

PASTORAL PRAYER: April 22, 1990

GRACIOUS GOD...CREATOR OF US ALL...we give thanks for this time of prayer and ask that it will be a special moment for each of us... as our spirits come together with YOU and with each other.

WE COME in these quiet moments with all of our DOUBTS, all of our QUESTIONS, all of our WAVERING WILLS, our SHORTCOMINGS and FLAWS. However YOU find us, Lord, we know that YOU will not leave us the same!

If we are DRIFTING along in our faith, call us to a clearer direction.

If we are LUKEWARM in our love, kindle in us the fire of a deeper love and a stronger faith.

If we are CARELESS in our commitments, in our loyalties, stir us to a deeper dedication.

If we are NEGLIGENT in our spiritual life of prayer, point us, O God, to the practice of YOUR presence in our lives.

WE COME TOGETHER in this service of worship, bringing not just ourselves, but others in prayer.

In silence now, O God, we name and pray for a loved or a friend who is ill...

In silence now, we name and pray for some who is lonely...

In silence, just now we name and pray for one who is in leadership in government...

In silence, we name and pray for one who dislikes us...

In silence now, we name and pray for a dear friend...

LORD...we do not need to ask YOU to hear our prayers, but we do ask to be open to receive the answers that YOU give us.

And if we are to be a part of YOUR answer in loving the lonely, or visiting the sick, forgiving an offender or an offense, LORD, enable us now to hear YOUR word of direction.

And finally, O God, we pray for our world. Much of our world is hungry, cold, homeless, lost. Much of it lives with constant violence and all of us live constantly under the threat of nuclear destruction.

So wherever YOUR people gather in worship today, we ask that YOU will be present with them and then to move them in compassionate service to all Creation, to the entire family of mankind, to all of Your children.

HEAR our prayers, offered now in the name and spirit of the Risen Christ, the life-giver -- our Lord, Saviour and Master.

GREETING TO THE CHILDREN: Sunday, April 22, 1990

GREETING

It's good to have the boys and girls of our Sunday School down here with us again this morning.

For a number of years it has been our custom here in the Church to present Bibles to those who are third graders in school....and that's what we're going to do here in a few moments. Their names are in the bulletin and we've also had their names stamped on the front of the Bible they are to receive.

To Brian Goodwin, Matthew Klein, Elisabeth Paton and Hans Werner-Jatzke, we would like to say:

- Congratulations.
- Get in the habit of reading from your own Bible.
- Learn some of the great passages in the Bible.
- Let this become your Number One book.

Did you know it's the "Best Seller" of all times. It ranks Number One. Any idea what the second book "best seller" is? When I was a boy it was Charles Sheldon's "In His Steps"....have any of you read it? Powerful little book...based on a story of what happened in a community when two or three and others before they did anything always asked themselves "What Would Jesus Do?".....and the third "best seller" is John Bunyan's Pilgrim Progress.

I'd like to invite you to come forward and receive your Bibles. Brian, Matthew, Elisabeth and Hans. Invite Brend Thompson, Superintendent of Sunday...

TO THE TEACHERS

I'd like to ask Duane Thompson, Chairperson of the Education Committee, to join me at the altar for this moment of recognition and then to lead us in the teacher recognition moment.

SONG

Rumored that the boys and girls might have a song to sing for us in these moments...we weren't sure....if so, now's the time... and if not, then let's sing together one verse of 114, "This is My Father's World"....in celebration of Earth Day....remembering the words of the psalmist, "The Earth is the Lord's and the Fullness Thereof"...."the world and those who dwell therein....for He has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers". Psalm 24.

## THAT'S WHAT THE MAN SAID

The "Hounds of Heaven" will begin the study of Maxie Dunham's book That's What the Man Said on Tuesday, May 1st.

The fifteen sayings of Jesus which form the basis of this guide to Christian living include those which are tough, demanding, comforting, bracing and judging according to the Rev. Mr. Dunham. As we study and discuss them, we will seek to discover how these words, spoken more than 2,000 years ago, can help us live our daily lives with purpose and meaning as Christians in 1990.

Come and join us as this study continues to strengthen the "Hounds" reputation as a community of people learning, growing, praying and sharing together in Christian fellowship.

We meet regularly on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. on the third floor. For those who wish, we often continue our time together at dinner in the neighborhood.

The books are in! If you'd like to share this new study with us, please see George Leopold or Jane Chaney for more information or a book.

IT'S A  
FELLOWSHIP  
SUPPER!!!

on April 22

at 6:30 p.m.

