First Baptist Church
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
May 8, 1960
Eighty-thirty and Eleven O’Clock
Broadcast on Station KELO

“Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me: for he who is least among you all is the one who is great.”

AT THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH
Organ Prelude—*Herr Christ, der einig Gottes Sohn’ Buxtchude
“Prelude” Banks
“Grave and Adagio” (Second Sonata) Mendelssohn
(Congregation in Silent Prayer)

Choral Call to Worship
Processional Hymn—*“When Morning Gilds the Skies” 135
“Love Divine” 379

Invocation
Lord’s Prayer
Gloria
Dedication of Parents and Children

INVISIBLE RESOURCES
Reading of the Holy Scriptures—I Corinthians 13
Choral Call to Prayer—“Prayer Is the Soul’s Sincere Desire”
Pastoral Prayer
Choral Response—“Lord, Give Ear to My Prayer”

Anthem—*“Prayer of the Norwegian Child” Kountz
“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Baristow

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living waters flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

In death’s dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread’st a table in my sight;
Thy union grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And gently on his shoulder laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS
Christian Greetings
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory—*“Offertory” Loret
“Nearer, My God, to Thee” Bingham
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
THE WORD OF GOD
Solo—“Love Watches Over All” Case
Harriet Martin, Soprano

Sermon by Pastor Fredrikson

Love Never Fails

HUMBLE ENOUGH TO BEGIN

Hymn of Dedication and Decision—“Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”
Benediction
Choral Response—Chimes
Postlude

*First Service Only

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

The broadcast of the service today over Radio Station KELO, beginning at 11:10
a.m., is sponsored by Petroleum Carriers.

The flowers this Sunday are given by Mrs. Burton Hall and Mrs. Leo Shoemaker in
memory of Burton Hall.

EVENING SERVICE
7:30 P.M.

Prelude
Call to Worship
Period of Hymn Singing
Special Music by Youth Choir
Reading of the Scripture
Prayer
Announcements
Hymn
Offering
Special Music
Evening Message by Mr. Howard Rees
Hymn of Invitation—“Lord, Speak to Me”
Benediction—Closing Moments—“Beneath the Cross”
Postlude

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, 3:00 p.m.—Sallie Peck Guild Mother’s Day Tea
5:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship Supper at Larry Greenfield’s home, 3113 S. 5th
Ave.
5:45 p.m.—SYADS (Single Young Adults) meeting in the Church Parlor
6:00 p.m.—Bryton Case B.Y.F. (Junior High) meeting in the Youth Room
6:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship meeting at Larry Greenfield’s—Mr. Howard
Rees, guest leader
7:00 p.m.—Youth Choir
8:45 p.m.—Hi Fi
8:45 p.m.—Afterglow in the Youth Room

TUESDAY, 9:00 a.m.—XYZ Club Breakfast and Hobby Show in the Youth Room

WEDNESDAY, 4:30 p.m.—Junior Choir rehearsal
6:30 p.m.—Fellowship Supper in Fellowship Hall. Make your reservation on the cards
Sunday or call the church office by Tuesday noon. (Adults, youth—75¢; children
up to 12 years of age—25¢; Maximum per family—$2.00)
7:00 p.m.—Junior High Choir
7:15 p.m.—Midweek Prayer Service
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THURSDAY, 1:15 p.m.—Junior Philathea Spring Luncheon
4:00 p.m.—Webelos meeting in the Youth Room
7:30 p.m.—Junior High Guild meeting in Room 111
7:30 p.m.—Boy Scouts meeting in the Youth Room
7:30 p.m.—Trustees meeting at the Parsonage

FRIDAY, 6:30 p.m.—Men’s Fellowship meeting
Love Never Fails

The Little Things That Are Great
1. A candle that lights a room.
2. A key that unlocks an entire chance.
3. The little leg that puts sticks in a value.
4. Four in His Way
   - Can't be seen, but were important
     thing in the world.
   - God made the world.
   - You can live because of love.
   - You were made to be loved.
   - Great unhappiness where there is no love.

see Roy Kenneth in Ottawa face.
- God is love and Christ came
decause of love.
5. How important love in our home.
Love Never Fails

Introduction
- The Great Meaning of This Week.
- Paul's coming to The Great Love Chapter.

Some Things Love Is Not

1. Eloquence, better speech, that
   Stein man like trumpets.

2. Knowledge, seeing the future and
   understanding the mind of God.

3. Faith, so that mountains could
   be moved.

4. Sacrifice, willingness to sell all
   my possessions to feed the hungry.
His Love Applied To Our Homes

1. The Center Is Persons
   - With hopes, longings, needs and possibilities.
   - We see what they can become.
   - We want the best for each other.

