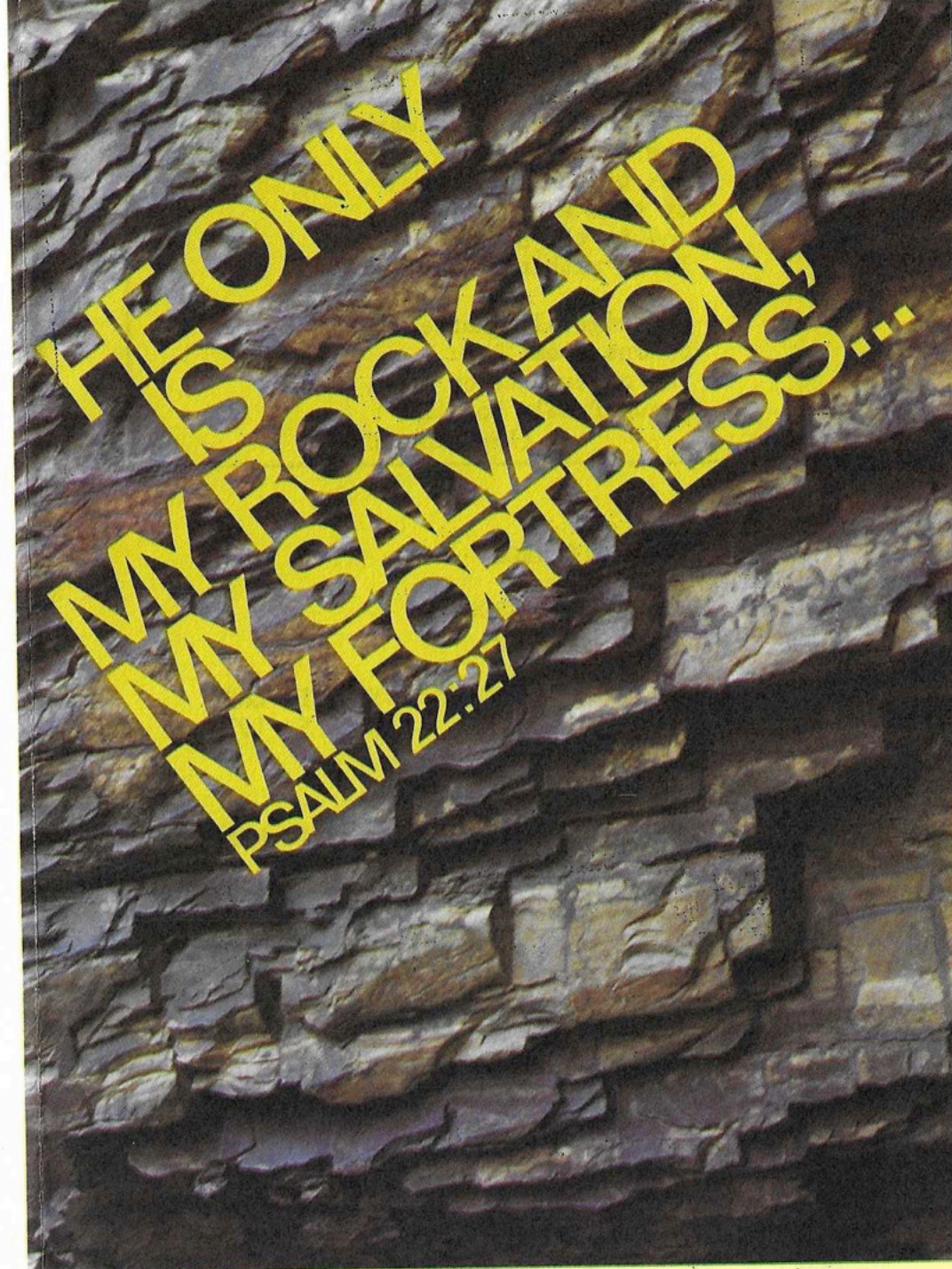
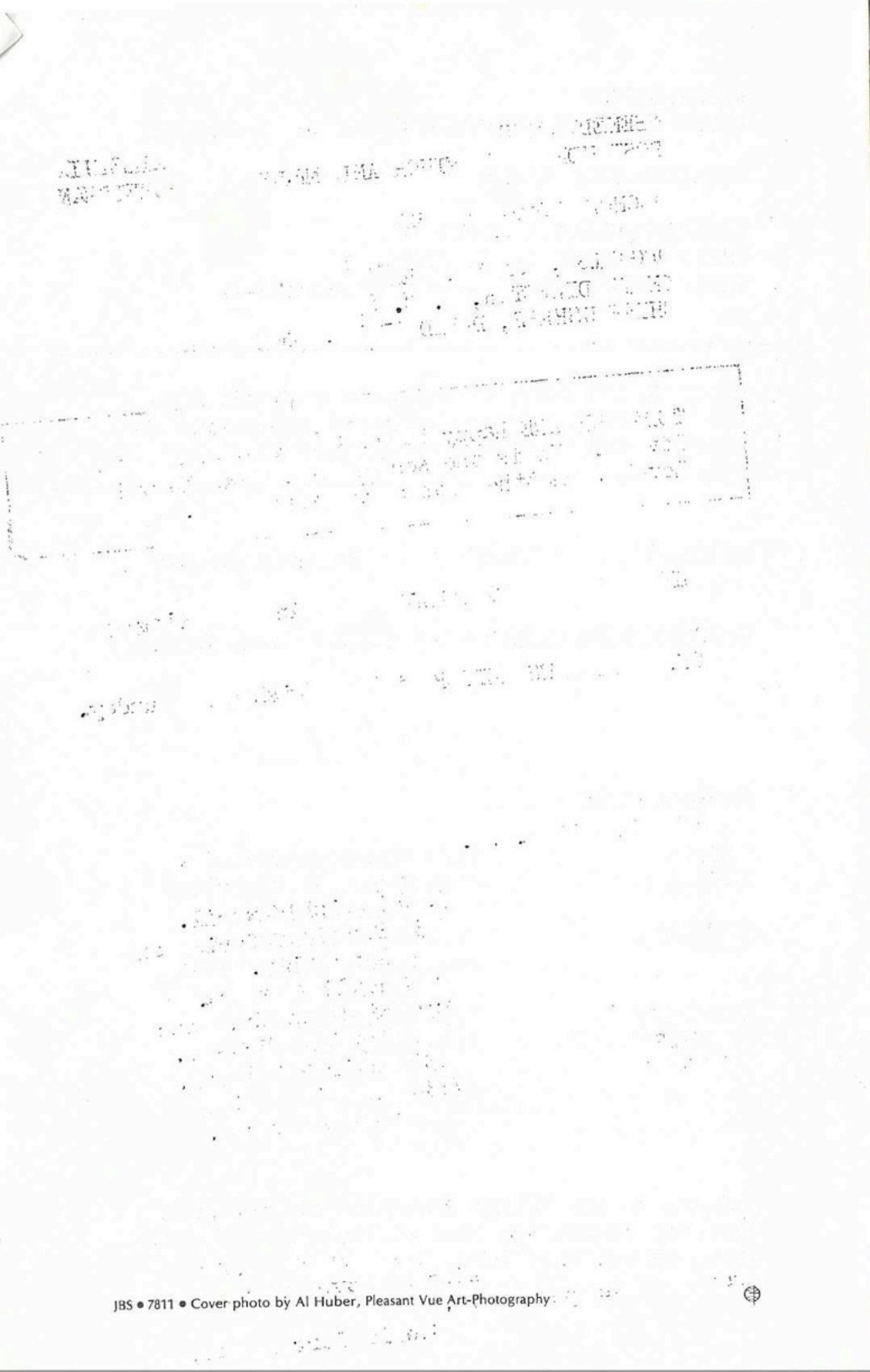
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If you remain in me and my words remain in you, then you will ask anything you wish, and you shall have it.

John 15:7

When you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it, and and you will be given whatever you ask for.

Mark 11:24



HE IS ONLY
MY ROCK AND
MY SALVATION,
MY FORTRESS...
PSALM 22:27

I pledge allegiance
to the human race,
and to this planet earth
where we dwell;
and to the universe
of time and space . . .
and to the Being Who
lives within all.

I pledge allegiance
to one great law:
the observance of love,
given freely to all.
(Lorraine Scherk)

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR
WILLARD FOGLE, ASSISTING

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 5, 1978

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "CALM AS THE NIGHT" BOHM
INVITATION
*HYMN, #451 "HERE AT THY TABLE"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
SCRIPTURE READING LUKE 2: 42 - 52
DEDICATION OF A BABY
SOLO "FILL MY CUP LORD" BLANCHARD
W. C. Wickum
OFFERTORY "BLEST BE THE TIE" WILSON
*RESPONSE THE DOXOLOGY
LESSON "CHRIST: KNOWN AND UNKNOWN"
AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING
*HYMN, #295 "JUST AS I AM"
THE HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #371 "STAND UP FOR JESUS"

*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "D MINOR AND MAJOR" SCHEIDMAN

*CONGREGATION STANDS

ORGANIST, RITH J. BROWN
CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. WICKUM
CHIEF USHERS, DAVID ADAMS, BRUCE LEE

TODAY WE ARE happy to dedicate Matthew David
Lovell. He is the son of David and Mary Lou
Lovell. Matthew was born January 18.

BIRTHDAY THURSDAY Annette Ringley

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will publish next Sunday.

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY	7:30 Parish Council.
MONDAY	7:30 Board of Christian Education.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group. 8:00 Bible study. Read Matthew 21:1-11.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30 Women's Society at the church.

You can do the things Jesus did only if and
when you become the kind of love person he
was. He was pure love.

Stella Terrill Mann

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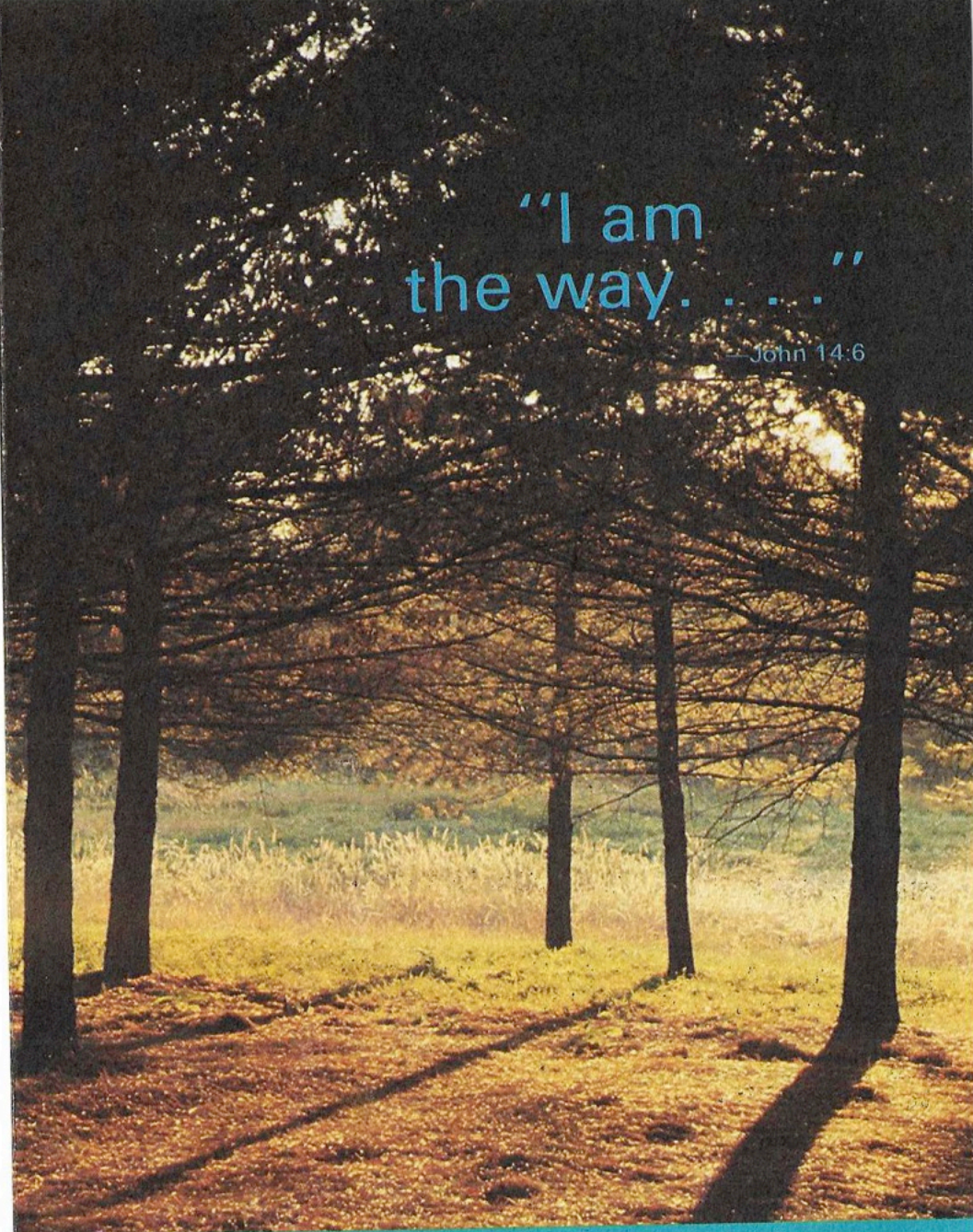
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"I am
the way. . . ."

—John 14:6



BLESS: to invoke good upon; to call forth the action of God; to confer God's good on something or someone; blessing imparts the quickening power that produces growth and increase.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group
8:00 Bible study - read Matthew 21:1-17

WEDNESDAY 9:00 Morning Circle with Carol Grubbs
7:30 Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY 7:30 Eva Shephard Circle with Helen Aleshire

NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School
10:45 Palm Sunday Worship
Installation of officers

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today.

PLEASE NOTE THE change in the Morning Circle meeting place. Bring scissors.

TODAY IS GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY. We welcome scouts to our worship.

BIRTHDAYS

Jennifer Beth Stephenson FRIDAY
Robert David Lovell SATURDAY

AND PREACH AS YOU GO, SAYING, "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND. HEAL THE SICK, RAISE THE DEAD, CLEANSE LEPROUS, CAST OUT DEMONS."

I am the way,
and the truth,
and the Life



THE
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5th SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 12, 1978
JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 AM

PRELUDE "LITANY OF THE PASSION" STAINER
"IT'S GOOD TO BE HERE!"
*HYMN, #442 "WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE"
*A PRAYER FOR EVERYONE
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
OLD TESTAMENT READING PSALM 138
SOLO "LORD TO THY DEAR CROSS" IRISH MELODY
COLLEEN WHITACRE
NEW TESTAMENT READING MATTHEW 12:33-37
OFFERTORY "THEME FROM PARSIFAL" WAGNER
*RESPONSE THE DOXOLOGY

PRAYERS
LESSON "KNOWING, THINKING, SAYING"
A DEDICATION

*HYMN, #167 "FOR THE BEAUTY"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "BE THOU EXALTED" NORDMAN
*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. WICKUM
ORGANIST, RUTH J. BROWN
CHIEF USHERS, DAVID ADAMS, BRUCE LEE

WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP! HURRY BACK

... and the king of glory
... and the king of glory
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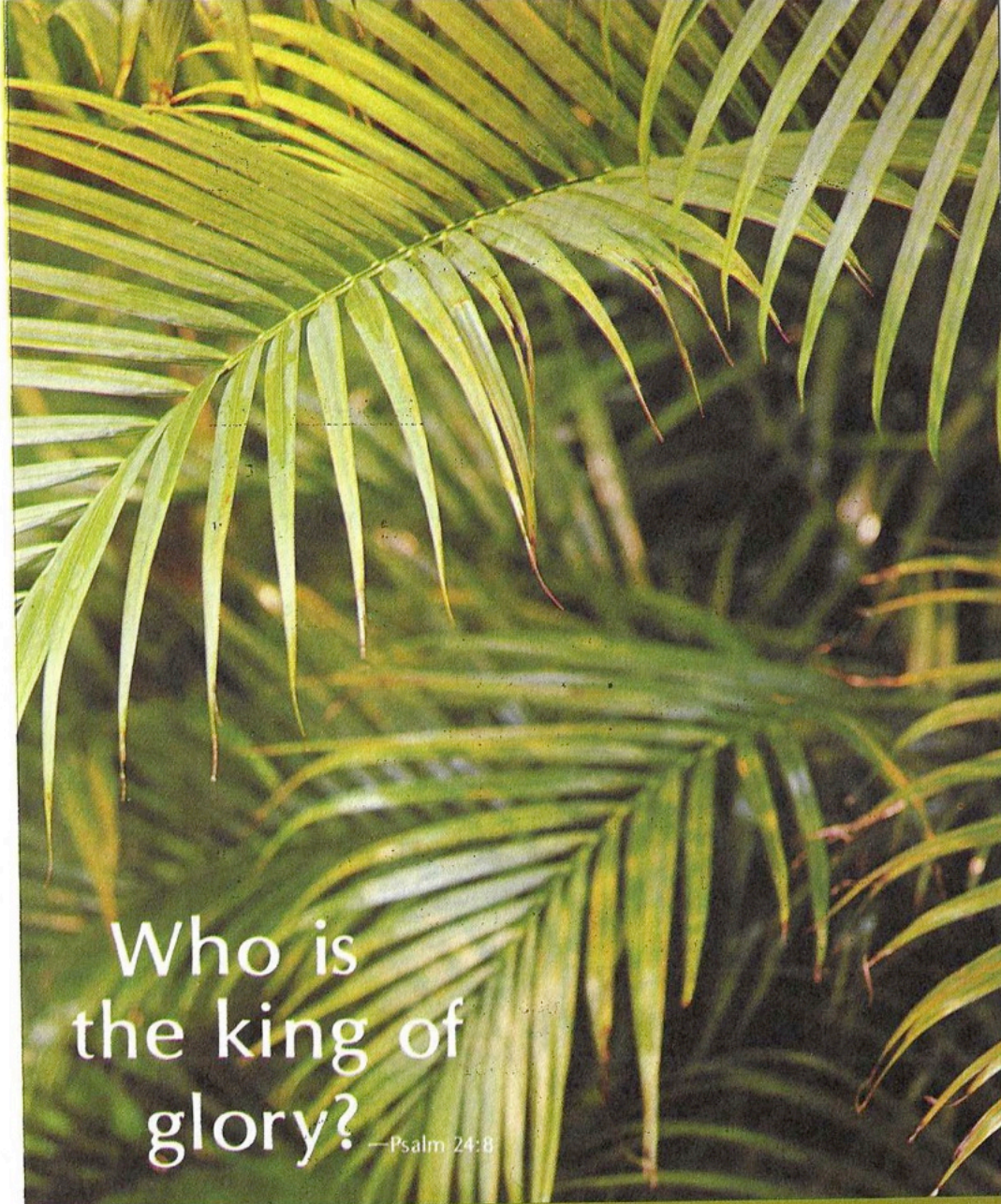
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Who is
the king of
glory? —Psalm 24:8





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DELAWARE
OHIO

PAIM SUNDAY

MARCH 19, 1978

PRELUDE "Gethsemane" Saxton
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #228 "The Wondrous Cross"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
THE SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:1-11
SOLO "The Palms" Faure
W. C. Wickum
MORNING PRAYERS
OFFERTORY "Via Dolorosa" Price
*RESPONSE The Doxology
LESSON "The Way that Works"
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
*HYMN, #235 "Beneath the Cross"
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE "Green Pastures" Scarmolin
*congregation stands

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Donald Brown, assisting
W. C. Wickum, choir director
Ruth J. Brown, organist
David Adams, Bruce Lee,
chief ushers

We welcome visitors to our
Worship. Please sign the
guest book in the vestibule.
We invite you to visit us
again.



