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TO THE
MEMBERS OF THE
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INTRODUCTION

The week of toil has ended. The day of rest is at hand. May the rest and the quiet of this hour of worship refresh our inner life. May it renew in all of us a sense of God's holy and abiding Presence.

In silence, let each now pray as the heart may prompt.

MEDITATION

We rest our hearts in the Promise of Jesus who said:

"Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for My yoke is easy and My burden is light!"

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction."

"Wait on the Lord. Be of good courage and He shall strengthen thine heart."

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary. And they shall walk and not faint."

"For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty, and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you clothed me. As you did it to one of the least of these, my brethren, you did it unto me."

"Ask, and it will be given you. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened to you."

"And all things... whatsoever you shall ask in prayer, believing... you shall receive. And as many as touched Him were made whole."

PRAYERS / LORD'S PRAYER

O Thou, who hearest prayer, hear our prayers for others, as well as for ourselves.

Touch with healing, O God, those whom we mention in our prayers this hour. Heal us at the point of our deepest need.

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.....cherished members and friends of our parish.

Comfort the bereaved and the broken-hearted among us. Abide among us as a healing benediction.

In the name of Jesus Christ, I share with you the Good News:

We are forgiven!

Will you all pray with me for:

Grant them courage and hope.
Make them receptive to the
touch of the Holy Spirit.

Answer the unspoken prayers offered to thee on the altars of our hearts, spoken in the name and spirit of Jesus who taught us to say when we pray:

"Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen."

TODAY'S PREACHER

We welcome William Proctor, Lay Leader of our Church, to the pulpit today. A native of Georgia, reared in Texas, schooled at Harvard College and also Harvard Law School, Bill is the former legal reporter for the Daily News as well as author of more than a dozen books dealing with religious themes and concerns. A Trustee of our Church, he is also teacher of our Sunday morning Adult Bible Class.

SECOND SUNDAY GROUP

Preview announcement: for those who admit to being age 39 and "holding", mark your calendar for August 8th and each second Sunday of the month following Church for a brunch. For more details see Lee Myers.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Three of our teenager young people are providing us with today's music. They are Aseye and Fafa Demasio and Brenda Kunda. We are grateful to them for sharing in today's service.

Soloists are needed for the services in August. If you are interested in singing, call the Church office.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 25, 1982

ORDER OF WORSHIP
10 A. M.

ORGAN "Ye Sweet Retreat" Wilson

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN NO. 21 "All People That on Earth do Dwell"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (seated)

Help us, O Lord, who claim to be Christians.

Teach us our responsibilities to You and to others in this world. Save us from loving religion instead of You. Take fire and burn away our hypocrisy. Take water and wash away the blood that we cause to be shed. Take sunlight and dry the tears of those we have hurt. Take love and plant it in our hearts, that peace and joy may be made real for all people everywhere. For we ask these things in the name and spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION - WORDS OF ASSURANCE - LORD'S PRAYER

PSALTER "The Shadow of the Almighty" No. 581

GLORIA PATRI No. 558

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 740

TRIO "How Long Has It Been?"

SCRIPTURE Matthew 18: 1 - 6 Page 852

PASTORAL PRAYER

PARISH CONCERNS

TRIO "The Holy City"

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING WITH THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN NO. 224 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

SERMON "Become As Little Children" Mr. Proctor

HYMN NO. 236 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

BENEDICTION

ORGAN "Maestoso" (Sonata #4) Mendelssohn

*** Interval for Ushering

LAY READER

We welcome Mary Jennings to the Lectern today. A native of Arkansas, a graduate of the University of Arkansas and also Pratt Institute of New York, Mary is Assistant to the Art Director at Self Magazine. Here in the Church she teaches Sunday School, serves as an usher and is active in the Adult Fellowship.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar today are given by Charlene Ray in loving memory of her father, O. Malcolm Ray.

USHERS

The ushers today are Mr. High, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Kilbride and Mr. Flagg.

AN INVITATION

Punch and cookies will be served in the Russell Room following the service. All are invited to share in these moments of warmth made possible for us today by Beverly Limestall and Mary Pat Englehart.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

The Adult Bible Class meets on Sunday mornings at 8:45 in Fellowship Hall. Coffee is available and new members are welcome. William Proctor is Class Leader.

AT THE ORGAN CONSOLE

We welcome Mr. Robert Wilson to the organ console in the absence of Lyndon Woodside who is in Europe.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available on the fourth floor during the Summer worship months.

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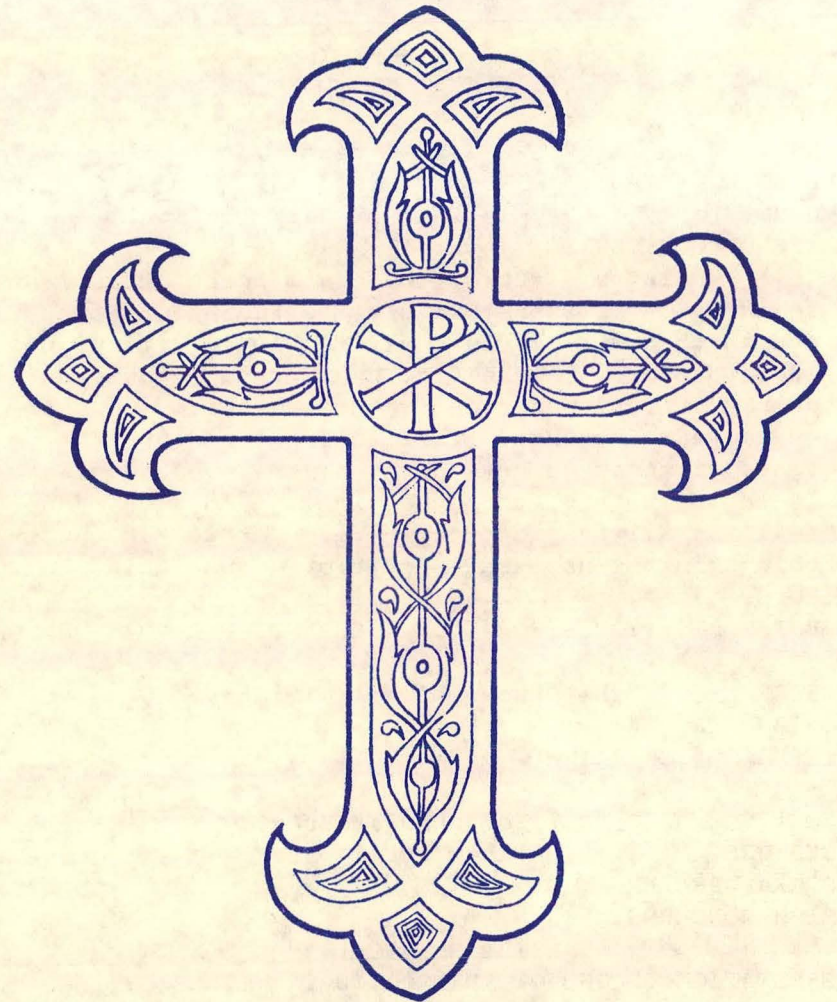
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