

Order of Service
Westminster United Church
Shoal Lake Aug 19/51.

Call to worship
Holy Holy Holy.
Invocation Prayer

Hymn. 26.

Responsive Reading 731.

Scripture Reading
Isiah 30 - 8 - 18
Math. 11 - 25 - 30

Hymn 40

Prayers.

Announcements

Offering & offering response

Hymn 416

Address.

Hymn 431

Benediction

Call to worship.

In all this world, in
vastness, space

We lean on Thee and seek
Thy grace.

In this Thy House we
humbly meet.

And come to worship
at thy feet.

Invocation

Lord of Heaven and
Earth and sea, we
ask Thy blessing on.

this Sunday morning.
May we meet with Thee
having laid aside the
cares and amusements of
the week, and with
humble and contrite hearts
may we worship Thee
on this Thy Holy Day
Amen.

Hymn 26

Oh Lord of Heaven and
Earth and Sea.
To thee all praise and
glory be;

Responsive Reading 731.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah ch. 30 - vs - 18
Matt. ch. 11 25 - 30

The Lord bless to us the
reading of this portion etc.

Hymn 40

God moves in a
mysterious way.
His wonders to perform."

Prayers:

Our Father God bless
all those gathered together
in thy name on this
~~thy~~ Sabbath day. Give to
each that which thou
deemest each deserves. Our
Cup is always so
full of Thy loving
kindness that we ask
for others those things
which we so dearly
desire for ourselves. May
each one of us assembled

here remember Thy
great goodness to us
and quietly and with
living hearts lead us
to remember those of
our fellow men who
have this past week
touched our lives in
some manner

We ask humbly O
Lord for understanding
and compassionate hearts.

Courage to withstand
the stealthy approach

of evil. Thou who
hast promised that we
shall be asked to endure
no more than we can
bear come to our aid
when temptation crosses
our path that we
may emerge with
a keener insight of
good and evil and be
living examples of thy
great purpose in this
world.

We ask thy blessing on

all those who are
sick and laid aside
this day. For those who
cannot come out or are
on beds of pain we ask
Thee to softly touch
each one and heal and
comfort them.

We ask Thy compassion
on those who could be
with us this hour
but are not. In Thy
mysterious way touch
those their hearts so

that they too may
turn to Thee and find
in turning the joy
and power that Thou
hast in store for them.

Bless all peoples of all
nations. Give us that
understanding that all
people are Thy people
regardless of race color or
 creed. May we by our
individual example of
living and conduct
hasten the day when all

nations shall turn
to Thee as their one
and only source of
deliverance from tyranny
and oppression and
shall find in that
day a world clothed
in universal harrest
and peace existing
from pole to pole.

We ask thy blessing
on those in authority
over us our Beloved
King and the Royal

Family and all the
Councillors of nations
that they may learn
the ways of peace are they
ways, and that the
only way to a warless
world is the way of
thy Dear Son Jesus Christ
our Lord who taught us
when we pray to say.

Our Father which art in
Heaven

Hallowed be thy name
thy Kingdom come
thy will be done on earth
as it is in Heaven. &c.

Announcements.

Mr Pearson will be
back next Sunday.

Offering :

Let your light so shine
before men that they may
see your good works and
glorify your father which
is in Heaven.

Response ³⁷⁴ We give thee
but thine own whatever
the gift may be. all that
we have is thine alone
a trust of Lord from
Thee.

Hymn 416

Creation's Lord we give
the thanks,
"That this thy world is
incomplete."

Address:

It is a pleasure indeed
to be able to come to worship
with you this morning, etc.

18th Verse Ch. 30. Isaiah.

And therefore will the Lord
wait, that he may be gracious
unto you, and therefore will
he be exalted that he may
have mercy upon you, for the
Lord is a God of judgement:
Blessed are all they that wait
for him.

Over

In a recent Editorial
in a U.S. weekly of large
circulation I noticed this

Quote.
Caption. IF THERE IS

A STOP SIGN FOR
INVENTORS, SCIENTISTS
HAVE NOT RECOGNIZED
IT."

Reading the article in
its entirety it struck
me that although it
was possible that some
future scientist would
obliterate the world by

throwing a switch yet
the far more terrible fact
would be that he might
be only obliterating a world
of dead individuals.

The reading of that
article and the thought
that it engendered in
my mind was the
overpowering fact as to
how dead we already
are.

To accept that article,
as millions will, is to

accept with it the
fact that man has
become more powerful
than God. To accept
it is to reject all we
have learned of God's love
for humanity. It is to
reject Christ, Birth
Death and Resurrection.
It is to abolish all faith
in a Supreme being, an
ever loving Father and
to accept defeatism in
its darkest form.

How far are we
along the path of Little
Faith. It would appear
that we have emerged
from whatever path we
have trod and are on
the brink of the Precipice
of "No Faith."

A man must have
Faith in God before ever
he can have Faith in
himself or his fellow
man. It is only by
drawing from Faith in

God the Father and
his son Jesus Christ that
we can have faith in
ourselves. No wonder that
the editor cries "would
he push that button?" The
whole article is that of
a mind groping with
the possible in a
room so darkened by the
lack of faith that it
is already the tomb
of death, resurrection has
death.

That is why the
question this morning
Are we dead to all faith?
It would appear we are.
We talk glibly of earth
shaking impacts of atomic
bombs while God picks
up the world and
shakes it to waken us
up.

We talk of power we
can develop from ^{nuclear} fission
and overlook the power
of the Spirit of Almighty God.

We fear blindly the force
that another nation may
release against us and
ignore the power at
our own fingertips and
in our own hearts.

We listen to others scoff
at Christianity while we
mutedly stand by and
have not the courage to
defend what we profess
to believe.

Is it perhaps that
man in his hurry ^{thinks he} has

got ahead of God and
feels that he can leave
God out and behind. He
has done it before as
we read in Isaiah just
now. "Therefore will the Lord
wait, that he may be
gracious unto you."

It is my firm belief that
God never unfolds to the
scientist any more than
God does good for his
present people. Like children
we seize upon the new

knowledge and rush
ahead ourselves only to
stumble and turn back
to God who is waiting
that he might be gracious
unto us. But he waits
for us to turn back. We
must come that far 'ere
starting out once more.

We disappoint ourselves
so often. We hope for such
big things by doing it
our own way or "going
it alone" and then when

the crucial time comes
to pull the switch we
find that a beguiling
Power interposes and
"God is exalted that he
may have mercy upon
us."

The scientist is on the
eve of discovering a new
and awesome force of
infinite power. He feels
that what he has
accomplished has a
tremendous potential. Just

to throw a switch may
obliterate himself, his fellow
scientists and all humanity
Thus the mind without
Faith so far ahead of God
that God is forgotten and
then the Lord of Judgement
enters in and whispers
Blessed are all they that
wait on me. That is
my Faith and I try
to pass it on to you
this Sabbath morning.
The switch will never be

thrown because God
is the Lord of mercy of
graciousness and blessing
and manifold are his
mercies towards men
if we become not as dead
men or men with no
faith.

Hymn 431

I do not ask of
Lord, that life may
be a pleasant road^{er}

Benediction:

The Lord bless you &
keep you etc.