2. We Accept Each Other
   - Open each to the other.
   - Willingness to forgive
   - Accept the worse as well as best.

3. Basic Trust
   - We dare keep the channels open.
   - We dare listen to suggestions from the others.
   - We dare learn from the others.

4. Willingness to Bear Each Other's Burdens
   - Share responsibilities
   - Listen to each other's problems
   - Serve
How Can We Have His Love?

1. We Must Go to His Source.
   - As We Do in All Other Affairs
   - This is the Great Creating God
   - He Has Shared His Love with Us in Jesus Christ.

2. This Is Done by Opening Our Inner Self
   - to A Friend
   - to All Christian Community
Love Must Be Seen In Action Between People.

1. Some of the experiences of Togo.
   - Albert Schweitzer in Africa.
   - Dr. Kagawa in Japan.
   - The boy with the leprosy for Ruth.
   - The Porter Who Operated on A Drop in Chicago.

2. We see Him In Jesus’ Life.
   - He loved all kinds of people and did something about it.
     - Children and Women
     - The woman at Simon’s house.
     - When Jesus was healing the forgiveness of a thief.

3. We can only show our love through kindness and helpfulness.
   - In our homes.
Love is patient and outlasts anything.

1. The girl trying to dance on the straw.
   - She tremendous patience.

2. His patience showed her in our home.
   - Having the Holy One Mother and Dad.
   - God is my way toward us.
The Spectrum of Love

1. Slow to some patience,
   - Willing to be helpful rather than critical.

2. Not possessive,
   - Not anxious to impress nor inflated ideas of its own importance.

3. Good Manners,
   - Does not pursue selfish advantage.

4. Not Insecure,
   - Think how some often carry our feelings on our shoulders.

5. Does not compile statistics of life or
   - Close over wickedness.

6. There is no limit to its endurance,
   - No end of its trust
   - No fading of its hope.

Maturity and immaturity,
- Being losing and getting even.
PASTOR'S MESSAGE

My dear Friends,

There is no area in which we need to help each other more and share our strengths than in the venture we call family living. None of us have all the answers here. The family is one of those institutions which is being shaken and challenged by our revolutionary times. For many of us the experience of family living has not had the deep joy and satisfaction we expected of it. This is why we are engaged this week in a series of informal discussions with Howard Rees of Washington, D.C. Let me urge all of you to be on hand Sunday evening when this series of conversations will be concluded with a service of commitment. Personally, I wish we could have our sanctuary filled with couples coming to learn and to think seriously about the possibilities of family living. By the way, if any of you are interested in a personal conference, Mr. Rees will be glad to visit with you. Call the office and make an appointment.

Our Sunday morning services will deal with the meaning of love in our families. The first service will be in the sanctuary. We urge parents to come with their children to worship as families. The Pastor's message will be simple enough for the children to understand.

Blessings on you.

In Christian love,
Pastor Fredrikson

DEDICATION OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN

We will have a dedication of parents and children in the morning service on Mother's Day, May 8. Those who would like to participate in this should call Mrs. Earl Gerlach, ED 4-8229.
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**FOLKS AND FACTS**

We would like to express our appreciation to Rev. Laurence Beers and to Dr. Bright and the Sioux Falls College Choir for their wonderful contributions to our services of worship Sunday.

Mr. A. L. Vennum wishes to thank friends for their cards, prayers, and flowers during his recent illness.

The XYZ Club will have a breakfast at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 10, in the Youth Room. Members are asked to bring their hobbles or an antique they would like to display.

The R.W.F. will have an election of officers during the Church School hour next Sunday. We urge all students to be present for this. The supper and meeting will be at Larry Greenfield's home. Mr. Howard Rees will be the guest leader.

Beginning this Wednesday, there will be children's groups only for those up through the third grade.

We want to commend Ardisen Foss and members of the Washington High School Band for their fine performance in their spring concert.

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**THE GAPS IN THE RANKS**

**Luke 10:1-12**

The last recorded words of Jesus in the Gospels are "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." This command is the imperative for every Christian. These words are not optional, nor are they to be obeyed after everything else is done. They are basic to the Christian way and enterprise. When I decide to become a Christian, this commission becomes the marching orders for my life.

So, the men and women who have taken this command of Jesus seriously have written a remarkable story. Churches, hospitals, and schools have been planted throughout all the world. The Bible, or parts of it, has been translated into hundreds of languages and dialects. There is a world Christian community which now numbers roughly 800 million.