THE EVENTS OF HOLY WEEK . . .

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group..
8:00 Bible study. Read
Matthew 21-27.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY 8:00 Candlelight Com-
munion in the Fel-
lowship Hall.

FRIDAY 1:00 Good Friday Worship
in 1st Presbyterian.

SUNDAY 7:30 Early Service.
8:15 Breakfast.
9:15 Church School.
10:45 Easter Worship.

BIRTHDAYS

FRIDAY Helen Aleshire
SATURDAY Carey Fogle

Flowers are a symbol
of Easter Life. We
invite you to share
your Easter flowers
with your church next
Sunday. They may be
brought to church on
Sat. night or Sun.
morning.

ALLELUIA!!!



GOOD FRIDAY



...exhort one another...

—Hebrews 3:13

... grow in the grace
and knowledge of our Lord. . . .

—2 Peter 3:18



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

James B. Stephenson, pastor

4/9/78

Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting near you came to pray. It will help you in your worship if you will read the Order of Worship before the service begins.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "The Lost Chord" Sullivan
CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Good morning!

People: Good morning!

Minister: Who do you think we really are?

People: We are the children of God. We are His Church.

Minister: What are we doing here?

People: We have gathered here to remember what it means to be a loving person, to be a follower of Jesus, and to be His Church.

Minister: Will you be honest during this hour?

People: We will try to be honest.

Minister: Will your minds and hearts be open to God's Word?

People: We will try to be open to God's Word.

Minister: Then let us stand and praise the Lord!

*THE DOXOLOGY

*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

We believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior;
We believe in His teachings, in His life, in His resurrection;

We believe that God is Love, and that in Him is no darkness at all;

We believe that God's Spirit is within all persons;

We affirm that we are growing into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME OF SILENCE

A PSALM OF PRAISE

(unison)

No. 146

*HYMN, #250

"Crown Him with many Crowns"

THE SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

John 11:1-44

SOLO

"Worthy Is the Lamb"

Gaither

W. C. Wickum

PRAYERS OF GOD'S CHURCH

THE OFFERTORY

"Intermezzo"

Mascagni

*HYMN, #252

"All Hail the Power"

LESSON

"How to Really Live"

MOMENTS OF DEDICATION

*DISMISSAL and ALLELUIA!!!

POSTLUDE

"To the Glory of God"

Heyser

* CONGREGATION STANDS

assisting in your worship

W. C. Wickum, choir director

Ruth J. Brown, organist

Betty Porter, organist for today

David Adams, Bruce Lee, chief ushers

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REFLECTIONS . . .

We sleep as Lazarus slept,
Bound by habit, wrapped in doubt, smothered
by fear,

A stone shuts out the sun . . .

But in the darkness LISTEN,

LIGHT calls to light,

A gentle BREATH blows life and in your dark

A SPARK glows and reflects the SON.

(S.U.)

Mind is the world I have been given

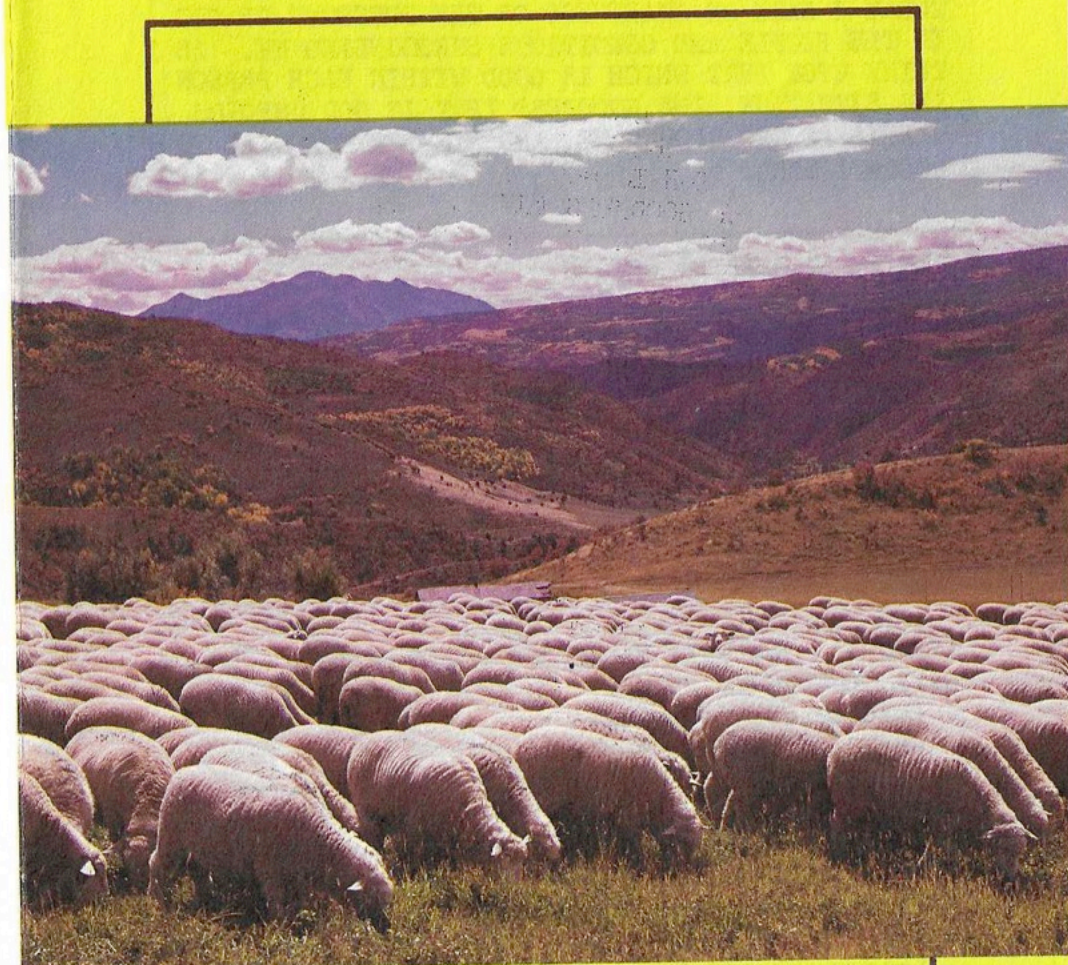
To take possession of and shape,

To build for all a hell or heaven,

A world for angel or for ape.

(James Dillet Freeman)

WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP. PLEASE SIGN
THE GUEST BOOK IN THE VESTIBULE.



"My sheep hear my voice,
and I know them. . . ." —John 10:27

TODAY I SEEK AN AWARENESS OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD
IN THE PEOPLE AND CONDITIONS SURROUNDING ME. AS I
THINK UPON THAT WHICH IS GOOD WITHIN EACH PERSON
AND SITUATION, THE GOODNESS THAT IS GOD UNFOLDS
WITHIN ME AND AROUND ME, AND HIS PERFECT WILL IS
ACCOMPLISHED.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, OH
James B. Stephenson, pastor

April 16, 1978

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

10:45am

Willard G. Fogle
presiding
Joel S. Baer
speaking

PRELUDE "We Will Honor God's Own House" Howell
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Good morning!

People: Good morning!

Leader: Welcome to another week of life.

People: We come to celebrate out of gratitude.

Leader: We celebrate not just the past but the
present.

People: We celebrate the presence of God within
us and around us.

Leader: We celebrate that we are in his image.

People: We praise God's goodness.

Leader: Let us praise him together.

*HYMN, #98 "Praise to the Lord"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

A NEW TESTAMENT READING No. 25

A TIME OF PRAYER

Silence

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

THE OFFERTORY "Morning" Stickles

*THE RESPONSE - The Doxology

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 19:21-20:6

SOLO "Come to Me" Beethoven

W. C. Wickum

LESSON "A Reference Point for Living"

Rev. Joel S. Baer

*HYMN, #258 "Ye Servants of God"

*BENEDICTION Alleluia

POSTLUDE

"Trinity Blessed"

Price

* CONGREGATION STANDS

Among those assisting you in worship are

W. C. Wickum, Choir Director

Ruth J. Brown, organist

David Adams,

Bruce Lee,

Chief ushers

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

Our speaker today is the Rev. Joel S. Baer, pastor
of the William Street United Methodist Church. Our
pastor is speaking at the William Street Church.

The rose on the altar is in honor
of Abby Jean Brown, daughter of
Donald and Dorothy Brown. Abby
was born at 5:26am, April 12, and
weighed 8lbs., 4oz.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Marjorie Smale

James & Sophia Stephenson

TODAY

MONDAY

TONIGHT	7:30 Concert by Karl Road Baptist Choir.
MONDAY	7:30 Parish Council.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
	7:45 Bible study.
WEDNESDAY	9:00 Morning Circle with Lees.
	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30 Shephard Circle with Barke- loos.
SATURDAY	9:00 Education conf. at Marion. See Wick or Carol for data.
HURSDAY, 9:30,	Women of Assoc. at Bryn Zion.



FUND OF RENEWAL

We are living in a time of tremendous inequality, a time of confusion, of searching for answers, a time of change. If the purpose of the living church is to serve as a reconciling agent to bring people together in the spirit and teachings of Christ, then it must address itself to the urgent problems of many of God's children. **FUND OF RENEWAL** senses the need for creative change and is actively involved in helping to make changes for the better.

FOR envisions change as coming through the cooperation of various ethnic groups in a common endeavor. Thus, two Baptist families, the mainly white American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A., and the mainly black Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., have joined hands to help minority groups by setting forth the gospel in both word and action.

To accomplish this goal, **FOR** has designed a program of bridge-building through the interlocking functions of fund-raising and education. The national goal is to raise a minimum of \$7.5 million in distributable funds. Of this amount, \$4,440,000 will help support Baptist-related minority institutions of higher education. Local projects which stimulate self-help, self-determination and self-development for minority groups, and which adhere to the Christian goals of **FUND OF RENEWAL**, will receive \$2,860,000.

As a strong addition to the fund-raising effort, **FOR** offers an educational program called, "Building Bridges to a New Community," that can continuously translate the teachings of Christ into actions of love and concern for all persons.

American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A.
Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.
Valley Forge, PA 19481



fund of renewal

BUILDING BRIDGES TO
A NEW COMMUNITY

\$7,500,000

Jointly sponsored by: the American Baptist Churches in the
USA and the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.

Morning has broken like the first morning,
 Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
 Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,
 Praise for them springing fresh from the world.

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,
 Like the first dew fall on the first grass.
 Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
 Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning,
 Born of the one light Eden saw play,
 Praise with elation, praise every morning,
 God's recreation of the new day.

Eleanor Farjeon

PRAISE JESUS !!

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 DELAWARE, OHIO

April 23, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR
 REV. HERSCHEL ROGERS, GUEST SPEAKER

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP		10:45am
PRELUDE	"Prelude"	Moore
CALL TO WORSHIP		
*HYMN, #95	"Joyful, Joyful"	
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER		
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING		No. 9
ANTHEM	"Lift up Our Hearts"	Irish Hymn
A NEW TESTAMENT READING		Romans 1:1-3a; 13-17
MORNING PRAYERS		
OFFERTORY	"Kum Bah Yah"	Wilson
*RESPONSE		The Doxology
LESSON		"Debt Free?"
The Rev. Herschel Rogers		
*HYMN, #378	"God of Grace and Glory"	
*BENEDICTION		Alleluia
POSTLUDE	"Chorus of Praise"	Johnston
* CONGREGATION STANDS		

Your presence, your meditation, and your prayers
 contribute to the atmosphere of worship and
 praise in our Sanctuary. We thank God that you
 are here with us! If you are a visitor, please
 sign the guest book in the vestibule.

Among those assisting in our worship are Ruth
 J. Brown, organist, W. C. Wickum, choir direc-
 tor, and ushers David Adams and Bruce Lee.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

TODAY	Nellie Sheets
MONDAY	Michael Grubbs
SATURDAY	Jennifer Cagwin
	Nancy Westbrook

We invite you to remain after worship for a
 covered dish dinner in the Fellowship Hall.
 Dr. Rogers will show a film on the Fund of
 Renewal.

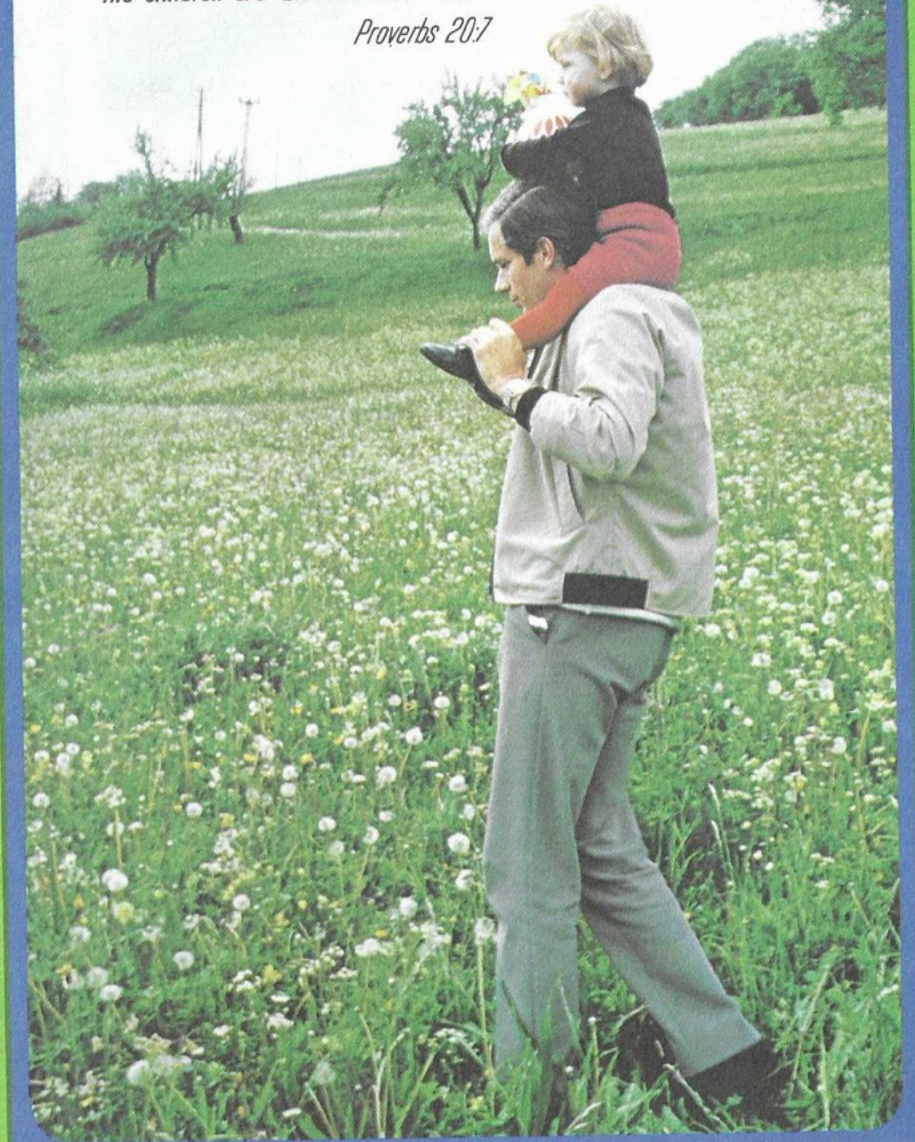
It is an honor to have Dr. Rogers with us to-
 day. He has served Ohio as head of the Fund
 of Renewal campaign.

OPPORTUNITIES -

TUESDAY	7:30	Healing Group.
	7:45	Bible study. Read Revelation 1-3.
WEDNESDAY	7:30	Choir rehearsal.
	8:45	Parish Council.

In the silence, in the night, sometimes we feel
 an unseen presence, hear an almost silent voice.
 Someone is searching for us, someone is reach-
 ing out toward us. We sense no fear, none at
 all. The searching presence is all love, all
 compassion. Men in all lands and in all times
 have sensed this presence and have given it many
 names. We know the secret name - IT IS JESUS.

*"The just man walketh in his integrity:
his children are blessed after him."
Proverbs 20:7*



AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN OF OHIO - CENTRAL AREA CONFERENCE

Karl Road Baptist Church
5750 Karl Road
Columbus, Ohio 43229

April 29, 1978

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Afternoon

"CHRIST'S CHALLENGE FOR TODAY'S MEN"

Morning

8:30 - 9:15	Registration	
9:15 - 9:30	Welcome and Song Service	Bob Shaw Fred Grubbs
9:30 - 10:05	Call to Prayer and Devotions	Dave Mellquist
10:05 - 10:20	Coffee Break	

10:20 - 10:30	Solo	Fred Grubbs
10:30 - 11:15	Guest Speaker	Dr. Carl H. Brown
11:15 - 11:30	Special Music	Fred Grubbs
11:30 - 12:15	Group Discussion	Share Groups

12:15 - 1:00	Lunch	
1:00 - 1:15	Song Service	Fred Grubbs
	Offering	
1:15 - 1:35	Ohio Camping - All ages	Bill Sheets
1:35 - 1:45	Solo	Fred Grubbs
1:45 - 2:15	Guest Speaker	Dr. Carl H. Brown
2:15 - 2:20	Break	

2:20 - 3:00	Group Discussion	Share Groups
3:00 - 3:30	Announcements and Group Evaluations	Group Leaders
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3:30	Closing Prayer	Rev. Owen Stewart



let
the
earth
rejoice!

Psalm 96:11

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR
APRIL 30, 1978

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You shall have silver
And you shall have gold -
Shimmer of moonlight
And sunlight to hold,
You shall lack nothing
On this earth below,
And shall be prospered
Wherever you go.
You shall be healthy
Through all of your days,
And shall be strengthened
In wonderful ways.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #423

"The Church's One Foundation"

*THE INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*THE DOXOLOGY

FELLOWSHIP TIME

A READING IN UNISON

Psalm 103:1-11

SOLO

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" trad.

Jeanne Ekelberry

A NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 5:1-11

MORNING PRAYERS

A SPECIAL MESSAGE

Marjorie Smale

THE OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

No. 422

LESSON

"Minimum Christianity"

*HYMN, #290

"I've Found a Friend"

*THE BENEDICTION

Alleluia

THE POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Ruth J. Brown

Chief ushers, Bruce Lee, David Adams

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WE WELCOME VISITORS to our church. Please sign the
book for guests in the vestibule.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

DEBBY LOVELL

Yesterday

MARGARET YOUNG

Monday

MYRTLE GABRIEL

Tuesday

DONALD FAULK

Tuesday

MICHAEL LINN

Wednesday

RICK VANBRIMMER

Wednesday

JEAN & JOE BROWER

Thursday

GEORGE YOUNG

Saturday

BERTHA VANBRIMMER

Nxt Sunday

OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group

7:45 Bible study (Rev. 1-3)

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY

10:00 May Fellowship Day at
our church. Covered
dish dinner

On Friday the women of our fellowship host the May Fellowship Day celebration for the community. The activities begin with registration at 10am. A covered dish luncheon is set for noon with beverage and dessert provided. Open to men as well as women.

