First Baptist Church
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
April 3, 1960
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock
Broadcast on Station KELO

"The time is fulfilled and the Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel."

THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL
Organ Prelude—*"If Thou Art Near"* Bach
"Cathedral Prelude and Fugue" Bach
(Congregation in silent prayer)
Choral Call to Worship
Processional Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" 252
(Congregation standing on the singing of the hymn)
Invocation
Lord’s Prayer
Gloria

MY SON, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN
Reading of the Holy Scripture—Mark 14:16-72
Choral Call to Prayer—"Hear Us, Our Father"
Pastoral Prayer
Choral Response "Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer"
Dedication of Senior High Choir Robes
Choir Anthem—"O Saviour, Hear Me" Gluck-Peery

"O Saviour, hear me, I implore Thee;
In Thee alone can peace be found.
Thou canst sustain and Thou restore me,
Whate'er the cares that hover round.
Hear my supplication;
Turn on me Thy loving eyes,
Lord, I long for Thy salvation
And would fain attain the prize. Amen."

MANY THAT ARE LAST SHALL BE FIRST
Christian Greetings
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory—*"God's Time Is Best"* Bach
"O God, I Will Not Leave Thee" Johnson
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

YOU ARE THE CHRIST
Solo—*"Thou Art the Christ"* O'Hara
Hertha Farmer, Soprano
"There Is a Green Hill Far Away" Gounod
Mrs. Roger Fredrikson, Alto

Sermon by Dr. Fredrikson
"The Crowing of the Cock"
IMMEDIATELY THEY LEFT THEIR NETS AND FOLLOWED HIM
Hymn of Dedication and Decision—“Be Thou My Vision, O
Lord of My Heart” .................................................................................. 321
Benediction
Choral Response—Chimes
Postlude
* First Service only

This morning Dr. Fredrikson will greet folks at the balcony door, Rev. Babcock at the
main door and Mr. Sisson at the side door.

The broadcast of the service today over Radio Station KELO, beginning at 11:10 a.m.,
is sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Sletten.

The flowers today are given by Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Grenard and Mr. and Mrs. Harry L.
Ingalls commemorating their 67th and 40th wedding anniversaries.

EVENING GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP
7:30 P.M.

Prelude
Call to Worship and Invocation
Hymn—“There Is a Green Hill Far Away” ......................................................... 230
Invitation to the Lord’s Supper
Drama—“Christ in the Concrete City” by P. W. Turner
Presented by the Sioux Falls College Players:
  Kenneth Haring   Rosetta Morford   Jerry Hood
  Mary Stow        Lori Larsen       Dick Mayer

Directed by Miss Barbara Dodson

The Lord’s Supper
  The Breaking of the Bread
  The Taking of the Cup
  Receiving the Offering

Hymn of Invitation—“Go to Dark Gethsemane” ................................................. 400
Benediction—Closing Moments—“Beneath the Cross”
Postlude

OPPORTUNITIE S OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, 7:30 a.m.—Mr. and Mrs. Class Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m.—Youth Council meeting in the Church Library
5:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship Pizza Supper in the Fellowship Hall kitchen
5:45 p.m.—SYADS (Single Young Adults)
6:00 p.m.—Brayton Case B.Y.F. (Junior High) meeting in the Youth Room
6:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship meeting in the Fellowship Hall kitchen
6:00 p.m.—Keystone B.Y.F. (Senior High)—Faith Committee in charge
8:45 p.m.—Hi Fi
8:45 p.m.—Afterglow in the Youth Room

TUESDAY, 6:30 a.m.—Men’s Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall kitchen
10:00 a.m.—Discipline and Discovery Group in Room 111
5:00-7:30 p.m.—Boy Scout Pancake Supper in Fellowship Hall
8:00 p.m.—First Baptist Study Club

WEDNESDAY, 4:30 p.m.—Junior Choir
6:15 p.m.—Fellowship Supper in Fellowship Hall. Make your reservations on the
cards Sunday or call the church office by Tuesday noon. (Adults—75c; children—
25c; maximum per family—$2.00)
7:00 p.m.—Junior High Choir
7:05 p.m.—Discipline and Discovery Groups
8:00 p.m.—Senior High Choir
8:15 p.m.—Leaders’ Learning Hour in Room 111

THURSDAY, 12:00 noon—Trustees at the Y.M.C.A.
1:00 p.m.—Women’s Mission Society Spring Luncheon and meeting at the Normandy
7:30 p.m.—Church Cabinet meeting in the Church Parlor
7:30 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir

FRIDAY, 6:30 p.m.—Men’s Fellowship
The Crowning of The Cock
The Drama and Tragedy of Jesus’ Last Days

1. They feel uncomfortable, ill at ease and judged.
   - They strike back with treachery and anger.
     (1) The Denunciation of the Religious Leaders
        - They are threatened and can brook no rival.

