

July 2, 1961

THIS IS CITIZENSHIP SUNDAY

The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies. — William Tyler Page

God of Our Fathers

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast,
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.
— Daniel C. Roberts

Blessed Is the Nation Whose God Is the Lord

The celebration of the Fourth of July in America corresponds to the celebration of New Year in the ancient Kingdom of Israel. Their year began when the exodus from Egypt made the Hebrew people into a new nation. Many of the Psalms were written for use of the people in their worship in the Temple at the beginning of the year. On these occasions allegiance to the Lord and to the Lord's nation was renewed and the people were imbued with renewed hope and courage for the days ahead.

As we Americans recall and re-emphasize the Declaration of Independence, it would be wise and healthful exercise to declare anew our dependence on God. We can rejoice in our material prosperity, our military preparedness, and our place of leadership in the world. But none of these things will avail to save us from the fate of empires and nations of the past unless we are on the side of the Lord, and He is on our side. Israel was led into captivity and the Temple was destroyed because the people had forsaken their Lord. The prophets had repeatedly warned against the coming disaster but their words fell on deaf ears.

The lesson of the destruction of God's favored land and chosen people is plain enough to be a warning to every nation which believes it has a mission to fulfill on earth and is seeking to accomplish that mission. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." — Dr. Stuart R. Oglesby

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AIMWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Ridgeway, South Carolina Joseph D. Beale, Pastor

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"Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him."

PRELUDE

Mrs. J. D. Beale

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN 368 "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"

*INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ORGAN INTERLUDE (Those waiting may be seated)

RESPONSIVE READING SELECTION 46

*HYMN 88 "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"

*APOSTLE'S CREED - GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:57-69

ORGAN MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "Fairest Lord Jesus" Choir

*DOXOLOGY - PRAYER

COMMUNION MEDITATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*HYMN 381 "Break Thou The Bread Of Life"

INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORDS SUPPER

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

*HYMN 377 "Not Worthy, Lord"

BENEDICTION Response "Hear Our Prayer O Lord"

Postlude

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IN MEMORIAM

Joseph David Donahue of Columbia, S. C.

Father of Mrs. Paul Cook

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 8 P. M.

"Now the day is over, night is drawing nigh, shadows of the evening steal across the sky."

SUNDAY EVENING VESPERS Let us enter and bow in prayer

OPENING WORDS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

*HYMN 208 "Come, We That Love The Lord"

EVENING PRAYER

HYMN 230 "Sweet Peace, The Gift Of God's Love"

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE

MEDITATION by the Pastor

PRAYER

*HYMN 449 "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME TO AIMWELL CHURCH

Coming with her husband into the membership of Aimwell Presbyterian Church on restatement of her faith in Jesus Christ is Mrs. James Edward Mattox, Jr. She comes to us from the Ridgeway Baptist Church. We extend to her the right hand of fellowship into the work and worship of this church. We wish for Jimmy and Mary Frances God's richest blessings to abide with them forever.

OUR SICK FRIENDS: Mrs. Haskell Smith at the Fairfield Memorial Hospital in Winnsboro - Room # 1 - Much Better! Mrs. C. D. Kelly - at her home - doing fine!

IMPORTANT DATE TO CIRCLE - July 18-19-20 Our Revival or week of Spiritual Enrichment will be of three days duration beginning on Tuesday morning for the ladies and men who can attend the morning worship service. The three services will be at 8 P.M. each evening. Our members and friends are asked to reserve these days in their entirety in order that our lives may be strengthened spiritually.

THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH will meet on Wednesday evening at 8 O'clock at the home of Miss Marie Jones. Mrs. D. W. Ruff is the Co-hostess.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS TONIGHT AT 7 O'clock Sharp!