Next Sunday we will receive our offering for the ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. Come prepared to be generous.

"I have come that you may have life and that more abundantly."

- Jesus

"For the
gate is narrow . . .
that leads to
life. . . ."

—Matthew 7:14

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE OHIO

MAY 7 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor
John P. Mansfield, assisting

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THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*HYMN, #451 "Here at Thy Table"

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

THE SCRIPTURE READING Mark 14:12-26

ANTHEM "Bless the Lord" Ippolotiff-Ivanoff

A SPECIAL MESSAGE Marjorie Smale

THE OFFERTORY

*THE RESPONSE The Doxology

LESSON "Mysterious Power Source"

. . . whenever two of you on earth agree
about anything you pray for, it will be
done for you by my Father in heaven.

Matthew 18:19

*HYMN, #411 "Dear Lord and Father"

HOLY COMMUNION

*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Ruth J. Brown

Chief Ushers,

David, Adams, Bruce Lee

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We welcome visitors to our church and invite you to
share further in the life and fellowship of our con-
gregation. Please sign the guest book on the table
in the vestibule.

We observe the practice of open communion and welcome
you to the table of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."
John 14:6a

BIRTHDAYS

TODAY
MONDAY
TUESDAY

Bertha VanBrimmer
Michael Ekelberry
John McTaggart

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY

3-5 Mother-Daughter Tea in
the Fellowship Hall.

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

7:45 Bible Study. Revelation
1-3.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY

7:30 Women's Mission Society
at the church. Polly
Focke will present the
program on THE WOMEN GOD
CHOOSES. Anne Linn will
have devotions on TRUST
AND OBEY.

All women and girls are invited to attend the tea
for Mothers-Daughters which will be held this after-
noon in the Fellowship Hall from 3 until 5 PM. There
will be fun, entertainment, and refreshments.

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I would say that normal Christian life involves
at least four main elements: personal commit-
ment to Jesus Christ and obedience to his teach-
ing, experience of the action of the Holy Spirit,
a shared life with other Christians, and fruit-
fulness in Christian service.

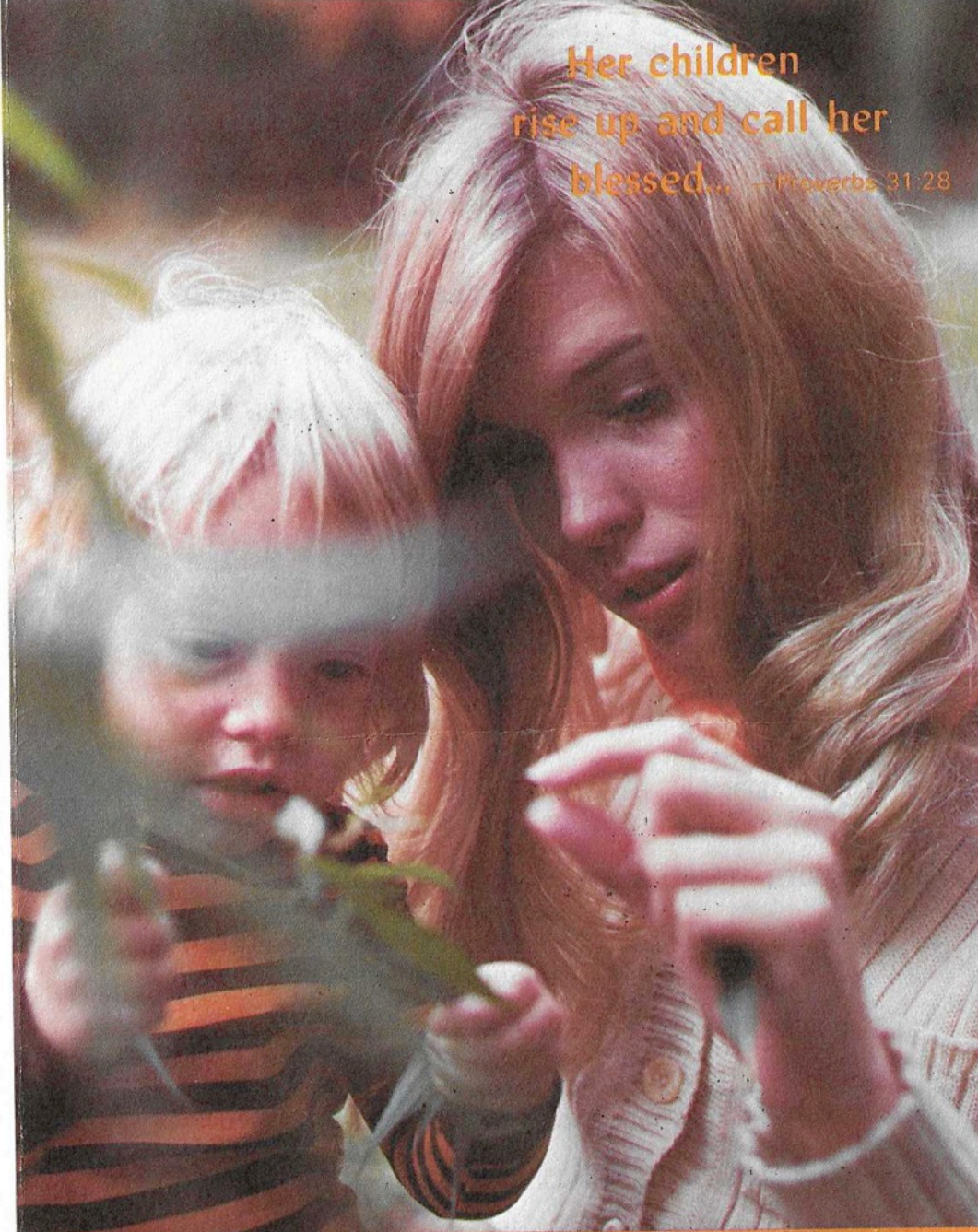
Ralph Martin

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The new church parsonage is 632 Congress Court. The
phone number has not been changed.

Pledge sheets for our FOR-BESQUI '76 campaign are
on the table in the vestibule.

Her children
rise up and call her
blessed... —Proverbs 31:28



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE OHIO

MAY 14 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Jean M. Wickum, assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP (Mothers' Day) 10:45am

PRELUDE "Songs My Mother Taught Me" Dvork
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #598 "Now Thank We"
INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 19
RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS
OFFERTORY "Cradle Song" Heller
*RESPONSE The Doxology
SOLO Sue Panek
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 3:1-8
LESSON MOTHER, SPIRIT, SON!
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
*HYMN, #272 "Spirit of God"
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE "Elevation" Battmann
*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum
Ruth J. Brown - ORGANIST
ORGANIST FOR TODAY - Betty Porter
David Adams, Bruce Lee - CHIEF USHERS

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

A special welcome to all mothers in the congregation.

Let us do today as she would have us do!
Let us be clean as she would have us be;
Let us be brave and fine and strong and true,
Fulfilling her dreams for you, her dreams
for me. (Grace Noll Crowell)

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

LAST FRIDAY	Jeanne Ekelberry
MONDAY	Jean Brower
TUESDAY	Dick & Jeanne Ekelberry
SATURDAY	Joe Brower

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

WEDNESDAY	7:30	Choir Rehearsal.
	9:00	(am) Morning Circle with Anne Linn.
THURSDAY	7:30	Shephard Circle with Ruth Brown.

There will be no meeting of the Healing Group
and Bible study this week.

There will be an open house at the Senior
Citizen's Center Tuesday, May 16, beginning
at 1:00pm at 38 South Franklin.

A CHOIR GET-TOGETHER for former and present
Choir members is set for Saturday, May 20,
at Jeanne Ekelberry's beginning at 7:30pm.
If you have not been contacted but plan to
attend please get in touch with Jeanne or
Colleen.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING is an opportunity to
join with your fellow Christians around the world
in reaching out to meet human need.

NOTES:

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... let us worship ... before the Lord, our Maker!

—Psalm 95:6



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James B. Stephenson
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Phone 363-7021
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TRINITY SUNDAY

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GOD THE FATHER - God above us
GOD THE SON - God beside us
GOD THE SPIRIT - God within us

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Variations on a Welsh Hymn" Price

A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #107

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*INVOCATION

Unison

Come, Holy Spirit, come: Come as the wind
and cleanse; come as the fire and burn;
convict, convert, consecrate our lives; to
our great good and your great glory; thru
Jesus Christ the Baptizer, Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 31

SPECIAL MUSIC

A PRESENTATION

Donald Brown

THE OFFERTORY

"Prayer"

Arkadieff

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

LESSON

FRUITFULNESS IN CHRISTIAN SERVICE

PRAYERS

*HYMN, #401

"Savior like a Shepherd"

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Price

*CONGREGATION STANDS

ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown
CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum
CHIEF USHERS - David Adams,
Bruce Lee

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

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BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Cagwin
Jean Wickum

Yesterday
Wednesday

OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY

7:30 Bd. of Ed.

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

7:45 Bible study.

WEDNESDAY

3rd annual Spring
Luncheon by Morning
Circle at McTaggarts.
7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

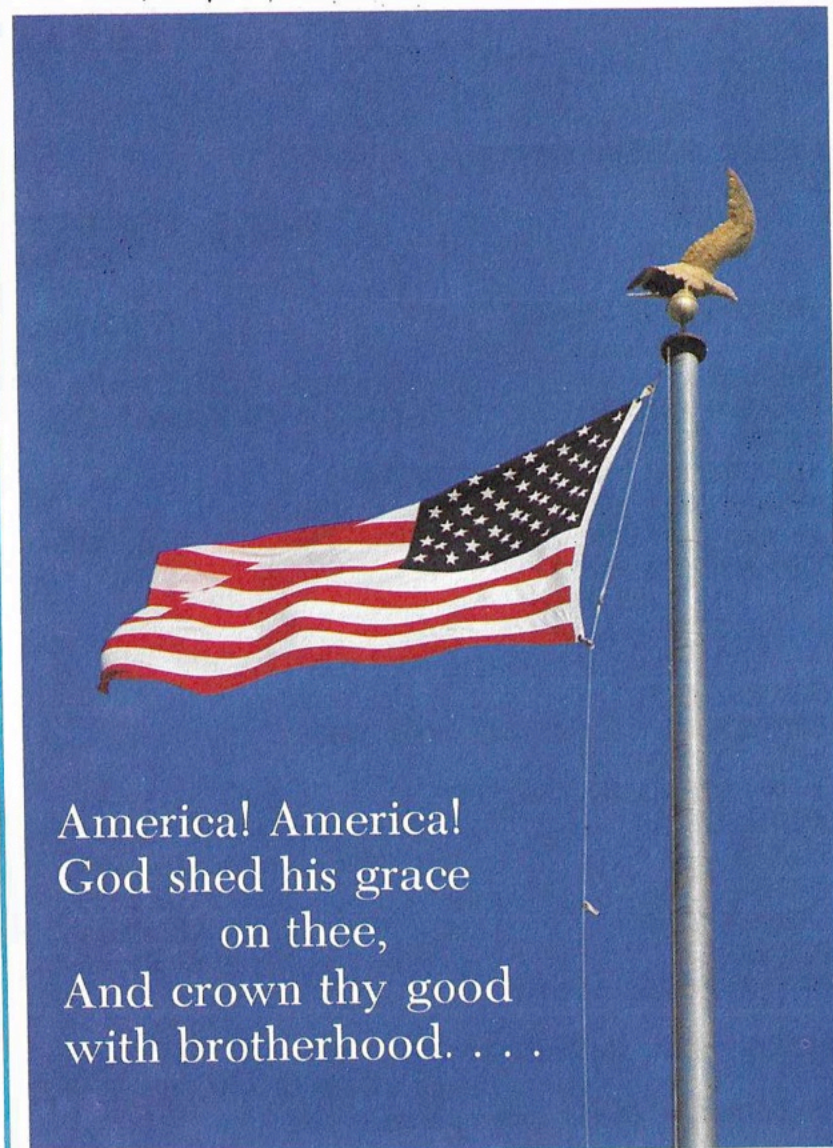
LOOKING AHEAD . . .

June 11 - Promotion Sunday.

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+ I would say that normal Christian life involves +
+ at least four main elements: personal commit- +
+ ment to Jesus Christ and obedience to his teach- +
+ ings, experience of the action of the Holy Spir- +
+ it, a shared life with other Christians, and +
+ fruitfulness in Christian Service. +
+ Ralph Martin +
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NOTES:



America! America!
God shed his grace
on thee,
And crown thy good
with brotherhood. . . .

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E X P E C T I T T O D A Y

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
MAY 28, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON
PASTOR

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

OPENING MOMENTS

"O Beautiful"

*HYMN, #550

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 25

THE MORNING PRAYERS

1) Invitation

2) Requests

3) Thanks & Praise

SPECIAL MUSIC

BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE DOXOLOGY

A NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 22:39-51

*HYMN, #214

"The Stories of Jesus"

LESSON

"The Wounded Healer"

*HYMN, #360 (1,2,4)

"Are Ye Able?"

*BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*Congregation stands

ORGANIST - Mrs. Ruth J. Brown

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum

CHIEF USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

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

We invite you to consider becoming a part of our fellowship. You may become a member by confession of faith in Christ or by transfer of membership from another Christian congregation.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

7:45 Bible study.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES . . .

SATURDAY

Peggy & Nevin Gabriel

NEXT SUNDAY

Myrtle and Cap Gabriel

THE NEWSLETTER SCHEDULED FOR THIS SUNDAY COULD NOT BE PUBLISHED DUE TO LACK OF SUBMISSIONS. WE WILL TRY TO PUBLISH NEXT SUNDAY BUT IT IS UP TO YOU.

FOR MEMORIAL DAY -

The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand,
Not in some distant point in space,
Not out far among the unborn years,
Not in some mysterious spot,
Nor beyond some lock-bound gate
Or forbidding barrier,
Nor in one place or another,
But here, at our fingertips.

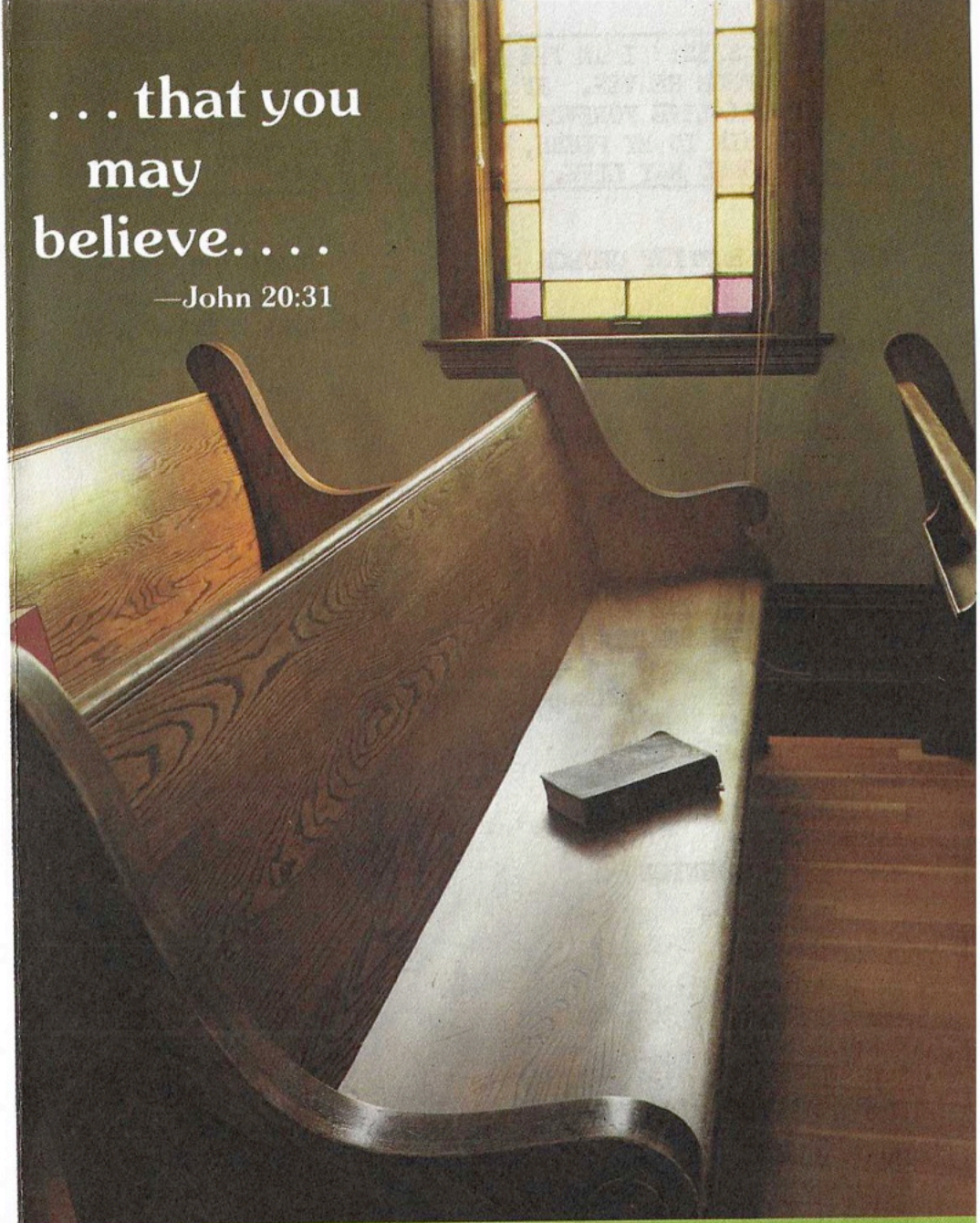
The Kingdom of Heaven is a possibility,
Ready to be made into an actuality.
We shall have it
When we reach out and take it.
When enough of us do so,
The world will have it too.

- Clarence Edwin Flynn

BELIEVE IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND YOU WILL BE
SAVED. Acts 16:31b

... that you
may
believe....

—John 20:31



JESUS SAYS: I AM THE LIVING BREAD THAT CAME
DOWN FROM HEAVEN. IF ANYONE EATS THIS BREAD
HE WILL LIVE FOREVER. THE BREAD THAT I WILL
GIVE HIM IS MY FLESH, WHICH I GIVE SO THAT
THE WORLD MAY LIVE. (John 6:51)

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH DELAWARE, OH.
James B. Stephenson, pastor
W. C. Wickum, assisting
June 4, 1978

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION 10:45am

PRELUDE "Close to Thee" Don Phillips
OPENING MEDITATION
*HYMN, #151 "Here at Thy Table"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 39
ANTHEM "Hosanna" Pooler
THE OFFERTORY "Chapel Bells" Stairs
*THE RESPONSE The Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 12:12-26
LESSON "The Missing Person"
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
*HYMN #293 "My Life, My Love"
THE HOLY COMMUNION Invitation
Institution
Blessing
Communion
Thanks
*HYMN, #190 "Joy to the World"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Exaltation" Hughes
*congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Chief ushers, Bruce Lee, David Adams

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please
sign the guest book in the vestibule. Our
fellowship observes the tradition of open
communion and we invite all who seek to fol-
low Jesus to join us at His Table.

OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK FOR JESUS:

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group
7:45 Bible study. Today's
Scripture.
WEDNESDAY 7:30 Parish Council. IMPORTANT
MEETING.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School classes meet
last time until Sept.
10:45 Children's Day with pro-
motion, recognition of grad-
uates, etc.
11:45 Go to Blue Limestone for all
church picnic, covered dish
style.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

TODAY Cap & Myrtle Gabriel
WEDNESDAY Dick Ekelberry
THURSDAY Pam Faulk
Carol Fogle
SATURDAY Elvira Smith
NEXT SUNDAY Fred & Lucille Via

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Get your
copy and take home those of your absent friends.

A lot of Christians are like wheelbarrows, no good
unless pushed.
Some are like footballs - you can't tell which way
they will bounce next.
Some are like balloons - full of wind and ready to
blow up.
Some are like canoes - they need to be paddled.
But some are like a good watch - open face, pure
gold, quietly busy and full of good works.
WHICH ARE YOU?

GO OUT WITH JOY AND BLESSINGS - CHRIST IS YOUR GUIDE!



“... to such belongs the kingdom of God.” —Mark 10:14



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR
JUNE 11, 1978

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "Prayer by Ambrasia"
*HYMN #214
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER W.C. Wickum
OLD TESTAMENT READING Sr. High
SPECIAL MUSIC Kindergarten, Primary, Middler
"Jesus Loves the Little Children"
"You Are the Church"
"Joy, Joy, Joy"
MORNING PRAYER J.B. Stephenson
OFFERTORY "Prayer from
Hansel and Gretel"
Humperdinck
Doxology
*RESPONSE Jean Wickum
NEW TESTAMENT PRESENTATION & the Junior Class
"The Good Samaritan"
*HYMN #482
DEVOTIONAL Sr. High Class
PROMOTION W.C. Wickum
GRADUATE RECOGNITION J.B. Stephenson
*HYMN "Jesus Loves the Little Children"
Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world;
Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in His sight;
Jesus loves the little children
of the world.
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE "Children's Day March" Larson

(*congregation stands)

Guest Organist Betty Porter
Guest Choir Director Mary Lou Lovell
Today's Ushers Jr. High Class

In recognition of Children's Day, our children and youth are leading our Morning Worship, under the direction of Sandra Cagwin, Children's Chr.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY Fred & Lucille Via
MONDAY Anne Linn
THURSDAY Charles Ekelberry

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

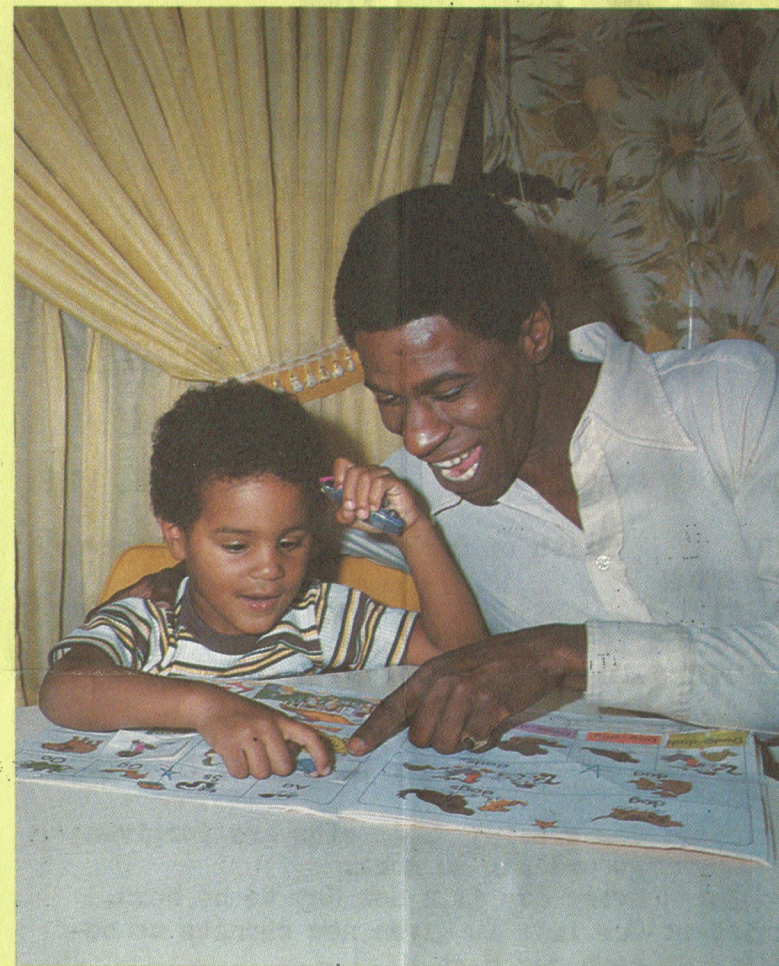
TODAY 12:00 Picnic at Blue Limestone
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group
7:45 Bible study. 1 Cor. 12-14. Gifts of the Spirit.
THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Mission Society at the Church. Pearl Brainard will speak for Church World Service.
NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 Morning Worship. There will be no Church School till Sept. 17.

Today we honor our high school graduates who are David Adams and Doug Lee from Hayes; and Chris Westbrook from Buckeye Valley. Graduating from college are Susan Panek (Ohio Wesleyan) and Bob Smith (Ohio State).

Each child in today's worship will receive a flower to take home.

Please note the change in our starting time next week.

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



A wise son makes a glad father. . . ."

— Proverbs 10:1



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JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR _ phone 363-7021 _

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 18, 1978

PRELUDE "Faith of Our Fathers" Hegarty
A MEDITATION
*HYMN, #171 "My Father's World"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*FELLOWSHIP TIME

NOW THAT WE HAVE HAD JOY
. . . .A LOOK AT OURSELVES

Minister: Jesus said, "Your sins are forgiven;
go and sin no more."
People: Every day is a new day to be born.
Minister: Our life is given new chances to be-
come our best.
People: In this moment, we are being made
over into the person we were meant
to be.
Minister: We are free from bondage to our past.
People: We are free to live fully in the
present.
Minister: The future is open before us.
People: We rise from our bed, and walk!

MINI-LESSON What My Faith means to Me!
Carolyn White
OFFERTORY "Canzonetta" Thomas
*RESPONSE The Doxology
SPECIAL MUSIC

LESSON "Who Dares to Call Him Dad?"
PRAYERS
*HYMN, #411 "Dear Lord and Father"
*BENEDICTION Alleluia
POSTLUDE "Postlude in C" Blake
*congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. Wickum
ORGANIST, Mrs. Charles Brown
USHERS, Bruce Lee, David Adams

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BIRTHDAYS

Cary Beth Trigg
Myrtle Smith
Fred Via

SATURDAY
SATURDAY
NXT SUNDAY

OPPORTUNITIES

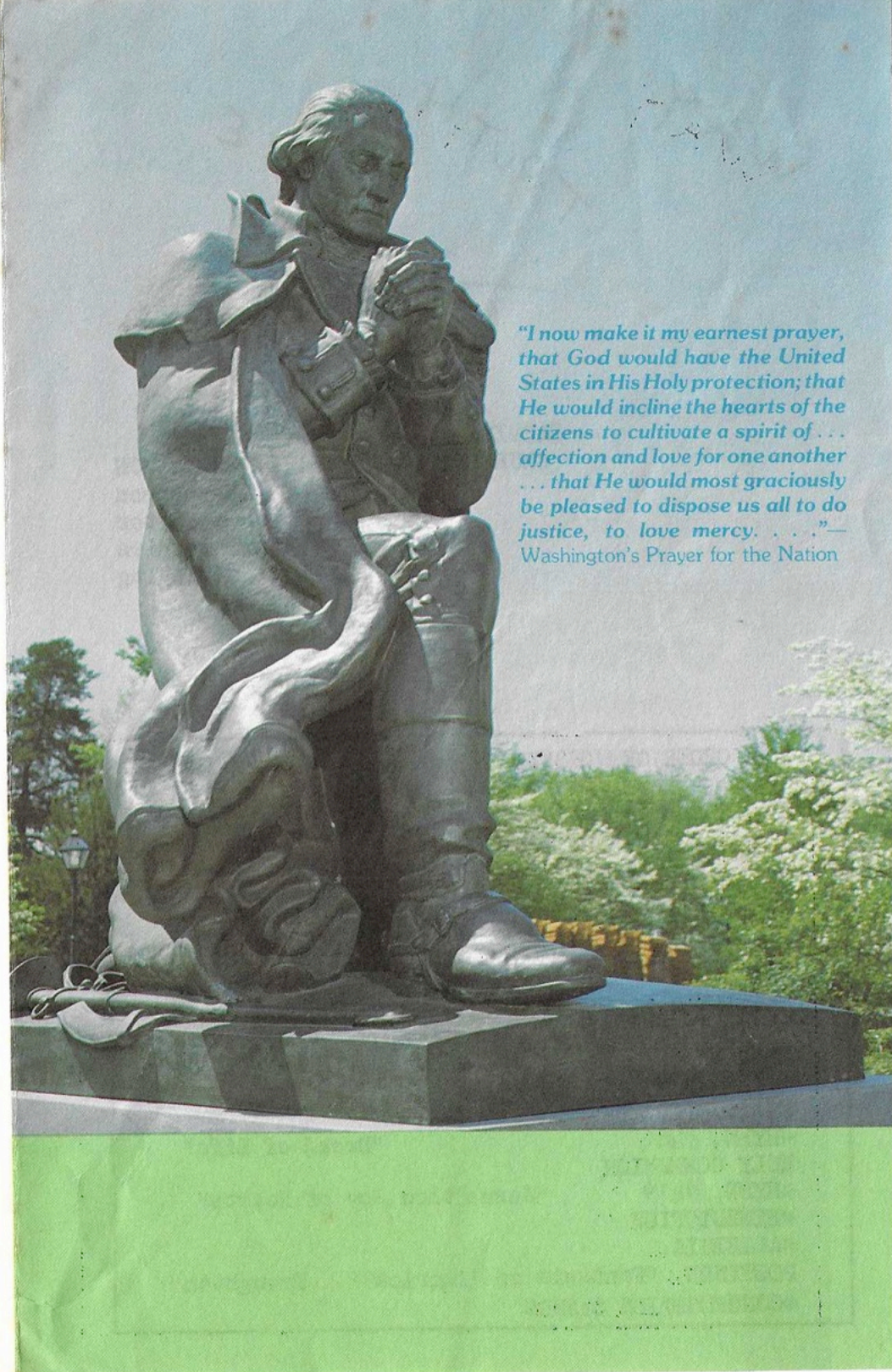
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group
7:45 Bible study
1 Cor. 14

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

Carolyn White is our first person to give a MINI-
LESSON as a part of our worship. We invite all
of you to share in this way with us.

Time is endless in thy hands, my Lord.
There is none to count thy minutes.
Days and nights pass and ages bloom and fade
like flowers.
Thou knowest how to wait.
Thy centuries followest each other perfecting
a small wild flower.

Rabindranath Tagore



*"I now make it my earnest prayer,
that God would have the United
States in His Holy protection; that
He would incline the hearts of the
citizens to cultivate a spirit of . . .
affection and love for one another
. . . that He would most graciously
be pleased to dispose us all to do
justice, to love mercy. . . ."*
Washington's Prayer for the Nation

WAY
TRUTH
LIFE

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Delaware, OH
James B. Stephenson
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Helen Aleshire
assisting

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 2, '78

PRELUDE "Meditation on 'Green Hill'" Hughes

SOME THOUGHTS ON WORSHIP

A PRAYER FOR ALL OF US

*HYMN, #110

"Praise the Lord"

*LORD'S PRAYER

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 3:1-6

OFFERTORY

"Prayer"

Kreutzer

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

LESSON

"Reach Out"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*HYMN, #461

"Bread of Life"

HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN, #419

"Jesus thou Joy of Hearts"

*BENEDICTION

*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Fantasia on 'America'"

Broughton

*CONGREGATION STANDS

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP! We observe the custom of open communion, and therefore invite all who love Jesus to join Him and us in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP WITH US AGAIN. If you do not have a church home in the city you will find us a group of friendly and loving persons who are glad to welcome you into our church family.

The light of God surrounds you;
The love of God infolds you;
The power of God protects you;
The presence of God watches over you.
Wherever you are, God is!

I met God in the morning
When my day was at its best.
And his presence came like
sunrise,
Like a glory in my breast.

All day long the presence
lingered,
All day long he stayed with me.
And we sailed in perfect calm-
ness
Over every troubled sea.

So I think I know the secret
Learned from many a sunny way.
You must seek him in the morn-
ing
If you want him through the day.
- Ralph Cushman (adapted)

Helping you in your worship are W. C. Wickum, Choir Director, Ruth J. Brown, Organist, and David Adams and Bruce Lee, chief ushers.

REMEMBER OUR PLANNING CONFERENCE JULY 12, 6:00pm.

KNOW YOU WILL HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!! BE HAPPY!!



...a witness for him to all men. 13 "

Acts 22:15

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JULY
NINTH
NINETEEN
SEVENTY
EIGHT

JAMES
STEPHENSON
PASTOR

Please be quiet in the Sanctuary,
someone sitting near you came to
pray.

10:00am

"Christian Soldiers"
Psalm 96
James VanBrimmer
Stainer
The Doxology
"Spiritual Combat"
"Stand up for Jesus"
ALLELUIA
Stainer

Organist - Ruth J. Brown
Organist for today - Betty Porter
Choir Director - W. C. Wickum
Chief Ushere - Bruce Lee, David Adams

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.
8:00 Bible study. Ephesians
1 - 3.

WEDNESDAY 6:30 Planning Conference.
All church officers.

THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Mission Society
at the church.

WEDNESDAY	Alpha Graham Pam Lathrop
FRIDAY	Kenny Brown
SATURDAY	Lucille Via
NXT SUNDAY	Donna Brown Donald Brown

Not more of light I ask, O God,
But eyes to see what is:
Not sweeter songs, but ears to hear
The present melodies:
Not more of strength, but how to use
The power that I possess:
Not more of love, but skill to turn
A frown to a caress.
No other gifts, dear God, I ask,
But only sense to see
How best these precious gifts to use
You have bestowed on me.

Author Unknown



... how majestic is thy name in all the earth! —Psalm 8:1



Everywhere
I find the signature,
the autograph of God,
and He will never deny
His own handwriting.
God has set
His temple
in the dewdrop
as surely as in the sun.
No man can any more
create the smallest flower
than he could create
the greatest world.

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JAMES
STEPHENSON
PASTOR

(Joseph Parker)

(363-7021)

July 16, 1978

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE "Matin" Young
A MEDITATION
*HYMN, #157 "All Creatures of Our God"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 19
MORNING PRAYERS
MINI-LESSON Janet Inscho
OFFERTORY "Prayer" Smart
*RESPONSE The Doxology
SOLO "Come, Holy Spirit" Gaither
W. C. Wickum
NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 2:1-7
6:10-13
LESSON "Spiritual Combat"
*HYMN, #151 "Lord of All Being"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Praise to the Father" Southbridge
*CONGREGATION STANDS

ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown
CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum
CHIEF USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

We welcome visitors to our worhsip. Please
sign the guest book in the vestibule. And
we invite you to worship with us again soon!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY	Donna Brown Donald Brown
TUESDAY	Peter and Linda White
FRIDAY	Bertha McTaggart
NXT SUNDAY	Alison Linn

OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
	8:00 Bible study. Read Ephesians 4-6.
NXT SUNDAY	10:00 Morning Worship.
	1:00 - 4:00 Open House at the new parsonage, 632 Congress Ct.
	2:00 Dedication of the parsonage.

THE WOMEN OF THE Marion Baptist Association
will meet Thursday, July 20, at the West
Mansfield Church, beginning at 9:30am. The
theme for the day is "Family of God." There
will be a nursery.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY invited to share in the
Open House next Sunday at the new parsonage,
632 Congress Ct.

* There's no defeat in life *
* Except from within, *
* Unless you're beaten there *
* You're bound to win. *
* Henry Austin *

“... A SIGN
OF THE COVENANT....”
—Genesis 9:13



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PASTOR

JULY 23, 1978

We welcome you
to our worship

may this hour
together
bring you an
experience
of God

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE
A MEDITATION
*HYMN, #107
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING
SOLO
OFFERTORY
*RESPONSE
NEW TESTAMENT READING
LESSON
*HYMN, #165
*BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown
"Holy, Holy, Holy"

No. 2
Rev. Edna Darling

The Doxology
Matthew 6:5-15; 7:7-12
"The Secret Room"
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
ALLELUIA
Mrs. Brown

* CONGREGATION STANDS

ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum

CHIEF USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

We invite our visitors to sign the guest book in the
vestibule. And we urge you to worship with us again.

The Spirit can give us only what we can take.
- Ernest Holmes

It is done unto you as you believe.
- Jesus Christ

BIRTHDAYS

TODAY
WEDNESDAY

Allison Linn
Jeffrey Faulk
Amy Stephenson

OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group
7:45 Bible study -
today's Script.

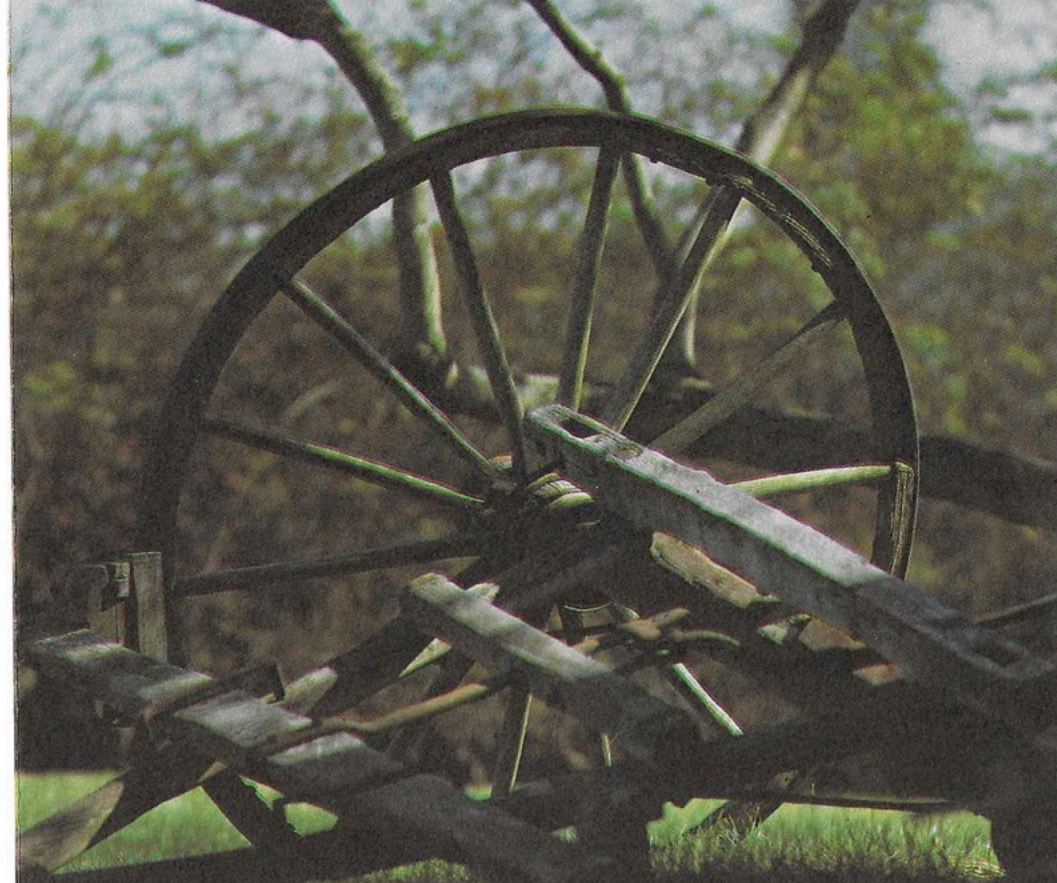
TODAY IS OPEN HOUSE AND Dedication of the new par-
sonage at 632 Congress Court. Hours are 1 - 4 and
the Dedication is scheduled for 2:00. We most
cordially invite your participation.

