



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace

THE COMMUNITIES OF
Murdoch Center
And
Southeastern Seminary
At Worship

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
SOUTHEASTERN SEMINARY CHAPEL

Ten O'Clock A. M.

Friday, May 9, 1969

"Let every man be quick to hear..."

James 1:19

Prelude

Call to Worship

"Church bells are ringing.
Church bells are ringing.
Listen! Listen!
Church bells are ringing.
Ringing, Softly, Hear them."

*Hymn "This Is My Father's World"
(One Stanza only)

Number 59

Introduction

Mr. Wayne Brown

Special Music "God's Good Gifts"

Church Choir

Litany of Thanksgiving (Response sung by all)

Chaplain: For ears with which to hear the sounds
around us;

ALL : WE THANK YOU, LORD.

Chaplain: For voices with which to talk and sing;

ALL : WE THANK YOU, LORD.

Chaplain: For music and songs and chimes that ring;

ALL : WE THANK YOU, LORD.

Chaplain: For friends who listen to us during the day;

ALL : WE THANK YOU, LORD.

Chaplain: For being a God who hears us when we pray;

ALL : WE THANK YOU, LORD.

Prayer

Dorothy Dodd

Scripture Proverbs 20:12

Mary Robertson

Meditation

"God's Gift of Hearing"

1. At Worship
2. In Everyday Sounds
3. In Recreation

Kay Lindsey
Charles Huffines
Annie Sue Elliott
Nelson Johnson
Choir and Chorus

"I'm So Glad For Sounds"

4. In Friendships
5. In The Rules of Life
Choral Reading By Gateway Units
6. When Things Go Wrong

Judy Shropshire
Emma Jane Nixon
Harry Myers
Walter McKeithan
Chaplain Fred Stiemke

*Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God"
(First Stanza only)

Number 491

*Benediction (Prayed In Unison)

THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU
THE LORD MAKE HIS FACE TO SHINE UPON YOU
AND GIVE YOU PEACE. AMEN.

*Glory Be To The Father (Sung by congregation)

Postlude

*Congregation Stands

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Harley Cecil
Jim McSwain
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THE MINISTRY OF LISTENING

"The first service that one owes to others... consists in listening to them. Just as love to God begins with listening to His Word, so the beginning of love for the brethren is learning to listen to them. It is God's love for us that He not only gives us His word but also lends us His ear. So it is His work that we do for our brother when we learn to listen to him. Christians, especially ministers, often think they must always contribute something when they are in the company of others, that this is the one service they have to render. They forget that listening can be a greater service than speaking. . . There is a kind of listening with half an ear that presumes already to know what the other person has to say. It is an impatient, inattentive listening, that despises the brother and is only waiting for a chance to speak and thus get rid of the other person... Christians have forgotten that the ministry of listening has been committed to them by Him who is Himself the great listener whose work they should share. We should listen with the ears of God that we may speak the Word of God."

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer,
Life Together, pp. 97-99