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Potluck -- Bring your favorite dish!  
Eileen Lyons, Director of Interfaith  
Neighbors, will be speaking to us about  
what Interfaith is doing to help families  
and individuals to cope in New York City.

See you in the Fellowship Hall!

ANTHEM: "Benedicite Gentes"

"O praise God, all ye peoples, praise the Lord, all ye nations, and sing unto Him with a voice of gladness; for it is He that holdeth all my soul in life, and tis He who will not suffer my feet to slip; blessed be the Lord our God, for He hath not cast out my humble prayer unto Him, and He hath not taken away mercy from me."

ANTHEM: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

The words today's second anthem are a paraphrase of the 23rd Psalm.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

The organ postlude - a final offering of our praise to God - is played after the Benediction. Time permitting, we invite you to share in the beauty of it.

A CHANGE IN REHEARSAL TIME

From now through June the choir will be rehearsing from 9:30 to 10:30 Sunday morning. Now's a good time to join as work begins on anthems for the remainder of the Spring Season. For those who sing, please take note.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Oratorio Society under the direction of Lyndon Woodside will present a "Salute to Broadway" at Carnegie Hall on Wednesday, the 9th of May, at eight o'clock. Starring Barbara Cook, it will feature the premiere of Irving Berlin Songs.

TODAY'S PREACHER

We welcome Mr. Kenneth E. Halcott to our pulpit this morning. A graduate of Duke Divinity School, a member of the New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Ken is a long time friend and worshipper with us. We're delighted to have him bringing the sermon today and are grateful for his help once again.

NEXT SUNDAY'S COFFEE HOUR

Next Sunday's coffee hour will be "in honor" of the many new friends of our Church. Since Thanksgiving some twenty-five to thirty-five friends have found something of a church home here with us. The coffee hour is in their honor. Regular members are invited to come down and make new friends for the Church.

"HOUNDS OF HEAVEN"

The "Hounds of Heaven meet on Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. The class is completing the study of the book, We Are An Easter People. Study of a new book begins shortly. New friends are always welcome; old ones, too.

ALDERSGATE CLASS

The Aldersgate Class meets on Wednesday evening at 7:30 in Fellowship Hall. Duane Thompson has been leading the class in a study of Meeting Christ in the Sermon on the Mount. Old friends are always welcome; new ones, too. Coffee and doughnuts are available.

### BAKE SALE III

We shall celebrate the Bake Sale III next Sunday morning as a part of the coffee hour. It's for the benefit of our All Church Picnic of June. Doreen Morales is the coordinator for it and hopes you will support the Bake Sale of next Sunday with a donation as well as a purchase and that you'll be on the bus Saturday morning, June 23rd, for the picnic - young and old alike!

### NAME TAGS

New name tags are being ordered by the Membership Committee. If you have lost yours and need a new one, speak to Dee Schaffield. A name tag costs \$5.00. And then be sure to wear it at the coffee hour and make a point each Sunday of making two new friends! Don't be shy.

### NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN

New members will be received into the Church on May 20th. Persons interested in coming in closer and strengthening a tie with the Church are invited to share word of this interest with Mr. Clarke.

### PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLES

The following boys and girls of our Church are being presented with a Bible in the service this morning:

Brian Goodwin  
Matthew Klein  
Elisabeth Paton  
Hans Werner-Jatzke

### TEACHER RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Many wonderful people share in the joyous task of teaching our children across the year. Today we would mention them by name and recognize them in the service with words of heartfelt thanks. Those who have been teaching since September are:

Jane Chaney	Julie Klein
Robin Chauncey	Jaya Melwani
Carl Condra	Roberta Olson
Anna Delson	Brenda Thompson
Janet Ernst	Duane Thompson
Lisa Ingram	Marianna Thompson
Janet Jacobson	Lynn Tucker
Mary Johnson	Pat Werner-Jatzke
Charlotte Kittilsen	