THE MIDSUMMER BUSINESS MEETING is set for after
church next Sunday. Plan to attend.

When we learn to trust the Universe, we shall be
happy, prosperous, and well. We must learn to
come under the Divine Government, and accept the
fact that Nature's table is ever full. Never was
there a Cosmic famine. No matter what our emotion-
al storm, or what our situation may be, there is
always a something hidden in our inner being. We
may stumble, but there is always that Eternal Voice,
forever whispering within our ear, that thing which
causes the eternal quest, that thing which forever
sings and sings.

Ernest Holmes (adapted)

Have a happy week!



... he has appointed a time for every matter. . .

—Ecclesiastes 3:17



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

July 30, 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor Phone 614/363-7021

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Our failure to experience the Christian life in its fullness is due primarily to our failure to express life in its fullness. That which we send out comes back; we reap as we sow; we receive as we give. Remember that every thought is something given, every word is a seed sown.

- United Prayer Tower

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE
A MEDITATION

Mrs. Brown

*HYMN, #412

"Blessed Assurance"

*INVOCATION (unison)

O God, creator of Light, lead us in our worshiping this day; that our lips may praise you, our meditations may glorify you; our lives may bless you; thru Christ our Lord.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 34

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

HEALING PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 4:35-41

Matthew 14:22-33

LESSON

"Storm and Presence"

*HYMN, #401

"Savior like a Shephard"

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*congregation stands

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TODAY

11:00 Midsummer business meeting.

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group and all others interested in healing.

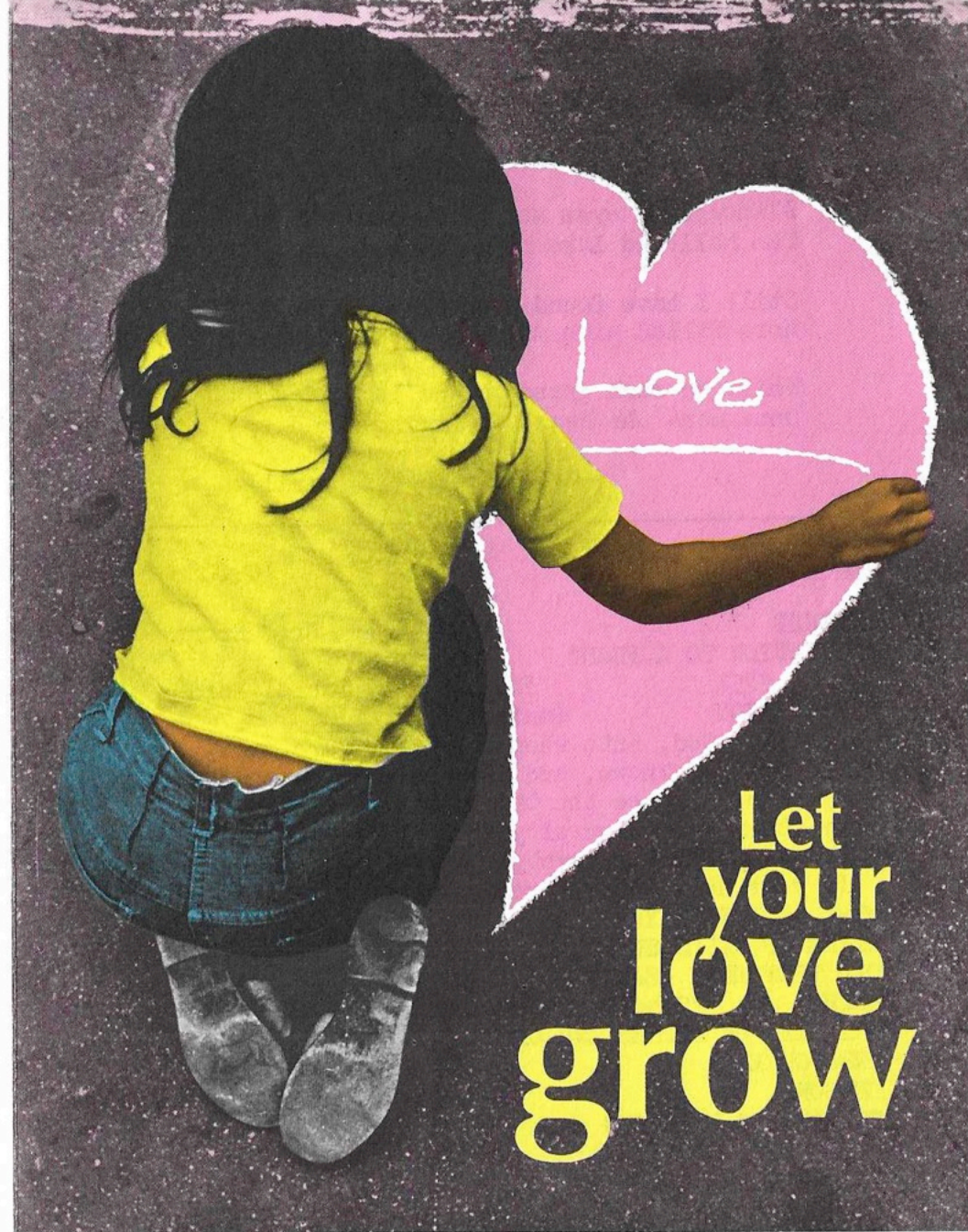
REMEMBER OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, August 7 - 11 from 7:00 - 9:15 P.M. Classes are available for 2 years thru adults. The theme is JESUS, GOD'S WONDERFUL GIFT. For reservations call 363-7021, 369-6785, or 369-6041. For transportation call 369-6785.

BIRTHDAY

Carolyn G. White

WEDNESDAY

NOTES -



Let
your
**love
grow**

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio
August 6, 1978

Although my eyes may never see
The hallowed Lake of Galilee,

Still I have found each little lake
More filled with meaning for His sake.

While on each grassy slope is spread
Once more the Feast of Living Bread.

- Belle Morrill

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

INVITATION TO A FEAST

*HYMN, #451

"Here at Thy Table, Lord"

*INVOCATION

(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 your Holy Spirit, that
we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify
your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 12

ANTHEM

"Come Praise the Lord"

Brougham

BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

LESSON

"LOOKING"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*RESPONSE, HYMN, #341

"I Need Thee"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum

ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown

CHIEF USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

James B. Stephenson, pastor
Willard G. Fogle, assisting

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins tomorrow night at 7pm.
Classes and activities are available for 2 years
old through adult. The school concludes Friday.

Adults will hear, among others, Bamayangay
Massquoi of Sierra Leone, pastor of St. Luke's
United Methodist Church, Columbus and student
at the Methodist Theological School, who speaks
Tuesday, Rev. Edna Darling on Wednesday, and on
Thursday Fred Grubbs and the Carpenter's Tools
will present a program of contemporary gospel
music.

BIRTHDAYS . . .

Jennifer Porter
James VanBrimmer
Nevin Gabriel
Steve Stoner
Frances Belt

MONDAY
TUESDAY
THURSDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY

We are happy to welcome visitors to our service today. Please sign the guest book in the vestibule. And we invite you to worship with us again.

Our healing group will not meet Tuesday. The next meeting will be August 15.

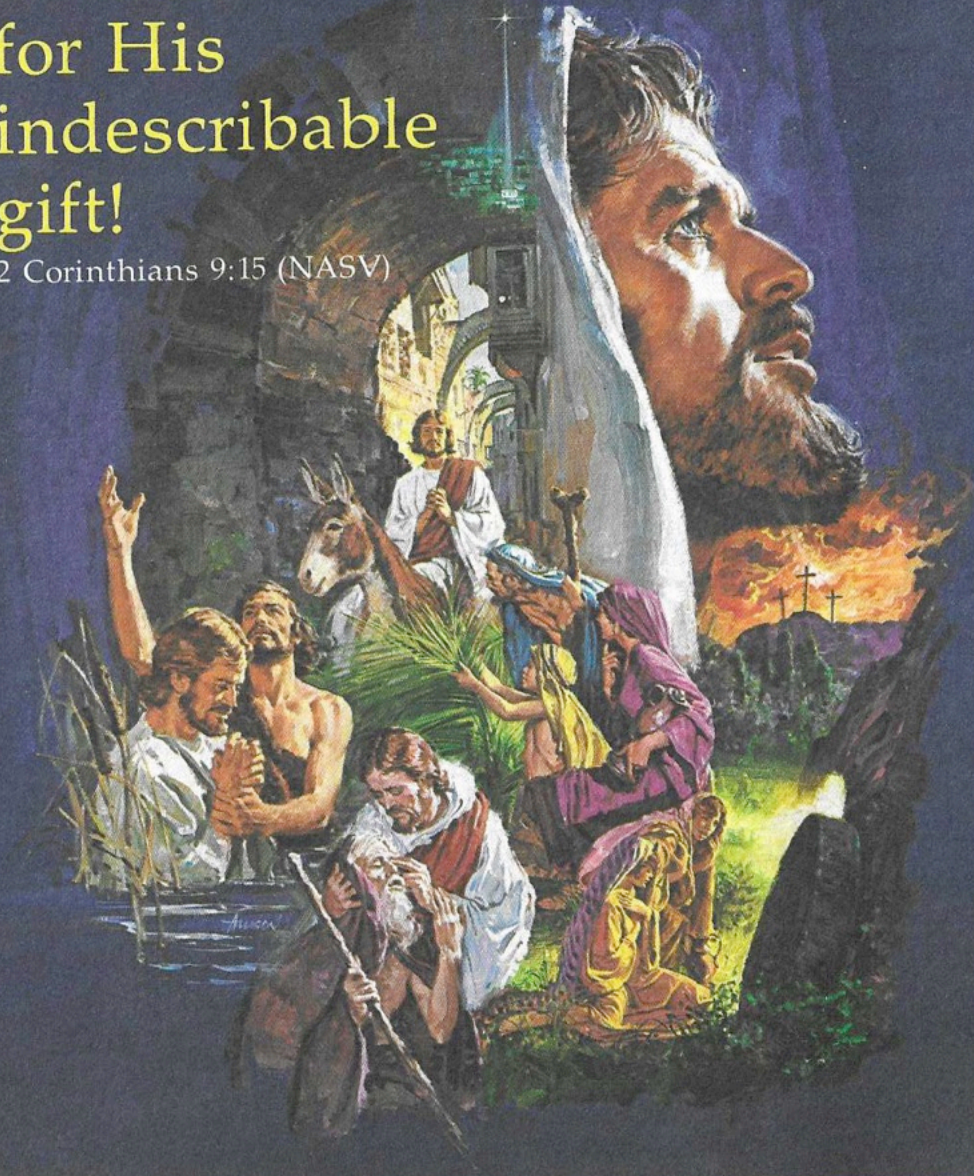
Have you returned your Retreat registration card to Carol Grubbs?

If anyone says to this mountain, "Be lifted from your place and hurled into the sea," and has no inward doubts, but believes that what he says is happening, it will be done for him. I tell you, then, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours.

Mark 11:23,24

Thanks be
to God
for His
indescribable
gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15 (NASV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio
August 13, 1978

If anyone says to this mountain, "Be lifted from your place and hurled into the sea," and has no inward doubts, but believes that what he says is happening, it will be done for him. I tell you, then, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours.

Mark 11:23,24

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE "A Galilean Hillside" Smith
MOMENT OF MEDITATION
*HYMN, #167 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
A PSALM (unison) No. 46
SOLO Rev. Edna Darling

A SPECIAL MESSAGE Carol Grubbs

OFFERTORY "Trusting Thee" Broughton
*RESPONSE The Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 11:22-25

LESSON "Faith and Mountains"

HEALING PRAYER
*HYMN, #331 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Sing Praise to God" Paxton
*congregation stands

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum
Organist - Ruth J. Brown
Chief ushers - David Adams, Bruce Lee

We welcome visitors to our church this morning. May we have your name and address in the guest book in the vestibule. And we invite you to worship with us again soon.

The posters were made by the Junior Hi class during Vacation Bible School. Teachers were Linda White and Jim Stephenson.

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, pastor

614/363-7021
632 Congress Ct.

Take time to visit the handcraft of the Vacation Bible School. They are in the Church School Room.

We congratulate and thank Carol Grubbs and all who worked in the Vacation Bible School.

The Healing Group will meet at 7:30pm Tuesday and Bible study will follow at 8:00. All of you are invited to attend. Read today's scripture for background.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

THURSDAY Charles Eliot
FRIDAY Larry and Pam Faulk

When I was three or so
Every morning
Jacob or someone
Slid a golden ladder
Through my window.
It reached from heaven
To my bedroom floor.

I sat in
God's warm circle of love
And watched his angels dance.
- Paul Grabill

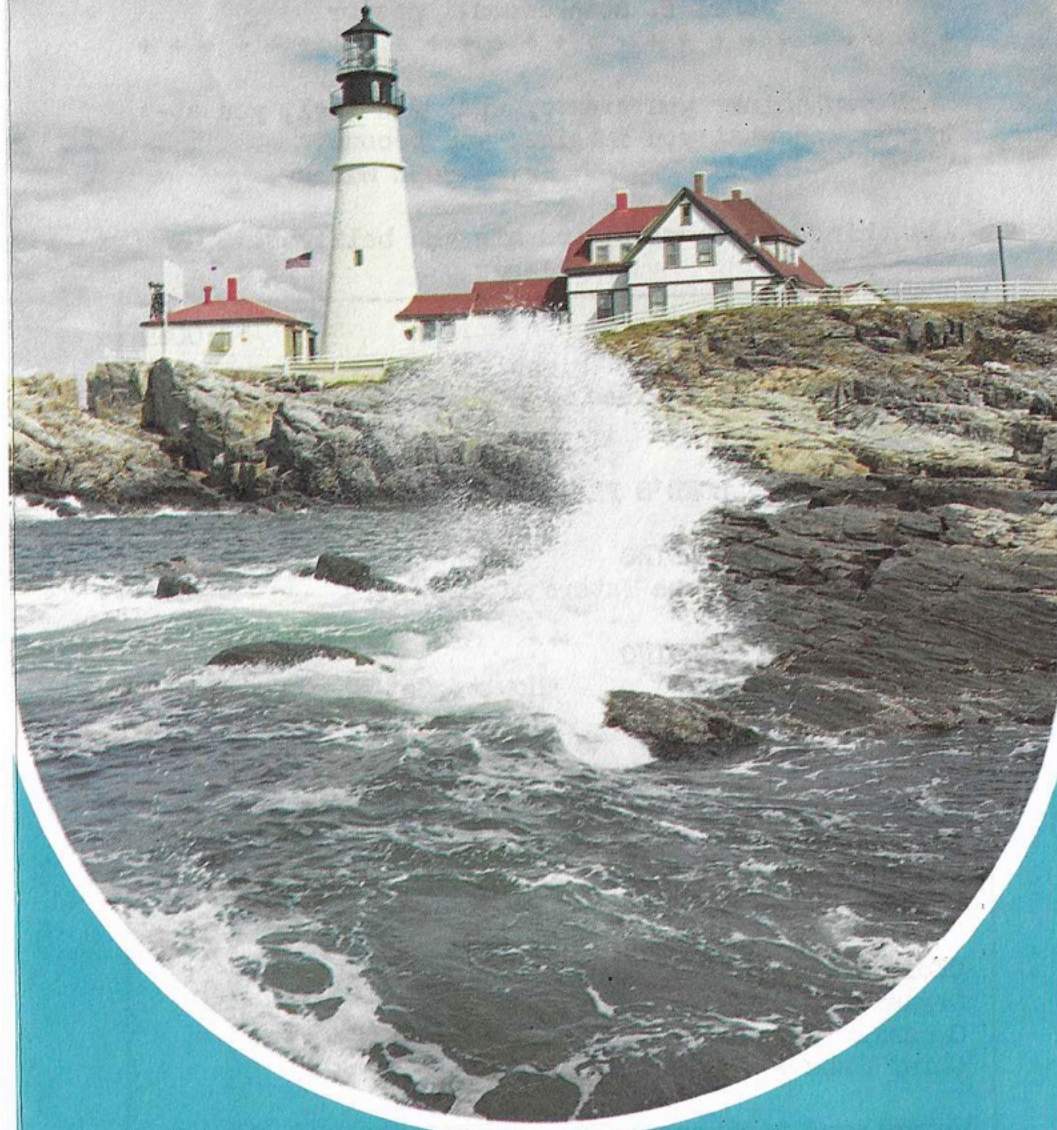
CHRIST AT THE HEART OF ME KEEPS ME CALM, CONFIDENT,
SERENE AND POISED.

According to your faith be it done to you.
Matt. 9:29

God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a
spirit of power and love and self-control.
2nd Timothy 1:7

He who trusts in the Lord is safe.
Proverbs 29:25

... he will set me
high upon a rock. ...
—Psalm 27:5



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH DELAWARE, OHIO

MORNING WORSHIP

August 20, 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor

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What you think, you create; what you feel, you attract; and what you imagine, you become.

Dr. Joseph Murphy

All things are possible to him who believes.

Jesus

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE "Christ on Thee My Hope Is Stayed" Pachelbel
A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #527

"Jesus Shall Reign"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 42

OFFERTORY "By the Waters of Babylon"

Wolf

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 6:6-11

LESSON

"How to Get What You Need"

HEALING PRAYER

*HYMN, #346

"Take Time to Be Wholly"

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

"Postlude in E Flat"

Landon

*congregation stands

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum

Organist - Ruth J. Brown

Organist for today - Mary Lou Lovell

Chief Ushers - David Adams, Bruce Lee

We welcome visitors to our worship this morning. We invite you to sign the guest book in the vestibule. And worship with us again soon!

HAVE A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS WEEK!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES . . .

Jim Stephenson

MONDAY

Mildred Bowers

WEDNESDAY

Dick & Evelyn Lee

WEDNESDAY

Florence Faulk

THURSDAY

Linda White

NXT SUNDAY

OPPORTUNITIES . . .

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

8:00 Bible Study.

Today's Script.

OUR CHURCH'S NEWSLETTER will be published next Sunday. All material must be submitted to the church office or parsonage no later than Wednesday night. News of your vacation will be appreciated.

FOOD FOR SPIRIT, MIND, AND BODY . . .

It is only imperfection that complains of what is imperfect. The more perfect we are, the more gentle and quiet we become toward the defects in others.

Fenelon

Mind is the Master-Power that molds and makes.