2. All the intrigue of the political trials
   - Pilate trying to handle a live potato.

3. The force of the trial before Herod.

2. In the midst of His Jesus' Disciple,
   - They have traveled in His company and
     know Him intimately.
     (1) When they were asked to pray and
       watch they slept.

     (2) In the face of the cross they are
       all scattered.

   - In the midst of all this stands Peter, a
     reflection of His nature that is in all of us.
2.

(1) Then Is The House of Peter
- Important: What whatever happens, even death, He will be true.
- How easy for us in the atmosphere of the Church, prayers, and hymns to make promises that we never keep.

(2) When the Trials Began Peter Was In The Court Yard
- The followed Jesus "at a distance."
- To be a Christian means we walk and talk in a vital, joyful fellowship.
- Like with a friend or lover.
- That for the many of us Christ never becomes this.
- We are "afar off." We understand the outer, the superficial, but not the inner and the spiritual.
- John 17: When Our Trouble Began.
3. How simply and subtly the Temptation comes. 

(1) A little - Curious - "You are from youth."
   - Often all this an air, speech and clatter.
   - Tries to shingle it off.

(2) Then Again -
   - How don't like me - I know you're from us.
   - Of course not - Don't try to be ridiculous.

(3) Now the men make a plan of it -
   - Peter tries to cover it all up with
     bluster, bravado and cursing.
   - When we become uncertain we often do this.

   - Temptation is never a frontal attack.
   - Always starts by nibbling at the edge.

(4) Then I, come forward in all of us.
   - We keep quiet when we ought to speak.
   - Keep the flag up.

   - The subtle Temptation to conform to pressure.
   - Watch to see how everyone else will jump.
   - We start so small, soon the family is gone.
   - Itself then disintegrates. The brain shrinks.
5. Then come the growing of the cock.
- Thank God for the reminders that come to us,
- It may be a letter from home.
- It may be the courage of someone else.
- It can be a note - "I'm praying for you."
- Dr. R.A. Torrey - Memory of his mother.
- Jim Van - Testimony of Stuart Hamblen.
- Irregular Son - Phenomenon of Falken.
- Daniel Act for Growing Cocks.

6. Beyond the deep measure there is forgiveness.
- To Helen there came the memory of all
  Christ had meant.
- Then the bitter tears.
- Beyond that there was forgiveness.
  "Forsee Thou Me?"
Hymn: Delight the Growing Cock.
THIS SUNDAY
9:45 a.m.—Church School—Classes for all ages
8:30-11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Services
“THE CROWING OF THE COCK”
Dr. Roger Fredrikson
Broadcast Over KELO
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
“CHRIST IN THE CONCRETE CITY”
Drama presented by the SFC Players
Nursery Care at All Services Except Chapel Service

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

My dear Friends,

A copy of the SOUTH DAKOTA BAPTIST BULLETIN has just come to the office, and I notice that our church ranks fourth in per capita giving to missions. This is commendable in comparing ourselves to other churches, but I hope we will never be satisfied and say we have done enough. For until every man and woman and child has had an opportunity to hear the gospel, our work is not finished. Since we are ending the quarter, I hope you will check on your pledge to the church.

Since some of you will want to make plans for the Easter season, you should know that we will have three services of baptism during that time. There will be one such service at the 8:30 Worship on Palm Sunday, another at the Easter Sunrise Service and a final experience of baptism Easter Sunday evening. We hope that you will make your plans accordingly.

In the midst of everything else, we are making plans for the second event of our Anniversary Year — the Anniversary Friendship Tour. We have twenty young people who are now definitely committed to making this tour. This will be a great experience of sharing and learning for those who participate. On Wednesday night, April 27, these young people will share with us their dramatic and musical efforts. It should be a fine experience.

This is written prior to leaving for Chicago. You will have had another inspiring Sunday by the time you read this.

In Christian love,

Pastor Fredrikson
The Power of His Presence

In our Scripture for today we read, first, Jesus is on a mountain with three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, where they are having a glorious experience; second, we find Jesus at the foot of the mountain, in the valley, with all the disciples, where the disciples have just experienced a disarming failure.

It is interesting to note that on the mountain top Jesus had talked with Moses and Elijah. Jesus had also talked with God. Luke tells us that “as He was praying in the Holy of Holies, He was in a glorious experience. This was an effulgence from within and not a mere flood of glory from without. The reason seems clear. He had been in God’s presence talking with Him.

God spoke to them saying, “This is my beloved Son, hear Him.” Moses and Elijah had been talking with Jesus. No doubt the three disciples with Jesus had been listening carefully. Surely they did not want to miss this. Then a Voice—the Voice of God—was heard, “This is my beloved Son, hear Him.” Moses, the great law giver, had been speaking. Elijah, representing the prophets, had been speaking. Here in the person of the Prophet was represented in the persons of these two men, the Voice seems to say, “You have heard Moses—you have heard Elijah—now listen to my Son, Jesus Christ.”

