

When a small group works together for something bigger than they, abiding friendships result. Just designate your desire to be a part of this fellowship by using the enclosed card - giving your name, the church from which you are transferring if such a transfer is involved.

Our Choir Director is Mrs. Hoxton Lain (Dolly) and Choir Rehearsal is every Wednesday at 8:00 P.M. Let's give Dolly all the help we can. Join the Chcir!

Our Greeters at the door today are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Engleman and our Ushers are Mr. Guy Merritt and Mr. Thomas Tyler.

Our Organist is Mrs. Muriel Beckett, our Pastor's wife.

Our Director of Religious Education is Mrs. Norma Carpenter, a volunteer from First Methodist Church, Hyattsville, Maryland.

The Caretaker of our building is Mr. Thomas Tyler.

Our Church Treasurer is Mr. G. Rogers Merritt. We hope all will get to know him!

As Pastor, I want to say "thank you" to all whose untiring efforts went into making possible this opening service: Those who have designed and built this chancel; taken care of the lawn and shrubbery; painted the building and its equipment; cleaned the drapes; prepared the rest rooms; hauled the furniture; arranged the furniture; done special work on the building; made and lettered the signs; buffed the floors; cleaned the building; organized the church school; gotten together the choir; arranged the flowers for the altar; did the necessary stenographic work; furnished plants for the fireplace; and those who have donated various pieces of equipment.

A picture will be taken by Mr. J.E. Schoocraft immediately following this service. This will become of the permanent historical record. Please do for this.

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Please give your attendance registration card to the Ushers as you file out the door.



SEVERNA PARK METHODIST CHURCH

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Morning Worship

August 8, 1965

11:00 A.M.

The Prelude "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide
Thee" (Neumarck)

The Lighting of the Candles Gregory Wemmer
The Call to Worship-595

*The Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" 372
The Prayer (In Unison)

Our Heavenly Father, who by Thy love hast made us, and through Thy love hast kept us, and in Thy love wouldst make us perfect, we humbly confess that we have not loved Thee with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and that we have not loved one another as Christ hast loved us. Thy life is within our souls, but our selfishness hath hindered Thee. We have resisted Thy Spirit. We have neglected Thine inspirations.

Forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we are; and in Thy Spirit direct what we shall be; that Thou mayest come into the full glory of Thy creation, in us and in all men, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance (By the Pastor)

The Lord's Prayer

The Anthem "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"
(Andrews)

*The Responsive Reading - The Way of Holiness 616

*The Gloria Patri-569

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed 512

The Scripture Psalm 84

The Morning Prayer⁵⁹⁶ (Choral Response)

The Offertory Solo - "Bless This House" (M. Brahe)
Eugene V. Sahr

*The Presentation of Offerings⁶⁰⁹ (Choral Response)

*The Hymn "Come, Ye Disconsolate" 312

The Sermon "HOW LOVELY IS THY DWELLING PLACE"
Prayer

*The Hymn "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" 379

*The Benediction-621

The Extinguishing of the Candles Gregory Wemmer

The Postlude "Deo Gratias" (Kreckel)

* Congregation Standing

We sincerely welcome you who are here this morning. Your presence brings a blessing to all of us. We want this church to be "The Friendly Church". Since we are all virtually strangers, will you at the close of the service, introduce yourselves to those on either side of you as well as in back or front. Something happens to all of us when a warm, friendly hand is extended.

There is a nursery during this service in the room below. It is for your convenience. Mrs. Guy Merritt is in charge.

The Pastor and his family can never adequately express their thanks for the warm way in which they have been received. The genuine concern and fellowship that has been extended, and the willingness of all to help, has filled the great vacancy which the past six years as District Superintendent has created. It is terrible for a Pastor to be without a church. We need this church more than the church needs us.

Since we are beginning from scratch, there is some basic equipment which we deeply need. If anyone would like to donate any of these, we will be so grateful:

Offering Plates

Candle Lighter & Extinguisher

Communion Set

Pulpit Chairs

Tables for the Narthex, Rest

Rooms and Mimeograph

Baptismal Font and Bowl

Runner for the aisle and narthex

Help toward the air conditioning

Please be kindly and patient if we are lacking some of the equipment you are used to. All these things will come in due time.

The first class in church membership will be received the last Sunday of this month - August 29th. From this class, we will organize a church. We will be thrilled to have you as a part of this group. Two things we can assure you: (1) Your lives here will count big - for we need you so and (2) You will find warmth and friendship that is probably not equaled.

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