And Man is Mind, and evermore he takes

The Tool of Thought, and shaping what he wills,

Brings forth a thousand joys, a thousand ills -

He thinks in secret, and it comes to pass:

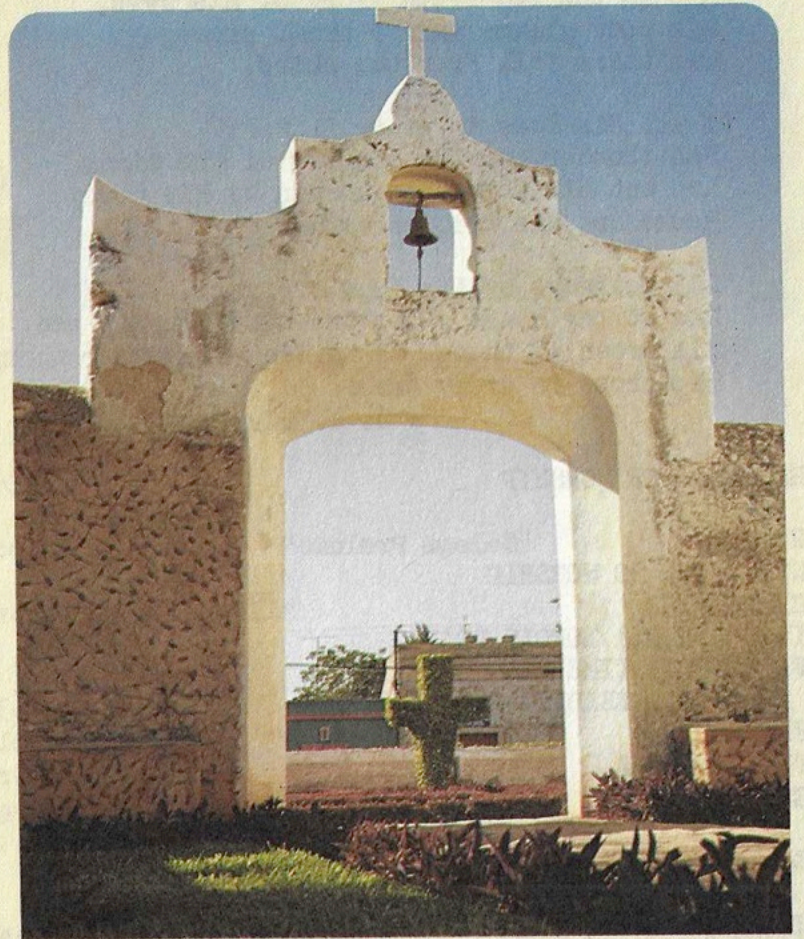
Environment is but his looking glass.

James Allen

We should cherish and maintain our highest wish as something sacred, something given to us by God to cherish, to bring to fulfillment. For it is in the fulfillment of one's highest and best and deepest wish that the purpose of life lies.

Hazrat Inayat Khan

LIVE!



How lovely is thy dwelling place. . . .

—Psalm 84:1

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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August 27, 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor

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I see His blood upon the rose
And in the stars the glory of His eyes,
His body gleams amid eternal snows,
His tears fall from the skies.

I see His face in every flower;
The thunder and the singing of the birds
Are but His voice-and carved by His power
Rocks are His written words.

All pathways by His feet are worn,
His strong heart stirs the ever-beating sea,
His crown of thorns is twined with every thorn,
His cross is every tree.

- J. M. Plunkett

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE

"Solemn Prelude"

Laison

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #252

"All Hail the Power"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 4:21-34

OFFERTORY

"Benediction in D"

Wely

*THE RESPONSE

The Gloria Patri

LESSON

"The Way of Giving"

HEALING PRAYER

*HYMN, #281

"Jesus Calls Us"

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

"March from 'Athalia'"

Mendelssohn

*congregation stands

Choir Director

W. C. Wickum

Organist

Ruth J. Brown

Organist for today

Betty Porter

Chief ushers

David Adams, Bruce Lee

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We welcome visitors to our services. Please sign the
guest book in the vestibule. And worship here again!

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER IS AVAILABLE today. Get your
copy in the vestibule.

THE HEALING GROUP meets Tuesday at 7:30pm. The Rev.
David Osborne will be with us and share with us. All
are invited.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Linda White

TODAY

Fred & Carol Grubbs

WEDNESDAY

IT IS STILL NOT TOO LATE to register for the retreat
at Judson Hills, Sept. 8, 9, 10. Contact the church
office or Carol Grubbs. Cost is only \$16 for the
weekend; under 12, \$10; babies free. A retreat fund
is available to assist you if help is needed. We are
very fortunate in having Dr. John Sundquist, execu-
tive minister of Ohio, as our leader. It will be a
weekend you will always remember.

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All this week I am going to live worthily as a child
of God. His love is round me. Underneath are the
everlasting arms. I am going to be honest and true,
and brave in all the events of life, and I believe
that to those who love God all things work together
for good. I am going to rise above all worry, fret-
ting, fear, and hatred, to live in an atmosphere of
spiritual serenity. My life is part of God's plan,
and that which is divine within me can never fail nor
be defeated. Behind all that comes, God's love and
wisdom will be present to strengthen and sustain.

- Albert N. Palmer

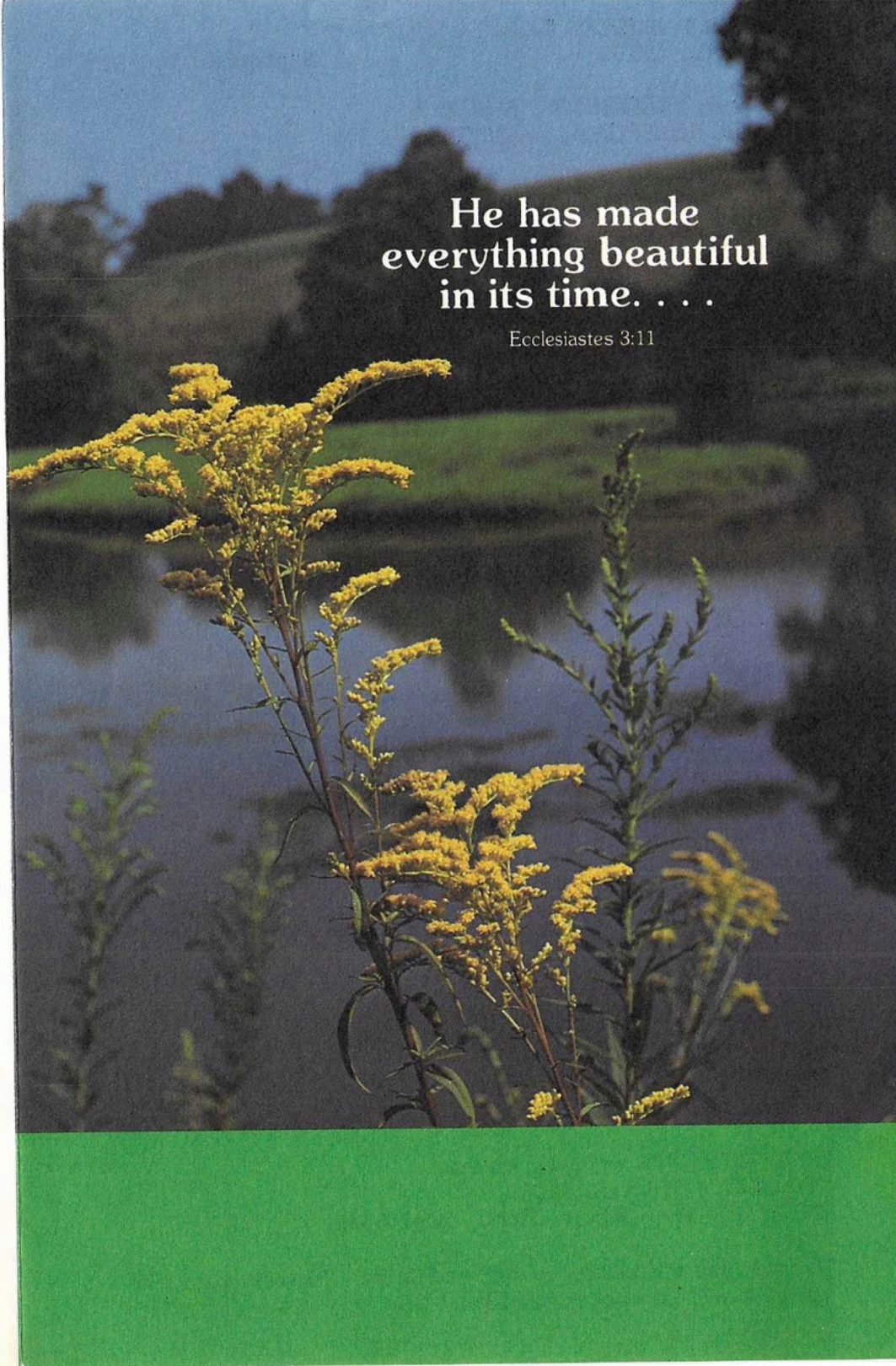
O living Christ, make us conscious now of your heal-
ing nearness. Touch our eyes that we may see you;
open our ears that we may hear your voice; enter our
hearts that we may know your love. Overshadow our
souls and bodies with your presence, that we may par-
take of your strength, your love and your healing
life.

Speak to Him thou, for He hears, and spirit with
spirit can meet;

Closer is He than breathing, and nearer than hands
and feet. (Tennyson)

He has made
everything beautiful
in its time. . . .

Ecclesiastes 3:11



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO

September 3, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, PASTOR
JOHN P. MANSFIELD, ASSISTING

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It's the human touch in this world that
counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which means far more to the fainting heart
Than shelter and bread and wine;
For shelter is gone when the night is over
And bread lasts only a day,
But the touch of the hand and the sound of
the voice
Sing on in the soul always.
- Spencer M. Free

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00am

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #331

"What a Friend"

*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:22-35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

The Doxology

LESSON

"Bread from Heaven"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*HYMN, #461

"Bread of Life"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum

ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown

CHIEF USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign the
guest book in the vestibule. Worship with us again!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

TUESDAY

Donald & Florence Faulk

SATURDAY

David Adams

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group and Bible
Study.

FRIDAY

Retreat begins at Judson Hills.
Arrival time - 6 to 8pm. Re-
treat ends after lunch Sunday.

SUNDAY

No activities at the church. If
not on retreat attend church of
your choice.

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Look to this day,
For it is life.
The very life of life -

For yesterday is but a dream
And tomorrow is only a vision,
But today, well lived,
Makes every yesterday a dream of
happiness
And every tomorrow a vision
of hope.

Look well, therefore, to this
day.

Sanskrit Proverb

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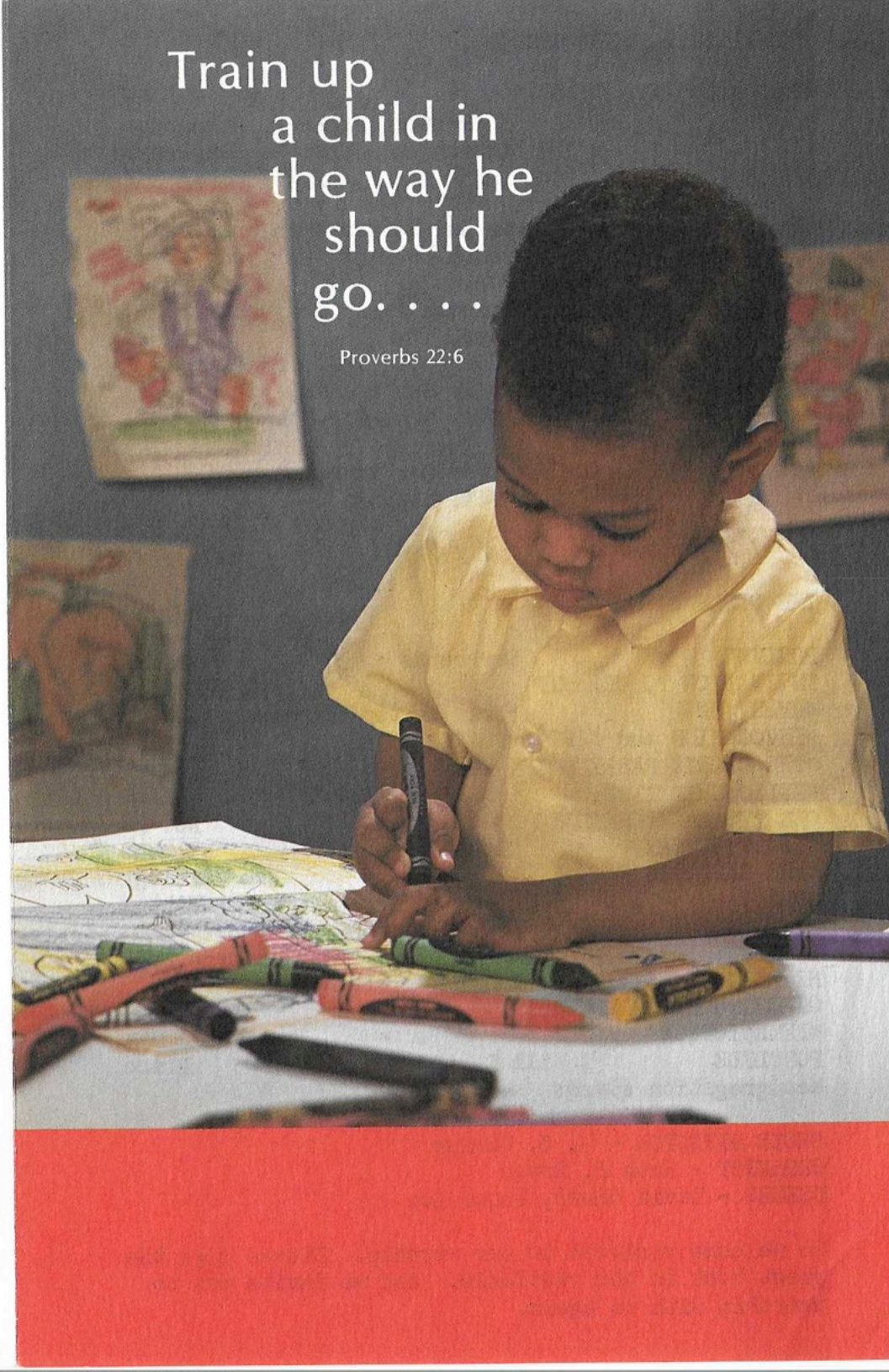
Always give thanks for everything to God the
Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Ephesians 5:20

Put on the new Self.

Colossians 3:10b

Train up
a child in
the way he
should
go. . . .

Proverbs 22:6



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
SEPTEMBER, 17, 1978

Pastor, James B. Stephenson
Assisting, James M. Stephenson

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Why should I wish to see God better than this day?
I see something of God each hour of the twenty-four,
and each moment then,
In the faces of men and women I see God, and in my
own face in the glass,
I find letters from God dropt in the street, and
every one is signed by God's name,
And I leave them where they are, for I know that
wheresoe'er I go,
Others will punctually come for ever and ever.
Walt Whitman

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

PRELUDE "Sarabande" Handel
INVITATION TO WORSHIP - THE PROMISES
*HYMN, #214 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 20
THE OFFERTORY "Reverie" Higgins
*THE RESPONSE The Doxology
SOLO "My God and I" Wihtol
W. C. Wickum
LESSON "Letters from God"
HEALING PRAYERS
OFFERING FOR BLANKETS - BLESSING
*BENEDICTION - ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "I Will Praise Thee" Price
*congregation stands

CHOIR DIRECTOR - W. C. Wickum
ORGANIST - Ruth J. Brown
USHERS - David Adams, Bruce Lee

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guest book in the vestibule. And we invite you to
worship with us again.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK -

MONDAY 7:30 Parish Council at the church.
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY 9:00 Morning Circle with Cagwins.
7:30 Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY 7:30 Shephard Circle at the Careys.
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.
10:45 Morning Worship.
11:45 Covered dish dinner in the
Fellowship Hall.

TODAY IS BLANKET SUNDAY. . . For only \$4 each, Church
World Service supplies thousands of 70% wool blankets
to victims of disasters both overseas and here. Your
generous gift goes in the name of Christ.