The Power of His Presence had produced a revelation for Peter, James, and John. Here they had learned that as great a 7:20 with the prophet was—they were looking at Jesus and hearing Him. 

A greater than Moses is here. A greater than Elijah is here. Moses was transfigured at Sinai. Elijah was swept up in a fiery chariot. They served their day. NOW “listen to my Son Jesus”.

Peter succeeded to the desire to stay there where they had experienced the Power of His Presence. He said, “let us build three tabernacles (booths); one for Thee and one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” This is one of the most faithless moments in the Bible. The disciples were not successful. They came to Jesus, privately, saying, “Why could we not cast out evil spirits?” Jesus replied, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting.”

--King of All Nations--

A whole world of disbelief stood in the religious experience in the past. When tempted to stand still we should remember that if we would experience the Power of His Presence, we must move onward and forward because that is the way He is going.

Following the experience on the Mount of Transfiguration, Jesus, with Peter, James, and John, went to the Valley, where they met the other disciples. Here we find a striking contrast between the top of the mountain experience and the bottom. Above is the beauty of the high Vision experience; below is the Vision of talking with Christ—Moses and Elijah. They heard the Voice of God. They experienced the Power of His Presence. Below they found tragic need and suffering. They found impatient disciples wondering at their failure and the fruitless discussion that followed. The tragedy is often all the deeper because the very people who had had the high hour of vision and revelation have not themselves made a vital connection with the need. They exist in a social vacuum. To get the full impact of the point here we must remember that Jesus “though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be held on to, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men... and became obedient unto death... Therefore, God highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name...” Phil. 2:6-10 RS.V. This divine charter, this charter from the mountain with God, to the Valley with men, to minister to all of man’s various needs.

When Jesus, Peter, James, and John met the disciples at the foot of the mountain, they found them discussing a problem. A man had brought his sick son to the disciples. They had tried, and they would heal him. The disciples were not successful. They came to Jesus, privately, saying, “Why could we not cast out evil spirits?” Jesus replied, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting.”

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SERMON ABSTRACT—Continued

way of the boy’s being healed. They lacked the Power of His Presence. They
did not believe. They lacked the faith.
“Prayer and fasting” will bring us closer
to Him. Prayer—talking with God, and
fasting—separation from the material and
dependence on the spiritual—will enable
us to experience the Power of His Pres-
ence.

—An abstract of the sermon
preached by Dr. Ralph Cobb
on March 27, 1960

A WORD FROM THE MINISTER OF
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

I have been thrilled by the beauty of
the music of our Senior High Choir these
last few Sundays as they have sung for
our Chapel Services. Mr. Wortman has
done a remarkable job of making this
group into one of real quality, and I have
gotten to think of it as almost the heart
of our activity program for Senior Highs.
The entire congregation will have the
privilege of hearing them as they sing for
both of the services this Sunday. I know
your hearts will be lifted.

It is wonderful to be able to report also
that another Discipline and Discovery
group for Senior Highs has been started
on Thursday mornings. This means that
last week a total of twenty-two young
people met at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday and
Thursday mornings for study, discussion
and prayer in the downtown office of Jim
and Wes Nelson. How can we be surprised
at the vitality of our youth when such
discipline is evident!

Have you visited our Church Library
recently? The Library Committee is rapidly
completing the cataloging and shelving
of the books according to the Dewey Deci-
mal System, and the books are now read-
ily available to you on marked shelves.
These books will give you help in most
areas—marriage, preparation for marriage,
missions, social justice, devotional life,
Christian doctrine. Why not drop into the
Library, Room 110, and check out a book
or two?

Al Babcock

S.F.C. PLAYERS PRESENT DRAMA

The first local appearance of the Sioux
Falls College Players will be in our san-
ctuary Sunday evening. The group will pre-
sent P. W. Turner’s “Christ in the Con-
crete City” at 7:30 p.m. The play portrays
the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. As
revealed in the prologue of the drama, the
play concerns:

“From the beginning God has inter-
fered. His word has challenged to ac-
tion in a particular situation.

“Our story is the drama of God gate-
crashing the petty concerns of men.”

The performance Sunday is one of sev-
eral that the newly organized S.F.C. Play-
ers will give. They have already ap-
peared at the Minnesota Baptist Youth
Fellowship Convention. Later in April
they will take the play on tour to the
Illinois Youth Congress in Joliet. Two
other appearances are also scheduled in
Iowa.

Cast members are Jerry Hood, Dick
Mayer, Kenneth Haring, Mary Stow, Ro-
setta Morford and Lori Larsen. The direc-
tor is Miss Barbara Dodson.

LILIES FOR EASTER

This year we will again have Easter
lilies in memory of loved ones. We feel
that this is a significant way to remember
loved ones at this time of the year and
also adds greatly to the beauty of the church. Names of all to be remembered
and your name should be sent to the
church as soon as possible for publication
in the Easter bulletin. You may phone the
church at any time or write “Flowers” on
the Sunday registration cards.

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