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Dedicate Union Church Window In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson

An event of special significance took place on Sunday, March 15, for the congregation of Union Presbyterian Church when a new chancel window was dedicated to the Glory of God and to the memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Thompson.

A large congregation of members and friends gathered for the service which was conducted by the minister, Rev. G. L. Royal.

The new window situated in the chancel of the church building depicts the "Good Shepherd" as He is recorded in the gospel according to St. John, chapter 10. Surrounding the figure of Christ are various symbols of the early Christian church to remind the worshipper of his rich heritage and the love of God toward mankind. In the quadrangle of the window is the "Burning Bush," not only to remind one of the onward mission of Presbyterianism but also a continual rejoinder that the Voice of God speaks in the service of praise to the 'broken and contrite heart'.

In the western panel appears the Baptismal Font and in the eastern panel the Chalice to signify to one and all the two sacraments of the church, baptism and holy communion, and the basic necessity of all men to participate in these precepts of the Lord. Overflowing into the two outer panels and engaging the entire centre panel is the Good Shepherd with the lambs and sheep in His arms and at His feet. An inscription, "I am the Good Shepherd" (St. John 10: 11) underlies the whole picture. In the lower portions of the panels are three symbols, the sheaf of wheat, the hymn book and the cluster of grapes. The wheat sheaf is emblematic of the vast harvest before every Christian to be reaped and brought into the fellowship of Christ's church. It is also symbolic of the eldership and the necessity laid upon every elder of the kirk to see to the ingathering of so great a harvest.

The late Mr. Thompson was an elder of the church and this symbol has very special significance to all who knew him. The hymn book, or the lyre, are symbols of music and praise in the congregation. Mrs. Thompson during her long life gave unstinting

ly of her talents in the choir of Union Church. The cluster of grapes, uncountable and unmeasurable, is symbolic of the unlimited Grace of God toward all.

This new window is a gift to Union church through the efforts of the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Thompson, F. L. Thompson the present clerk of kirk session at Union Church, and Mrs. Norma Pulling of South Bend Indiana. Both Mr. and Mrs. Thompson had been born into the Union Church congregation and gave themselves willingly to all its work until their removal to Georgetown in 1934. Mr. Thompson (1887-1951) had served on the board of session, and Mrs. Thompson (1870-1957), nee Agnes Leslie had been closely associated with the choir and women's groups in the church.

During the service of worship a lovely duet was sung, "Bless This House," by Mrs. Lloyd Crichton and Mrs. Donald Dolson. The minister's text was St. John 10: 11. After the preaching of the sermon Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Pulling accompanied the pastor into the chancel of the church. Mr. Thompson addressed the minister in these words: "Reverend Sir, in memory of our parents, Fred C. Thompson and Agnes Leslie, my sister, Mrs. Pulling and I ask you to receive this memorial, and to dedicate it to the Glory and Praise of Almighty God." The minister replied: "We accept this gift as a sacred trust, and shall guard it reverently, in honour of the faithful and devoted lives to whose memory it is erected." The words of dedication followed: "In the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, I dedicate this memorial to the glory of God, and in memory of His faithful servants, Fred C. Thompson and Agnes Leslie, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The service closed with the singing of "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," followed by the benediction.

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SCOUT CORNER

Georgetown Scouters' Club held their regular monthly meeting on March 10th in Knox Church Hall. Approximately 20 leaders attended and instructions were given on Ceremonies. A cub investiture was demonstrated by Mrs. Vic Gunn with Frank Bryant acting as a cub.

The scout investiture was demonstrated by District Scoutmaster Bill Bellegem with Wayne Fiebig as the scout. The group then took part in the simple version of the "Going Up" ceremony.

A committee has been formed to complete arrangements for the district church parade on May 31st.

Mrs. Townsend visited with the group and has offered to help the pack leaders pass the boys on their second star Nature test. She will also assist them to earn their Oh server badge. Mrs. Townsend is an active member of the Audubon Society and is willing to help any group with these tests.

3rd GEORGETOWN PACK
Glen Roshier, Allan Adam, Ned McFarland, are new chums with the 3rd Georgetown cub pack.

1st GLEN WILLIAMS TROOP
Congratulations to scout Bob Reid who has just passed the Axe and Knife test which qualifies him for his 2nd class. More boys will be receiving theirs soon.

The troop is being instructed in rescue work and fire fighting by Georgetown fire fighters Jack Harlow and Babe Breen. This instruction will last four weeks.

Welcome to Bill Symons, a new recruit who is doing an excellent job on his Tenderfoot tests.

On Wednesday night 10 Cub and Scout leaders, one Rover and three scouts attended the new St. John's Ambulance Course being held in the IOOF Hall. Course instructor is Jack Hunter of Guelph Ontario.

1st NORVAL TROOP
The 1st Norval Boy Scout Troop held their father and son banquet on Feb. 25th in Norval parish hall.

After a delicious turkey supper, served by the local W.L. Redburn Bourse of Hamilton, gave an extremely interesting and instructive talk. The well-attended evening was enjoyed by all.

—A big hockey game this Friday in Georgetown Arena with Walkerton the visitors in the OHA semi-finals with Georgetown.

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Mrs. Jessie Puckering Mother of Local Man

After an illness of over two years, Mrs. Jessie Puckering, wife of the late Lovell Puckering died at her home 15 Isabella Street, Brampton on Sunday, March 8th, at the age of seventy-nine. Mrs. Puckering was born in the Brampton district and had lived there all her life. After the death of her husband Lovell in the flu epidemic after the first world war she worked as housekeeper for Dr. Heggie Sr. in Brampton.

Mrs. Puckering was a faithful church worker in the women's organizations of St. Paul's United Church, Brampton of which she was a member. Three children survive her, Mary (Mrs. William Giddard) and John Thomas of Brampton, and Lovell David of Georgetown. Nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, also are left.

Rev. John McDermid conducted the funeral service at the McKillop Funeral Home, 173 Main St. North, Brampton on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment was in Dixon Cemetery.

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