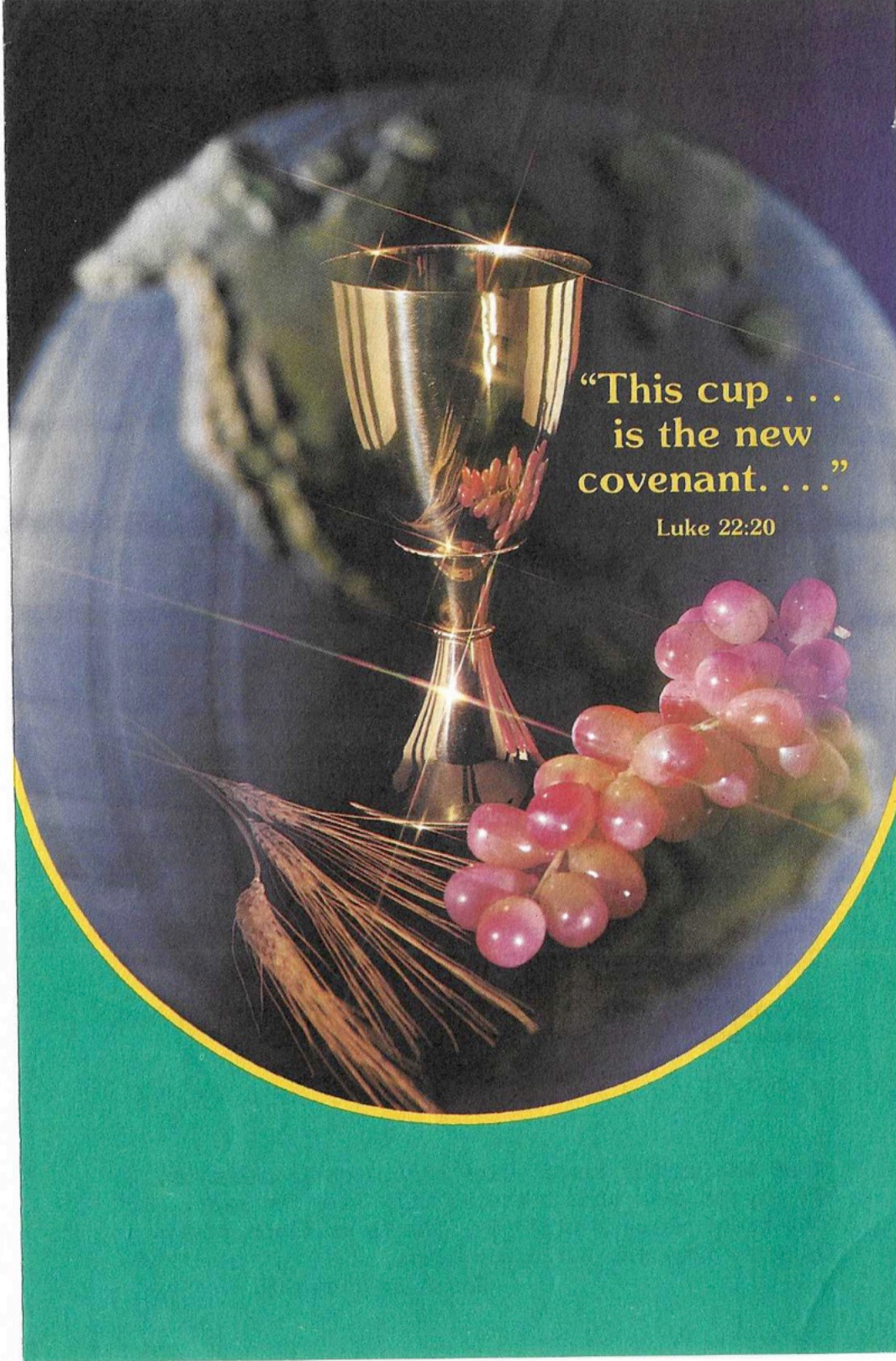
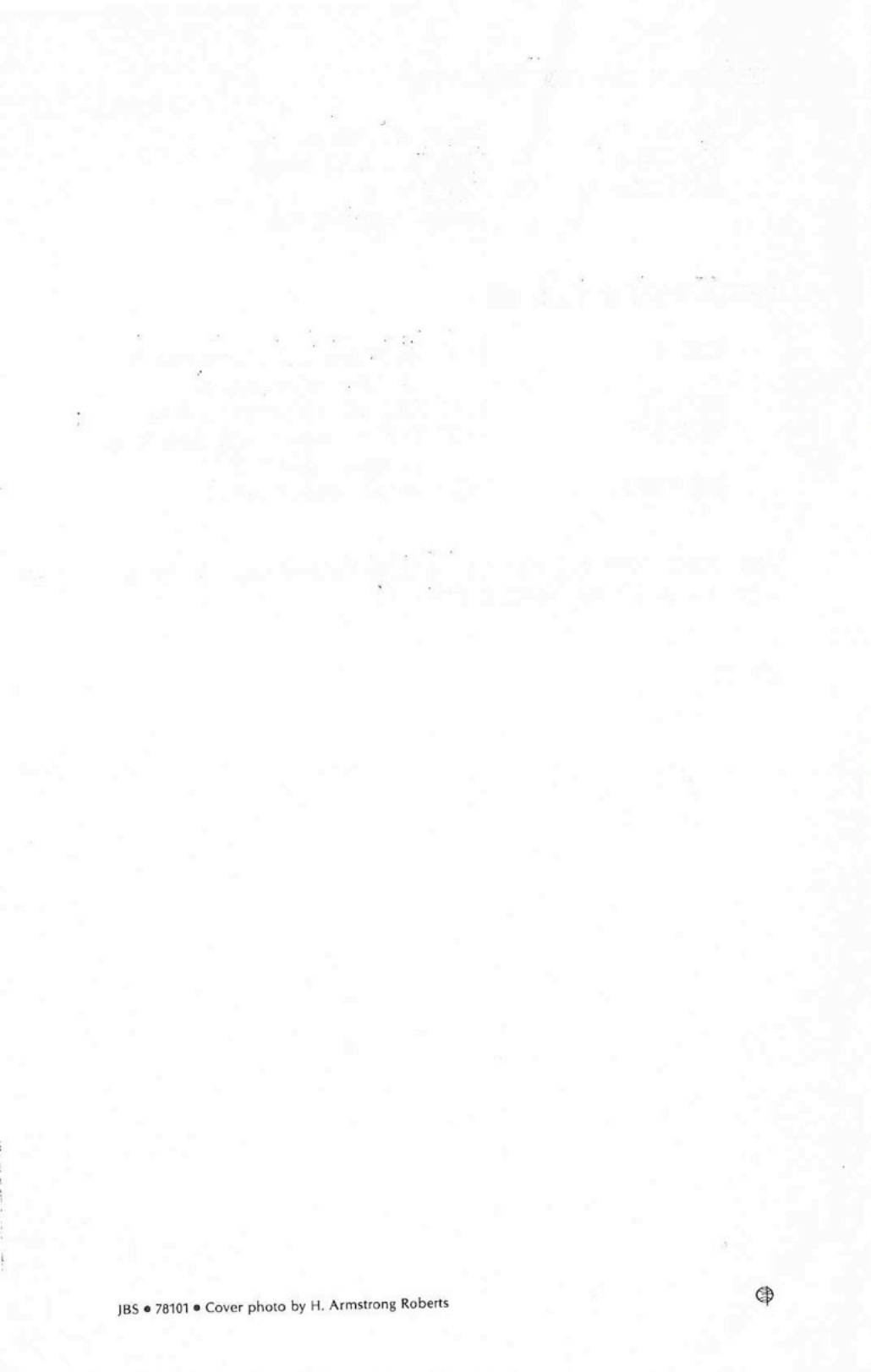
THIS IS THE FIRST Sunday on our regular schedule. . .
will you become an active part of our fine church
school program?

NEXT SUNDAY begins the first of our regular quarterly
allchurch dinners. They will replace the breakfasts.
Come and bring a friend!

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Everywhere I find the signature of God,
And he will never deny his own handwriting.
- Joseph Parker

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Our morning lesson is based on John 4:1-26. It will
be helpful to you if you bring a Bible to our wor-
ship services.

Have a joyful week



**“This cup . . .
is the new
covenant. . . .”**

Luke 22:20

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DELAWARE, OHIO
OCTOBER 1, 1978

James B. Stephenson
Pastor
W. C. Wickum
Assisting

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WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SERVICE 10:45am

PRELUDE "Canto" Lani Smith
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #451 "Here at Thy Table, Lord"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*GLORIA PATRI
*FELLOWSHIP TIME

A SCRIPTURE READING John 13:1-9
A SPECIAL MESSAGE Marjorie Smale
ANTHEM "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" Lemmel
OFFERTORY * The Doxology
LESSON "Bread before Dawn"
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
*HYMN, #295 "Just as I Am" Stark
SOLO "The Love Feast" W. C. Wickum

THE HOLY COMMUNION
*HYMN, #476 "The Tie that Binds"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "Legions for Christ" Wilson
* congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum
Organist, Ruth J. Brown
Chief Ushers, David Adams, Bruce Lee

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guest book in the vestibule.

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I am the living bread which came down from heaven.
If anyone eats this bread he will live for ever. And
the bread which I will give him is my flesh, which I
give so that the world may live.

Jesus in John 6:51

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

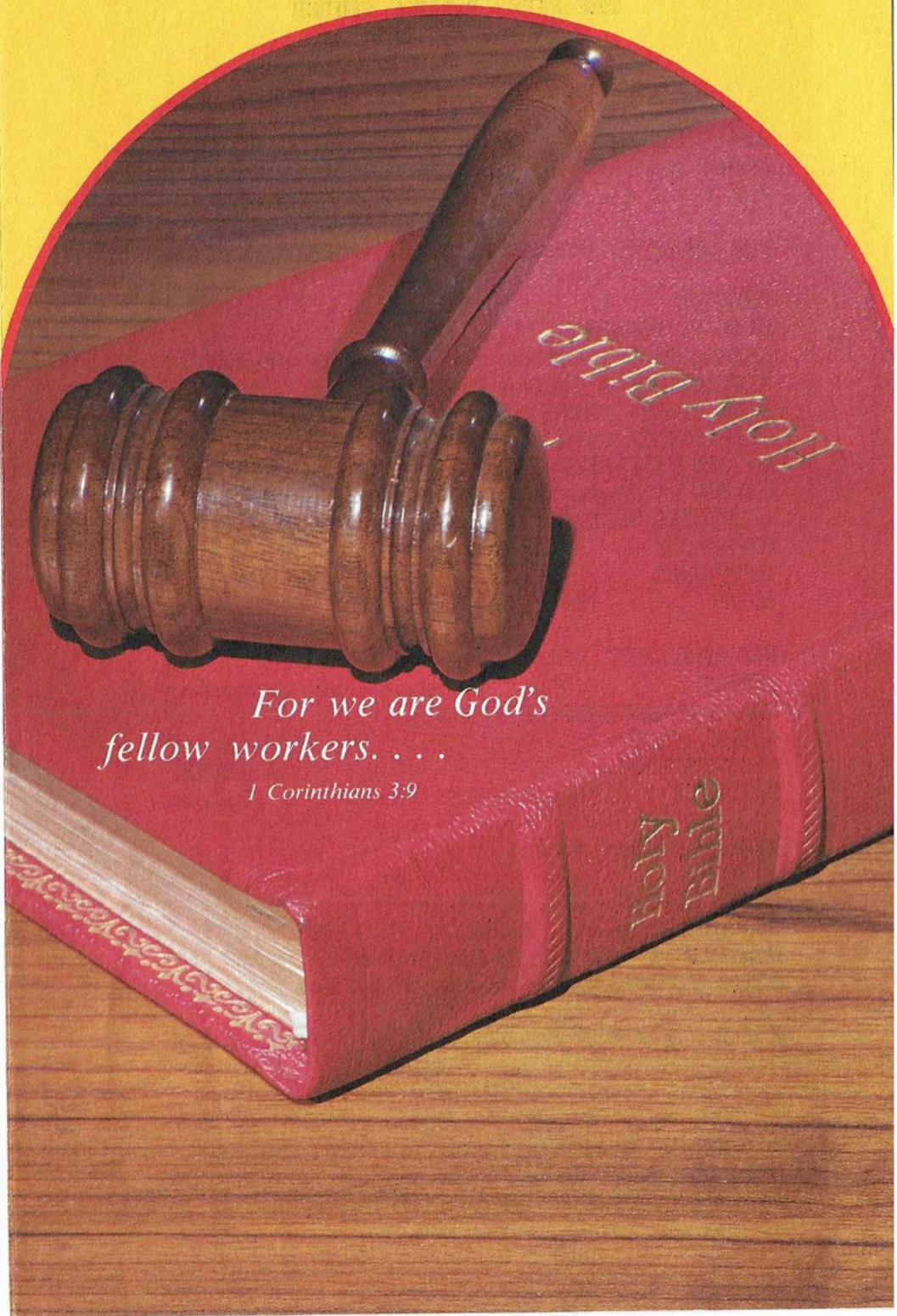
TUESDAY	Janet Lathrop
THURSDAY	Will & Carol Fogle
SATURDAY	Ann Brown
	James Stephenson

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	7:30 Deacons & Deaconesses at the parsonage.
MONDAY	7:30 Bd. of Christian Ed.
TUESDAY	7:30 Bible study and healing group. Acts 27.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Take a
copy home to an absent friend.

NOTES:

A photograph of a wooden gavel with a fluted head and a smooth handle, resting diagonally across the cover of a red Bible. The Bible is open, showing its pages and the spine. The words "Holy Bible" are embossed on the red cover in a serif font. The entire scene is set against a light-colored wooden background.

*For we are God's
fellow workers. . . .*

1 Corinthians 3:9

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio
October 8, 1978
James B. Stephenson, pastor

Jean Wickum, W. C. Wickum,
Guest Speaker Assisting
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:15am

PRELUDE "Prelude" Mattei

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #135 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

*THE GLORIA PATRI

*FELLOWSHIP TIME

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING (unison) Psalm 1

ANTHEM "Some Golden Daybreak" Blackmore

A SPECIAL MESSAGE Marjorie Smale

OFFERTORY "Prayer" Wagner

*RESPONSE The Doxology

SOLO "The King Is Coming" Gaither
W. C. Wickum

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 1:3-14

LESSON "Our Advocate - His Advocate"

WORLD FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*HYMN, #105 "He Leadeth Me"

*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Legions for Christ" Wilson

*congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum

Organist, Ruth J. Brown

Organist for Today, Betty Porter

Chief Ushers, David Adams, Bruce Lee

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 5:00-7:00 Junior High Youth
Fellowship at the First
Presbyterian Church.
(Grades 6,7,8)

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group and Bible
Study.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Society at the
Church.

BIRTHDAY Suzanne Grubbs Monday

We thank Jean Wickum for serving as guest
speaker this Sunday.

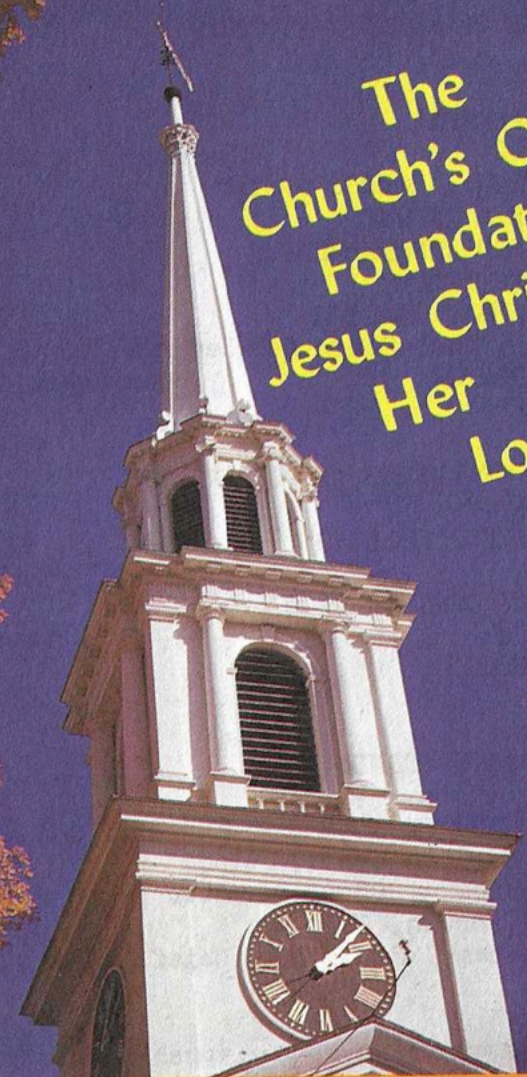
OUR QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING will be con-
ducted next Sunday, Oct. 15, following a
covered dish dinner at 11:45.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet at 7:00pm
next Sunday. Subject - 1979 Budget.

NOTES:

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please
sign the guest book in the vestibule. And
we invite you to worship with us again.

The
Church's One
Foundation Is
Jesus Christ
Her
Lord



THE
FIRST
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CHURCH,
DELAWARE
OHIO

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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP 10:45am 10/15/78

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #423 "The Church's One Foundation"
*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
FELLOWSHIP TIME
OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 45
ANTHEM "That Cause Can Never Be Lost" Nellesmann
HEALING PRAYER Congregational Requests
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE The Doxology
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 8:5-13
LESSON "Under Authority"
MOMENTS OF CONSECRATION
*HYMN, #281 "Jesus Calls Us"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown

*CONGREGATION STANDS

ASSISTING YOU IN YOUR EXPERIENCE OF GOD ARE:

James B. Stephenson, Pastor
W. C. Wickum, Choir Director
Ruth J. Brown, Organist
David Adams, Bruce Lee, Chief Ushers

We welcome visitors to our worship this morning. May we have your name and address in our guest book in the vestibule. We cordially invite you to worship with us again.

WHAT YOU BELIEVE WILL BE DONE FOR YOU . . .
Matt. 8:13b

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TODAY	11:45	Covered dish dinner and business meeting.
	7:00	Budget Committee.
MONDAY	7:30	Parish Council.
TUESDAY	7:30	Healing Group and Bible Study (today's Script.)
WEDNESDAY	9:00	Morning Circle leaves for Piqua. (See below)
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal.
THURSDAY	7:30	Eva Shephard Circle with Della Dean.

The Morning Circle is leaving Wednesday at 9:00am for a trip to Piqua where they will visit the Baptist Home of Upper Miami and have lunch. Will return at 3pm. Anyone wanting to go is welcome. Just call Sandra Cagwin, 369-8266, or Mary Lou Lovell, 369-6041.

Our Junior High youth are sharing in the Ecumenical Youth Fellowship composed of First Presbyterian, Asbury Methodist, and St. Peter's Episcopal Churches. Time is 5:00-7:00. For grades 6,7,8.

The annual meeting of the Ohio Baptist Convention will be held this week at the First Baptist Church, Dayton, beginning Wednesday and ending Friday.

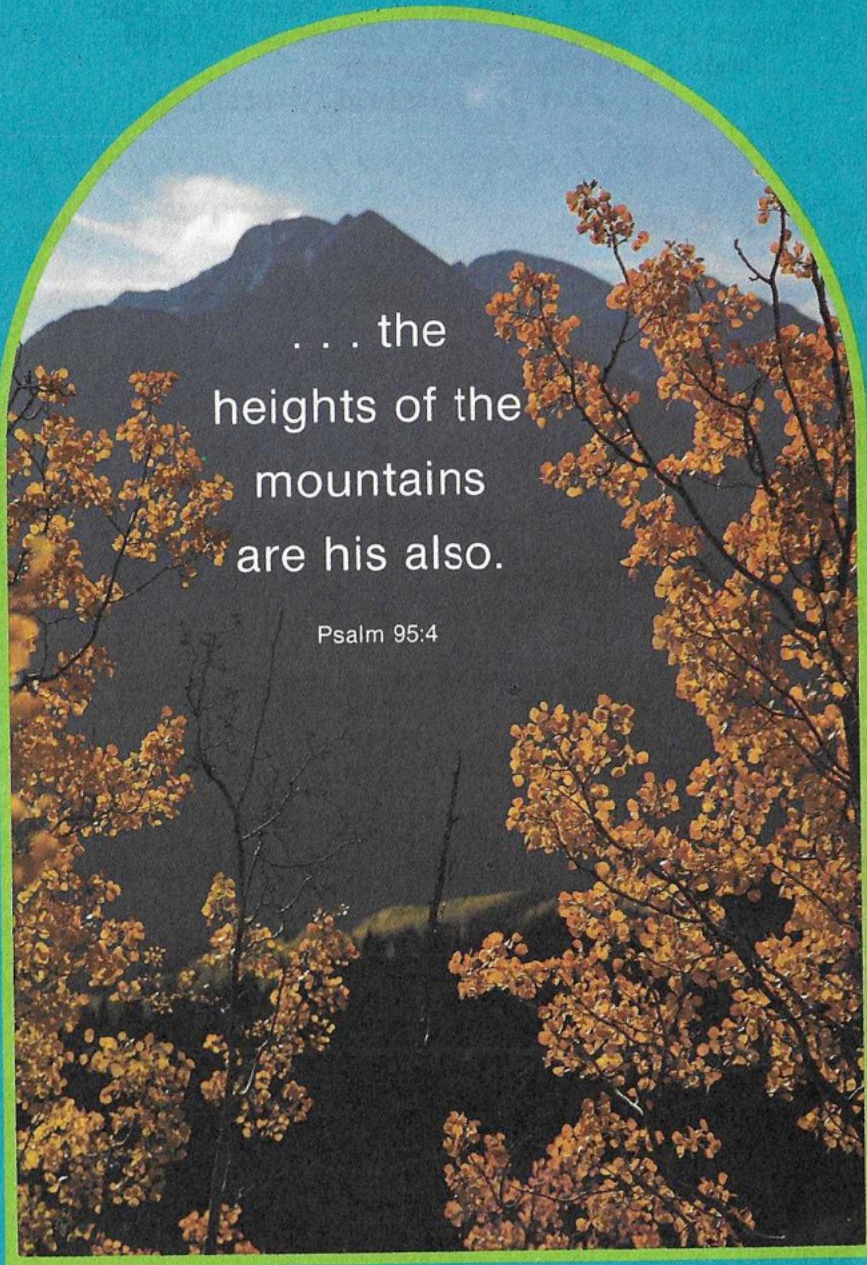
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

WEDNESDAY	Gene & Janet Lathrop
THURSDAY	Susan Leonard
	James Brown

* Seen on a church bulletin board: "Visitors *
* Welcome . . . Members Expected." *

The Kingdom of God is not coming by signs to be observed . . . for behold, the Kingdom of God is within you!