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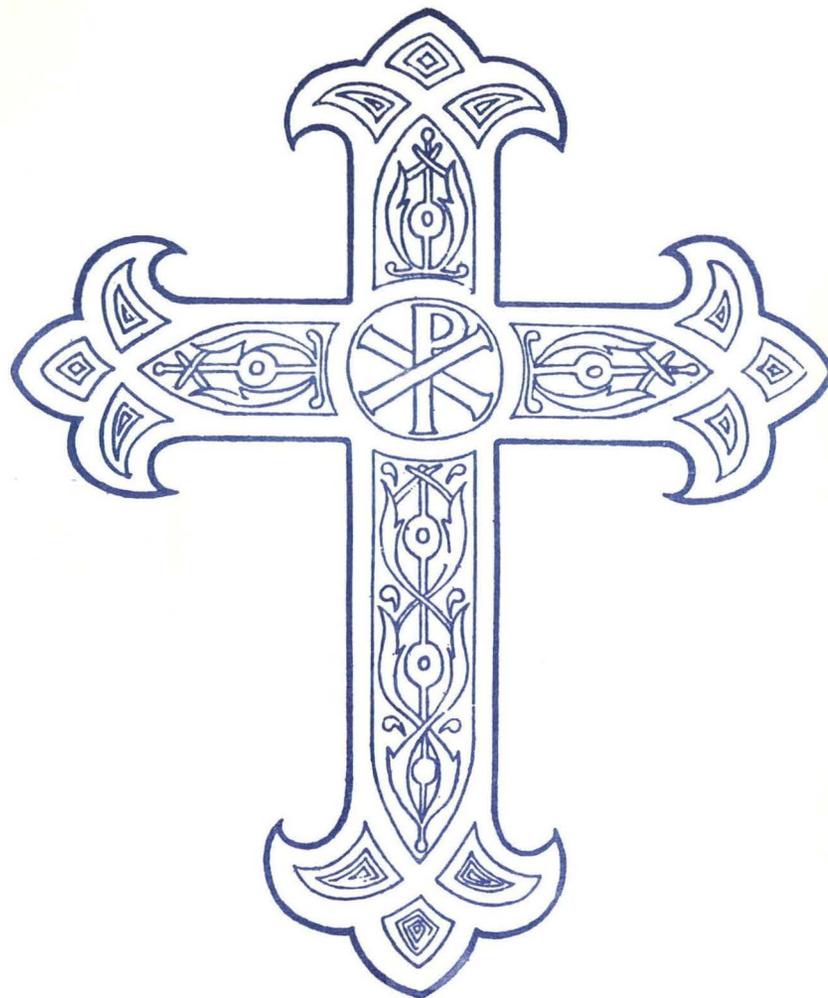
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PARK AVENUE  
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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER  
April 22, 1990

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
11 A. M.

ORGAN "Priere" Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN NO. 304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (seated)

Lord, forgive the dimness of our sight and the good we do not see; the quickness of our tongues and the harm we work on others through intemperate speech; the heaviness of our hands, so slow to help; the dullness of our hearts, so reluctant to believe. Forgive us for coming to terms with an age that has so little time for Thee, and for starving our souls in the pursuit of goals and prizes that are here today and gone tomorrow. We believe that Thou art able to forgive. Dear God, forgive us now, as on Thy name we call. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION - WORDS OF ASSURANCE - LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO CHILDREN

TEACHER RECOGNITION MOMENT

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ANTHEM "Benedicite Gentes" Lasso

SCRIPTURE I Corinthians 1: 18 - 31 Page 991

Colossians 3: 1 - 4 Page 1027

PASTORAL PRAYER

PARISH CONCERNS

ANTHEM "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Thomson

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING WITH THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN NO. 144 "This Is My Father's World"

SERMON "Every Day To Us Is Easter" Mr. Halcott

HYMN NO. 318 "Christ Is Alive"

BENEDICTION

ORGAN "Toccata" Widor

\*\*\* Interval for Ushering

LAY READER

We welcome Carl Condra to the lectern today. A native of Lubbock, Texas. Carl is pursuing a career in acting. Here in the church he is a member of the Education Committee, Membership Committee, Adult Bible Study, and is an active member of the Adult Fellowship program.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are the gift of Rick and Marianna Kilbride who were married here on Saturday afternoon.

GREETERS AND USHERS

The greeters today are Robin Chauncey and Lili Bates. The ushers are Ken Borgeson, Cory Abernathy, Bibi Banoo, Kenn Barton, Gary Klein, Chester Naramore and Dee and Michael Schaffield.

AN INVITATION

Coffee and tea will be served in the Russell Room following the service. Members and friends are invited to share in these moments of warmth made possible for us today by Donna and Bruce Evans, Ken Borgeson, Jeffrey Goss and Judy Pena.

CHURCH SCHOOL AND NURSERY CARE

Sessions of Church School for children are offered Sunday mornings from ten-thirty to twelve. Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available on the fourth floor.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

The Adult Bible Class meets on Sunday morning at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall. Al Thomas is leading the class in a study of the Book of Acts. Coffee and doughnuts are available. All are welcome.