But when we have said all this, we know that the world is not reached. After all the centuries since Jesus spoke those words, only 2% of Burma, 1% of India and 1/2% of Japan are Christian. We are told now that the terrible population explosion is running ahead of the growth of the Christian community and that if the missions giving of our own American Baptist Convention increases as slightly as it has the last few years, we are actually losing ground. Even when we face our own American situation, there are aspects of our life that are far from encouraging. We face great areas of life that are organized without God, such as sex, work and leisure. Then there are great blocks of our population that are unevangelized—the university community is a great mission field, the laboring man in many instances does not feel he needs the church and our great cities are a perplexing, frustrating challenge to the mission of the Gospel. When we move nearer home toward our family and church life, we become aware that even here we have not become disciples of Christ in the deepest sense.

The point is that there are gaps in the ranks. It is as when Jesus spoke to His disciples and said that the fields were white, but the laborers were very scarce. We have suffered from a shortage of committed, trained leadership in the Christian cause. This is like seeing a beautiful field of wheat, ripened and ready to be cut, while the farmer sleeps in or goes to town to drink coffee. It has become imperative that the church should rediscover something of that profound urgency that Christ had when he faced the great needs of the day.

It is at this point that the Christian college has tremendous relevance. This type of college came into being because men of vision and daring believed that we needed trained, committed leadership to step into the gaps of the world's need. The Christian college can not afford to be uncommitted or tepid. This is a denial of its very reason for existence. It is devoted to the truth. It asks that young people get out of the stands and onto the field to play in the game. It hopes to help each student discover God's calling for his life. In the spirit of Christ the college seeks to create a Christian community which includes everyone—students, administrative personnel, faculty, janitors and cooks. The Christian college calls for support, prayers, and understanding. All of us in this congregation are aware that we have a unique and inescapable responsibility to Sioux Falls College in this respect. What great joy it has given us to share some of our resources with this college, to try to be a church home for many of these young people, to serve as college parents in many cases, and to help some of these young people find their way as they have responded to the call of God.

Beyond all this, each of us can quietly and conscientiously fill some gap in the ranks. It may be in an area of community responsibility. It may be in business or daily work of homemaking. It may be as devoted, growing teacher or worker in the church, but whatever it is, let us with faithfulness and joy respond to God's calling by taking the Gospel to every creature.

—An Abstract of the sermon preached by Pastor Fredrikson on Baptist Education Day
A WORD FROM THE MINISTER OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Dr. Fredrikson and I usually talk about our letters to you before we write them. Today he said to me, “Al, please tell them to pay attention to what I have to say this week, whatever they may normally do!” I agreed to do so because I think what he has to say is very important. He is speaking of our special Family Worship Service next Sunday morning. This service is a part of our education program for children, and we will make the adjustments necessary in our teaching in order to encourage you and your family to be there together.

We have had a lovely letter from the Sioux Valley Hospital thanking our children for singing there on Easter Sunday morning. Our fourth and fifth grades planned their own significant worship experience and went to the hospital at 11 o’clock to share. They had a wonderful time, and we are happy to know how much the patients enjoyed it. We are proud also of the children’s classes that brought Easter lilies. One second grade room delivered the lily in person, and the four who went with the teacher to do so are full of the joy of the experience.

Vacation Church School is near again, and we are engaged in the annual search for leaders. Have you been waiting to be called? Why not give me a ring instead and volunteer? Or call Mrs. Roy Dean, who is serving as the director of the school this year. We can use you.

If you have Vacation Church School materials at home from other years, will you return them? We are trying this year to avoid buying new material because the entire series is being revised and we will have new materials next year. You can help by bringing back the used books.

Al Babcock

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD

On Sunday evening, May 15, Dr. Maynard Berk, our organist, and our Pastor will be collaborating on an evening of worship through great organ music and the spoken word. It is hoped that this will not be just a recital, but an experience of worship. We hope that you will make plans to attend.

Plan Now for Camping

We hope that you will begin planning now to spend a part of your summer at one of these camps. Such a week will be a real investment not only in recreation but in spiritual enrichment as well. Circle the dates on your calendar and start looking forward to one of the best weeks of your life!

BYF Project Camp—June 27-July 2
Baptist Youth Trail Camp, Judson—July 10-July 16
First Family and Adult Camp, Judson—July 10-July 16
Second Family and Adult Camp, Judson—July 24-July 30
Junior Camp, Judson—July 31-August 6
Junior Camp, Poinsett—August 7-August 13
Junior High Camp, Judson—August 7-August 13
Youth Assembly, Judson—August 14-August 20
West River Men’s Retreat, Judson—August 20-August 21
Baptist Vacation Camp, Judson—August 21-August 27
Women’s House Party, Lake Poinsett—August 23-August 25
East River Men’s Retreat, Lake Poinsett—September 10-September 11

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