

On this lovely day which God has given us we welcome you to our Service. This is Margaret Clark the Pastor's Assistant bringing you a word of greeting from the congregation and staff here at First Baptist. It is well that we gather on this last Sunday before Christmas taking time from the busy round of Holiday activities to look beneath the tinsel and find the real meaning of Christmas. It is our hope that amid the glitter and glamour which is so much a part of Christmas you will sense here in the quietness of this hour the nearness of God and come to realize the significance of his great gift for your life. Will you join us in prayer that this may be the experience of many today.

The scripture which was read this morning was taken from the 53rd chapter of the book of Isaiah.

The Sanctuary Choir under the direction of Dr. Lee Bright has just sung The Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah. The vocal duet NIGHT OF NIGHTS by Van de Water will be sung this morning by Lois Harchanko and Wayne Dalton.

Pastor Fredrikson is preaching this morning on the topic THE GOD WHO WOULD BE MAN, the third in a series on the prophecy of Isaiah.

This evening at 7 o'clock we will share in an experience of Christmas worship led by the children of our church school. This program entitled CHRIST IS THE CENTER HERE will be a dramatic presentation of the work of our church school as it prepares for Christmas. We invite you to be present for this inspiring service of worship.

Before we return to the sanctuary may I say once again how glad we are that you have joined us today. We rejoice in every opportunity to serve you. It is our hope that you will feel free to call upon us if you are in need of spiritual guidance or counsel. As we seek to serve you we are mindful of the fact that it is God's name in which we minister and it is in His spirit that we bid you welcome.

The God Who Would Be Man

The Mighty Theme of Salvation

- Finally, not through Cyprus but by the direct intervention of "the Arm of the Lord".
- Salvation is to be a mighty deliverance - both outer and inner, both personal and national.

① We have a small, crimped idea of Salvation.

- Little, pinched affair with life withering and slapping up.
- The little boys jingle:

→ "I do not like the Sabbath
The soap suds and the stances
The troops of solemn people
Who to Salvation march" -
(Anything but life that is abundant)

- Reinhold Niebuhr: "Salvation is not incredible to our generation, it just seems irrelevant."

② Salvation is God Moving In to Deliver

- Like troops coming to deliver a besieged city.
- American Troops on the Western front during World War I - France.
"Il pourra Il pourra"
"He can do it! He can do it!"

God Will Use His People As An Instrument of Deliverance

① That They will be a suffering, despised minority to do it.

- The picture of the redeeming people 53:1-3
- Out of the suffering and burden of exile will come redemption. Great insight!
- These people will go home a different people.
- They will rebuild their city, reestablish their laws and become the source of salvation.

② It has always been the despised and creative minorities that have been the cutting edge of deliverance.

- St. Francis and the franciscans.
- John Wesley and the Holy Orders.
- The New Orleans school integration issue.

③ God in the struggle and agony of people.

Salvation Will Come Through The Suffering Servant.

① Centuries Later Came The "Suffering Servant".

- Immanuel which means God with us.
- The unvarnished facts of his life.
 - His birth, His companions, His Death.
- His dealings with people.
 - The demoniac, Gerasen, Mary at Simon's house.
- Finally, in his last hours he washed their feet. He was the servant of all.
- This was all an act of God in Man's behalf.

② This is the God Who Would Be Man.

- The play "The Man Who Would Be God"
 - We always end up by acting like Gods.
 - New York accident: "I thought it was the bomb."
- And this is the God Who Would Be Man.

③ Our Deep Hope For Deliverance

- The Guilty.
- The Burden of Worry and Passion.
- The Ultimate, Final Deliverance.

The need for
simple humility.

The Fellowship of The Church - A Suffering Servant

① We were never meant to be anything but a suffering, Creature Minority.

- Not a club for like-minded people.
- Not a place for the respectable and self-righteous.
- Not a place for sinners who have known God's Grace.
- Listen to Christ's dealing with his disciples
 - Taking up his cross, falling into the ground and dying.

② The Word Asks 'What are your Credentials?'

- Tenament House - No families - "Who?"
- Then rejection.

- Our Only Credentials are Love and Service.
- Then God becomes Man again.

- The Meaning of Peer Fellowship
- The Meaning of Service.

