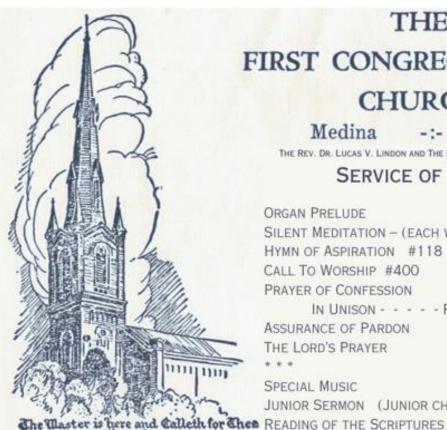


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THE

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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THE REV. DR. LUCAS V. LINDON AND THE REV. MEGHAN E. MALONE, PASTORS

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ABOUT THIS WORSHIP SERIES

GENERATION TO GENERATION IS A TRANSFORMATIVE JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAGES OF THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW. WE WILL DELVE INTO THE RICH TAPESTRY OF JESUS CHRIST'S GENEALOGY IN THE WORSHIP SERIES. THIS COMPELLING EXPLORATION INVITES BELIEVERS TO UNCOVER THE PROFOUND SIGNIFICANCE OF JESUS' ANCESTRY, TRACING HIS ROOTS THROUGH GENERATIONS AND REVEALING THE DIVINE PURPOSE WOVEN INTO THE FABRIC OF HUMAN HISTORY.

ABOUT THIS BULLETIN

THIS BULLETIN IS FROM OUR CHURCH ARCHIVES DATED "THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 25, 1938." ALL GRACE AND PEACE TO OUR ANCESTORS IN FAITH WHO ORIGINALLY USED THIS BULLETIN. WE WILL KEEP BRINGING OUT BULLETINS FROM VARIOUS TIMES FROM OUR CONGREGATIONAL ARCHIVES TO HELP REVEAL OUR ROOTS AND GAIN AN UNDERSTANDING OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY SYSTEM. WE HOPE AND PRAY IT WAS SALT AND LIGHT TO YOU, DEAR CURRENT WORSHIPPER.

NOTES

OUR THANKS to all who have made the Christmas more vivid as an expression of this church—to the music department for the special music and the cantata; to dramatic department for the lovely play, Wednesday night; to the Sunday School for its parties and worship service,

JAN. 2-8 is the week of prayer.

SEND in your gift to the church to apply on 1938.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS go to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Munson on their fiftieth wedding anniversary today.

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year



To Members and Friends of the Parish:

Once again the Star of Bethlehem comes into view in our sky and it will soon be Christmas. Once again our thoughts as Christians turn to the central interest of it all—that which makes Christmas. Once again my thoughts turn also to you in your homes.

More and more I am conscious of our church as a family. More and more I am conscious of the privilege of being your minister and sharing with you your joys and your sorrows.

You open to me the doors of your homes, in times of new joys, in times of trouble and in times of sorrow. You take me into your confidence and friendship. It is a priceless gift. Mrs. Reuman and I thank you for all you have done throughout another year.

And now as we enter this season of Christmas and the portals of another year, with the dire needs of the world upon our hearts, may we together turn to the manger scene, to worship the King, to welcome His spirit into our lives and work together for the coming of His kingdom here.

"Come and worship, come and worship,

Worship Christ, the new-born King."

Sincerely, your pastor,

O. G. REUMAN.