Luke 17:21



... the
heights of the
mountains
are his also.

Psalms 95:4



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Delaware, Ohio
Dedication Sunday November 5, 1978
James B. Stephenson, pastor
John P. Mansfield, assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
CALL TO WORSHIP
*HYMN, #171 "This Is My Father's World"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*THE GLORIA PATRI
A READING No. 38 (NT)
A TIME OF MEDITATION
THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*RESPONSE The Doxology
A SCRIPTURE READING Mark 12:1-11
LESSON "Sweet Stolen Fruit!"
ANTHEMS "More Love to Thee" Doane
 "Bread of Life"
PRESENTATION OF PLEDGES & GIFTS
PRAYERS OF DEDICATION
*COMMUNION HYMN, #272 (First & Fifth Stanzas)
THE HOLY COMMUNION
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*congregation stands

ORGANIST, Ruth J. Brown
CHOIR DIRECTOR, W. C. Wickum
CHIEF USHERS, David Adams, Bruce Lee

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign
the guest book in the vestibule. And we invite
you to worship with us again.

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* All things are working together for my good, *
* and I am working with them in the wisdom and *
* power of the Spirit. *

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BOB STEPHENSON
SIS MANSFIELD
GENE LATHROP
CHARLES & CLAUDIA ELIOT

MONDAY
TUESDAY
THURSDAY
NEXT SUNDAY

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	2:30 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer at our church.
	3:00 Jr. Hi Fellowship meets at Presbyterian Church. Bring rakes & gloves for leaf raking. Close at 5.
	7:30 Deacons & Deaconesses at Fogles.
MONDAY	7:30 Board of Christian Ed.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY	7:30 Choir Rehearsal.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER did not publish this week due
to the absence of submissions. QUESTION: Do you
want a newsletter? 2ND QUESTION: Do you want it
badly enough to take time to submit material?

* Use all your hidden forces. Do not miss *
* The purpose of this life, and do not wait *
* For circumstance to mold or change your fate.*
* In your own self lies destiny. Let this *
* Vast truth cast out all fear, all prejudice *
* All hesitation. Know that you are great, *
* Great with divinity. So dominate *
* Environment and enter into bliss - *
* Hear what the voices of the Silence say, *
* "All joys are yours if you put forth your *
* Claim, material things must answer and obey." *

“... to
give light to
those who
sit in darkness. . . .”

Luke 1:79



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio
November 26, 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor Phone 363-7021

PLEASE BE QUIET IN THE SANCTUARY, SOMEONE SIT-
TING NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Morning Hymn" Beethoven
A MEDITATION Psalm 23
*HYMN, #401 "Savior like a Shepherd Lead Us"
*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER
*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

A NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 9:27-38
ANTHEM "Worship the Lord" Lani Smith
OFFERTORY "Whispering Hope" Hughes
*THE RESPONSE The Doxology
LESSON "Spiritual Healing:
What It Is & How to Receive It" (Part III)
PRAYERS FOR HEALING & WHOLENESS
*HYMN, #237 "In the Cross"
*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
POSTLUDE "To the Glory of God" Heyser
*congregation stands

Assisting you in your worship are
W. C. Wickum, choir director
Ruth J. Brown, organist
Bruce Lee, David Adams, chief ushers

WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP. PLEASE SIGN THE
GUEST BOOK IN THE VESTIBULE. AND WE URGE YOU TO
WORSHIP WITH US AGAIN SOON.

If you remain in me and my words remain in you,
then you will ask for anything you wish, and you
shall have it. John 15:7

BIRTHDAYS

MONDAY	Gina Evans
TUESDAY	Karen Stoner
WEDNESDAY	Jim Faulk
FRIDAY	Alison Grubbs

OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY	7:00 Choir Rehearsal.
NXT SUNDAY	9:15 Church School Classes.
	10:45 1st Sunday in Advent.
	Holy Communion.

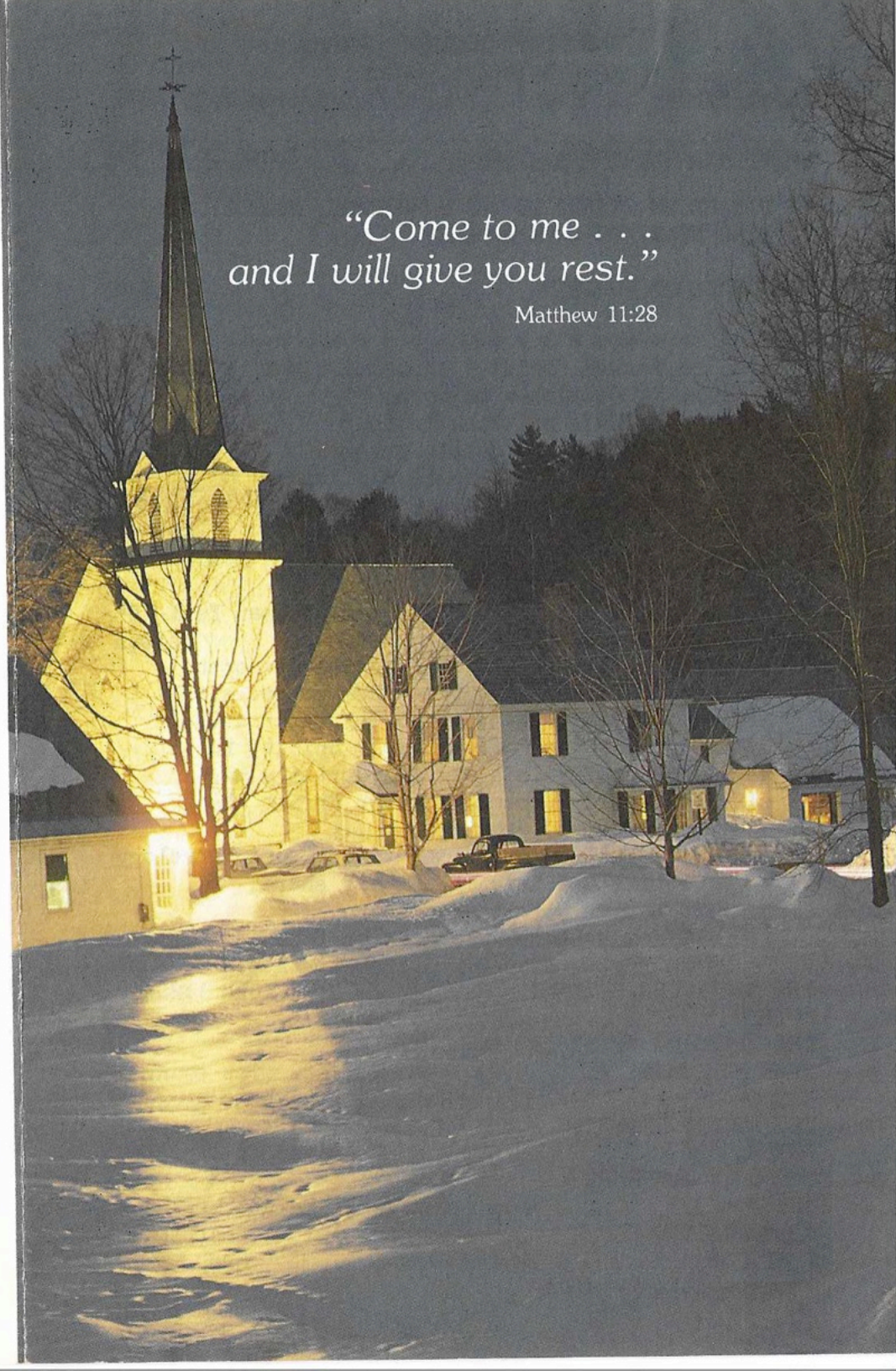
Our first Service of Meditation and Healing will be
held Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary.

* Have no anxiety about anything, but in every- *
* thing by prayer and petition with thanksgiv- *
* ing let your requests be made known to God. *
* And the peace of God, which passes all under- *
* standing, will keep your hearts and minds in *
* Christ Jesus. *
* Philippians 4:6,7 (RSV) *
* *
* Don't worry about anything; instead, pray *
* about everything; tell God your needs and *
* don't forget to thank him for his answers. If *
* you do this you will experience God's peace, *
* which is far more wonderful than the human *
* mind can understand. His peace will keep *
* your thoughts and your hearts quiet and at *
* rest as you trust in Christ Jesus. *
* Philippians 4:6,7 from *
* The Living Bible *

A PRESCRIPTION: Clip the verses above from your
bulletin and read three times each day.

*"Come to me . . .
and I will give you rest."*

Matthew 11:28



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Delaware, Ohio

First Sunday in Advent

December 3, 1978

James B. Stephenson, pastor Phone 363-7021

PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY, SOMEONE SIT-
TING NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

* Though Christ a thousand times *
* In Bethlehem be born, *
* If He's not born in thee *
* Thy soul is still forlorn. *
* Angelus Silesius *

PRELUDE

Mrs. Brown

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #183

"Watchman Tell Us"

*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

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 your Holy Spirit, that
we may perfectly love you and worthily mag-
nify your perfect name; through Christ who
taught us to pray, saying . . .

*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

Luke 1:26-38

ANTHEM

"Come, O Come"

Hughes

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

No. 422 (1st stanza)

LESSON

"Healing the Whole Person"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

*HYMN, #461

"Bread of Life"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN, #392

"Jesus the very Thought of Thee"

*BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Brown

*congregation stands

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP . . .

Helen Aleshire, assisting the pastor
W. C. Wickum, choir director
Ruth J. Brown, organist
Bruce Lee, David Adams, chief ushers

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK . . .

MONDAY

Erin Faulk

WEDNESDAY

Sandra Cagwin

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TODAY

12:15 Covered dish dinner in the Fel-
lowship Hall.

5:00 Jr. Hi Youth at 1st Presby-
terian Church.

7:30 Board of Deacons and Deacon-
nesses.

MONDAY

7:30 Board of Christian Education.

TUESDAY

7:30 Service of Meditation and
Healing. Public invited.

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY

12:00 (noon) Advent Program sponsored
by Church Women United at the
William St. Church. Church
open at noon, musical program
from 12:15 to 12:45. Come be-
fore noon with sack lunch, cof-
fee & tea provided.

SATURDAY

7:30 Adult Social. Decorate church
for Christmas; white elephant
gift exchange.

SPECIAL - We are invited to an open house at Frank-
lin House, 93 N. Franklin, 2:30-4:30pm today.

NEWSLETTER will publish next Sunday. All material
must be in no later than Wednesday noon. Please ob-
serve space limit of one half 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 11 page with one
inch margins all around.

CHRISTMAS CARDS sold by the Junior Hi can be picked
up from Janet Porter or Jeff Cagwin after church in
the vestibule.



Arise,
shine;
for your light has
come. . . .

Isaiah 60:1



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO

DECEMBER 10, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON
PASTOR



SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45am

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Porter

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN, #182

"O Come, O Come"

*INVOCATION and 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.

*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING

No. 49

ANTHEM "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Praetorius

A NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 2:1-6; 13:31-35

MORNING PRAYER

Meditation

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE RESPONSE

#422 (1st stanza)

LESSON

"A Jerusalem of Your Own"

*HYMN, #200

"What Child Is This?"

*THE BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

Mrs. Porter

*congregation stands

Choir Director - W. C. Wickum

Choir Director for today - Polly Focke

Organist - Ruth Brown

Organist for today - Betty Porter

Chief ushers - Bruce Lee, David Adams

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY

4:00 Junior Hi's at First
Presbyterian.

TUESDAY

7:30 Healing Group.

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY

7:30 Women's Society at 632
Congress Ct.

SATURDAY

2:00-4:00 Children's parties
at the church.

NXT SUNDAY

9:15 Church School.

10:45 Morning Worship. Lesson:
"Nazareth had a Secret."

7:00 Family Christmas program.
Nativity... Birthday party
for Jesus.

BIRTHDAYS

WEDNESDAY

Ruth Brown

Geneva Evans

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Take a
copy home for your absent friends.

*
* Not Herod in his palace, *
* Not mighty men or strong, *
* But simple shepherds keeping watch *
* First heard the angels' song. *
*
* Their names are not remembered, *
* Who knows their lives or ways? *
* We only know that heavenly hosts *
* Sang them their songs of praise. *
*
* The miracle of Christmas *
* Had its beginning when *
* God sent His greatest message *
* To ordinary men. *
* - Martha Smock *
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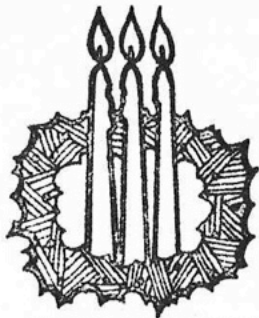
... break forth
into joyous song
and sing
praises!

Psalms 98:4



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DELAWARE, OHIO



THIRD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 17, 1978

JAMES B. STEPHENSON
PASTOR

* To be Himself a star most bright *
* To bring the wise men to His sight, *
* To be Himself a voice most sweet *
* To call the shepherds to His feet, *
* To be a child - it was His will, *
* That folk like us might find Him still. *
* - John Erskine *

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Brown
A MEDITATION
*HYMN, #187 "Angels We Have Heard"
*THE INVOCATION and 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.

*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING No. 51
ANTHEMS "A Long and Lonely Journey" Hughes
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"
A NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-23

THE BRINGING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*THE RESPONSE #422 (1st stanza)
MORNING PRAYERS
*HYMN, #199 "Away in a Manger"

LESSON "Nazareth had a Secret"

*HYMN, #198 "There's a Song on the Air!"
*THE BENEDICTION ALLELUIA
THE POSTLUDE Mrs. Brown
*congregation stands

Choir Director, W. C. Wickum
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BIRTHDAY L. F. Gabriel MONDAY

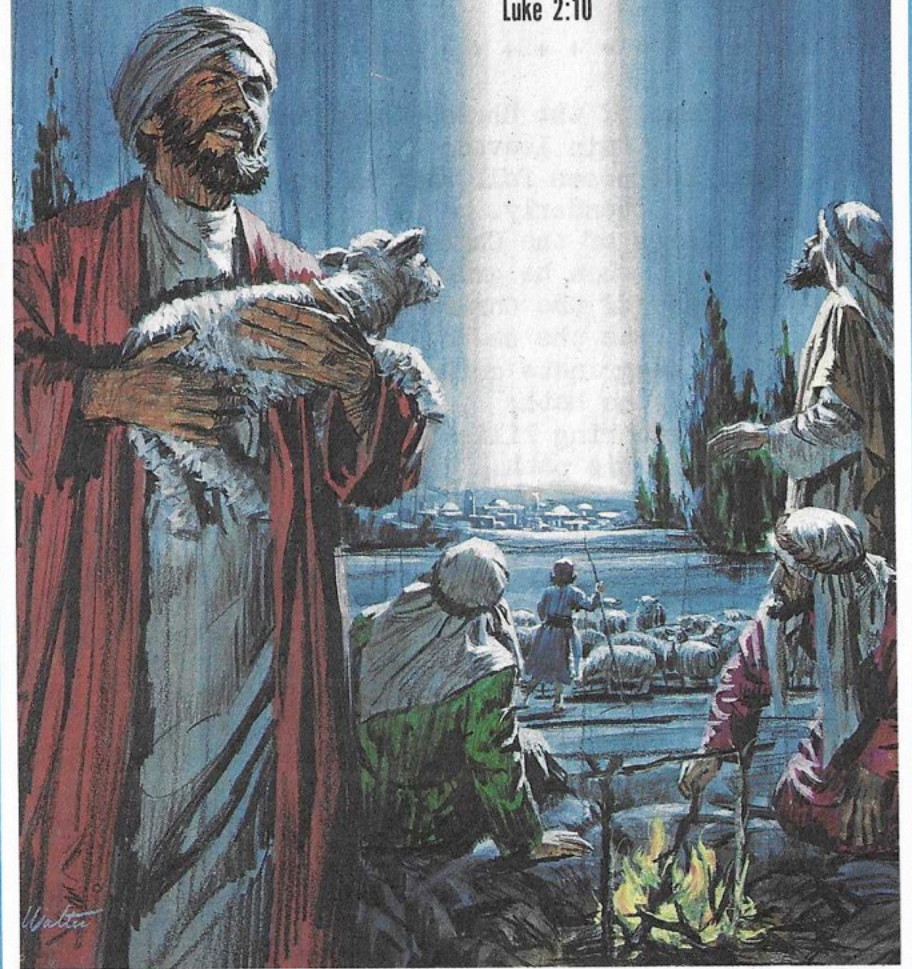
OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK . . .

TODAY	4:00 Junior Hi Fellowship at - the Presbyterian Church.
	7:00 Christmas program with the Nativity, followed by birthday party for the Baby Jesus.
MONDAY	7:30 Meeting of the Parish Council.
TUESDAY	9:00-11:00 Project Day at the Church. (tray favors)
	7:30 Healing Group.
WEDNESDAY	7:00 Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY	7:00 Meet at church to go caroling. Refreshments afterward.
NEXT SUNDAY	9:15 Church School classes.
	10:45 Morning Worship. Cantata, GOD IN A STAR.
	7:30 Candlelight Communion.

I bring you GOOD NEWS of a great joy which will
come to all people.
Luke 2:10

"... good
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Luke 2:10

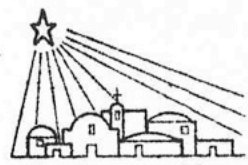


CANDLELIGHT

AND

COMMUNION

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"The hopes and fears
of all the years are
met in Thee
tonight."

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The lips of the Christ-Child are like
twin leaves;
They let roses fall when he smiles
tenderly.
The tears of the Christ-Child are pearls
when he grieves;
The eyes of the Christ-Child are deep
as the sea.
Like pomegranate grains are the dimples
he hath;
And clustering lilies spring up in
his path.

St. Gregory (951-1011)

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THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

7:30pm

THE PRELUDE "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Price
A MEDITATION

*HYMN, #184 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

*THE INVOCATION

*THE GLORIA PATRI

A READING OF PROPHECY

No. 50 (OT)

ANTHEM "Mary Had a Baby"

Landon

THE FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY

Luke 2:1-20

THE OFFERTORY "A Quiet Prayer"

Ritter

*HYMN, #188

"Silent Night"

MESSAGE

"The Inner Meaning of Bethlehem"

*HYMN, #199

"Away in a Manger"

THE HOLY COMMUNION

SOLO

"O Holy Night"

Adam

W. C. Wickum

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*PRAYERS AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE "Gloria in Excelsis Deo"

ALLELUIA

Wilson

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Assisting, Willard G. Fogle
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We are happy you decided to spend your Christmas Eve
with us. The following poem expresses our prayer for
you and your family.

God bless your Christmas! God bless you,
And bless all those you love,
All those you meet along the street
And all you take thought of!

God bless your lightest wishes
And bless your deepest needs,
The human hungers of your heart
That only God's love feeds!
James Dillet Freeman

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Should Christ be born a thousand times anew,
Despair O man, unless he's born in you.
Could but thy soul, O man, become a silent night,
Christ would be born in thee and set all things
aright.

Angelus Silesius

A star, the sky
A universe beyond my eye
Timeless night
And yet a Dawning waits.

The Dawning bids me come
To see his promise
Yet to more than see,
He bids me come, and be.

James VanBrimmer

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