George Luther: God's Colony in Man's World.

- The Story of the Cold Weather & the Thermometers.

- Working with Narcotic Addiction

③ Only then, can we preach - Where will God become Man?

Meetings

- Wednesday evening

Guests

- Sheri Lynn - daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Merle Klimut

Flowers

- Mr. & Mrs. John Carlson.

Norm & Maria Young - father

Christmas offering

Thin Walls

- Children's Program - 7 p. m. Thin Evening

- Saturday, December 24

5:15 - Family Service

11:00 - Candle Light Service

Mr. Allen Bett - Bridge Canyon
Candle Lighting - Mr. Sam Hasegawa - Alt.

(Joy)

First Baptist Church

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

December 18, 1960

Nine-thirty and Eleven O'Clock

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND

Prelude—"Meditation at Saint Clothilde".....James

"Adoration".....Borowski

Choral Call to Worship—*"We Come Before Thy Presence"

**"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

Processional Hymn—"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks".....185

Invocation

Lord's Prayer and Gloria

THEY WHO WAIT ON THE LORD SHALL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH

The Reading of the Holy Scriptures—Isaiah 53

Choral Call to Prayer—*"Prayer Is The Soul's Sincere Desire"

**"Calm On The Listening Ear of Night"

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response—*"Hear Me, O God"

**"Lord, Give Ear to My Prayer"

Anthem—*"Ho, Jeanette, Make Haste Isabella".....Old French Carol

**"Hallelujah".....Handel

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;

And He shall reign for ever and ever. King of Kings and Lord of Lords,

Hallelujah!

ARISE SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Christian Greetings

Offertory Hymn—"There's A Song in the Air".....198

The Lighting of the Candle

Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings

Organ Offertory—"O Little Town of Bethlehem".....Purvis

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES

Vocal Duet—"Night of Nights".....Van de Water

Lois Harchanko, mezzo soprano

Wayne Dalton, baritone

Sermon by Pastor Fredrikson—

"The God Who Would Be Man"

I WILL MAKE WITH YOU AN EVERLASTING COVENANT

Hymn of Dedication and Decision—"I Hear the Savior Say".....284

Benediction

Choral Response and Postlude

*First Service Only

**Second Service Only

This morning Pastor Fredrikson will greet folks at the main door, Rev. Babcock at the balcony door and Rev. Rowe at the side door.

The broadcast of the service over KELO beginning at 11:10 is sponsored by Swift Bros. Construction Co.

EVENING SERVICE

7:00 P.M.

All of us will want to join the children this evening for the Annual Children's Christmas Program. Note that the time is changed to 7 o'clock. The program will feature beautiful colored slides, tape recordings of classroom singing and activities and the traditional platform presentations by the children. The program is different from anything we have ever done, and is something the children look forward to with great anticipation.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, 5:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship

5:30 p.m.—SYADS meet at Good Samaritan Home, 400 W. 2nd. Supper at 6:30 p.m. at Home of Mr. and Mrs. James Smart, 2548 Circle Drive.

5:00 p.m.—Brayton Case BYF (Junior High) Supper and Christmas Party in the Youth Room for Junior Highs and Teachers.

6:00 p.m.—Keystone BYF (Senior High)

6:00 p.m.—Membership Class—Session One

8:45 p.m.—Hi Fi

8:45 p.m.—Afterglow at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Smart, 2548 Circle Dr.

MONDAY, 7:00 p.m.—Explorers

TUESDAY, 10:00 a.m.—XYZ Meeting in the Church Parlor

WEDNESDAY, 6:15 p.m.—Fellowship Supper

7:00 p.m.—Junior High Choir Rehearsal

7:15 p.m.—Prayer Service

8:00 p.m.—Senior High Choir Rehearsal

8:15 p.m.—Board of Christian Education

THURSDAY, 6:30 p.m.—Golden Circle Potluck in Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.—Scouts

7:30 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, Zeto Class Meeting

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers:

Dr. Roger L. Fredrikson.....Pastor

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Dr. Lee Bright.....Director

Dr. Maynard Berk.....Organist

Mr. Harold Wortman.....Youth

Miss Lois Harchanko.....Children

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Mr. Lamont Reichelt