The Bulletin

OF THE

Oxford Second Presbyterian Church

OXFORD, NEW JERSEY



Rev. Andrew Gilbert Yount, Ph.D.

Pastor

Be careful for nothing; but in everything
by prayer and supplication with
thanksgiving let your
requests be made
known to God

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Christ Jesus

Philippians IV, 6, 7

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Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Church Worship, 10:30 a. m.
Young People's Meeting, 7 p. m.
The Trustees meet on the first Tuesday of the month.

The Trustees meet on the first Tuesday of the month. The Ladies Aid Society meets on the first Wednesday of the month, at 2:30 p. m.

The Lord's Supper is observed at Easter, and on the second Sundays of July, October and January.

The Annual Business Meeting comes in last week of March.

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Benediction

September 3rd, 1933

Morning Worship

Doxology
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Psalm 103 sel.37
Hymn 26
Creed and Gloria
Scripture Lesson
Prayer
Anthem
Offering
Hymn 271
Sermon
Hymn 93

Prayer

"Father of our spirits, and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; Bind us to thyself with cords of faith, and love that can never be broken or strained. May we feel the impulse of our divine childhood. and find rest in thee. Feed us out of thy word, and may it be sweet to our souls May prayer daily acquaint us with thee, and make us calm and strong. Cause the light of thy face to shine upon us, co that we shall ever see our path, and find the world our Father's home. Give us patience and peace under every burden. May we not be anxious and troubled over many things, but have the one thing needful and be content. O Master, let us walk with thee! "Amen.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their onthly meeting at the Chapel next Vednesday at 2:30 P.M. There will be important matters to be acted upon, and the President requests a large attendance, as it will encourage all.

The Vacation Period for our Church worship is now over, and we shall meet regularly each sabbath morning in the church for the purpose of divine worship and the ministry of the ford of God. Ifter such times of relaxing our religious duties there is always danger yielding to the temptation of ease in Zion, and so failing to take up again the work of the church.

We therefore carnestly appeal to our people to be faithful in renewing their did ne obligations in the services of the church. This may in many cases be rather difficult and contrary to natural inclinations, but is all worth the affort.

The Pastor desires to thank the Congregation and the readers of the Bulletin for making possible the very unusual vacation he with his family was able to enjoy during the past month.

The trip took 25 days and covered 2700 miles, made without accident or car trouble of any kind. Our native haunts in Indiana were visited with great delight after twenty years absence, and happy days spent with very dear friends and relatives. A week was enjoyed with an only brother in Illinois, and a few days in Cincinnati, with former par ishoners completed our visitation.

It was thus the most pleasant and refreshing vacation of a life-time, andwill last in memory during life.

Yet we are glad to be home again to labor and live with the people we love and devote our wholehearted energies to the Kingdom of our Lord in our appointed vineyard.

Not less dear to us is our unseen congregation of the Bulletin readers, who have shown so much kind interest not only in the church and the paper, but also in the Editor, giving him every encouragment in word and assistance in making the paper interesting and valuable.

We shall earnestly try to make the paper better than ever, but this will be possible by the cooperation of the readers in sending us letters of personal and historical matters. Send us your memories of old Oxford times, and write us whatever lies in your heart. For all are certain to be of interest.

We were pleased to receive a card from Mr. George S. Humphries, written at Elk Lake, Blue Ridge, N. Y., where they spent the month of August. "All the Hadleys and myself have been here in the wilderness-very wild and we live about like Indians except that we have a little cabin instead of a wigwam."

Just before starting on our vacation trip Mr. C.E. Woston sent a postal with the gracious message- "If the benefits and enjoyment of your vacation are all I wish then there will be nothing left to be desired." Thanks! No wonder we had such a fine vacation.

Vacation Notes

We venture to give here a few of our impressions and observations during the visit in the Middle West.

The most notable material change was in the public highways. When we left there nine years ago, there were but few paved roads outside of the citicall were dirt or gravel. But now all the main highways are cement, macadam or brick. Fully threefourths of our trip was on fine cement roads of the same type as in Jersey. As those states are very large and the population is much less dense than in the East, it is a great acheivment.

The middle west is suffering from a drought of nearly three months
duration. The recent heavy rains in the
East did not cross the Alleghanies, and
yet the crops, especially the corn, appear
fairly good.

The business depression of course was the universal topic of conversation, and their condition seems to be worse than in the East. They all say that no decided improvement is yet noticeable.

A real estate man in a city of over 300,000., told us that during the last winter 2000, frame houses unoccupied were taken away piece meal by night, by the citizens to keep them warm. For this reason when occupants could not pay the rent the owners were glad to let the remain to save the houses from destruction. The officers of the city dared not interfere with this vandalism.

Yet every where business goes on as usual. The average American people seem able to rise above all adversities and go on their happy way. The only badly depressed persons we met were those who had been wealthy, and their great losses took away hope and courage.

We returned with a better opinion of people in general. We met with the greatest kindest from every one, in the country and in cities small and large.

Surely unperverted human nature is fine and large, and one cannot meet with it daily without thinking well of our fellow mortals. One wonders less why God so loved the world that he gave his only Son to save it.

John Linn, the New Jersey Samson

We have long been interested in the little we have read about John Linn, who lived two miles West of Oxford. He died in 1841 at the age of 102, and lies in the old cemetery at Oxford 1st Church.

He was famed as the strongest man in the state. He would take a forty gallon cask of cider and hold it up to his mouth and drink from the bung hole as if it it were a gallon jug.

A Philadelphia tavern keeper was much annoyed by the conduct a great bully from He sent for John Linn to come Canada. and visit him without telling why he was wanted. Linn walked all the way there and back, disdaining to ride.

He had not been long in the Tavern which crowded with men watching to see what would happen, till the bully began to abuse and threaten Linn to start a fight. But Linn simply seized the bully by the nape of the neck, boxed both ears roundly, and then with one hand throw him over the heads of the men who had formed a ring around the contestants. The bully picked himself up from the floor and sneaked out and gave no further trouble.

Linn was a prosperous farmer, a good citizen, and apparently a religious man. The copied from his tombstone the following lines

> " Life at longest is but a span Then we are called at God's command Read this with care and be propered To meet your God and then be saved"

Mr. Henry F. Docker (on of George Docker) with his wife visitd in Oxford early in August. To received a pleasant call from him. He lives in Newark.

We acknowledge postage money from Miss Phebe J. Lanterman of Washington.D.C. The money was received several months since, and we apologize for this belated note of it.

Mirs. O.N. Perry sent Mrs. Yount picture cards from Luray Cavern, Va,, and from Lake Goorgo . H. Y. They were greatly appreciated

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. K. Fowler, with Mrs. Elizabeth Hummer and Mrs. Johnson attended the Bible Class service in our Church on Sunday evening July the second.

It was good to see them all again, and trust they will come often in the coming mouths.

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