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SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

— for the life of —

Rev. William H. Horner

1902

1987



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1987

11:00 a.m.

**LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

641 Masten Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14209



Reverend Melba Chaney, Pastor

OBITUARY



Reverend Horner, the son of the late William M. and Julia A. Horner, was born in Greenwood, Delaware on April 1, 1902. He died on Tuesday, February 10, 1987, at Beechwood Nursing Home, after a serious illness.

Reverend Horner was pastor emeritus of Lincoln Memorial where he served as its Minister for thirty-six years from 1929 until 1965. Under his leadership the congregation grew and purchased the present sanctuary in 1954. And in 1956 Lincoln hosted the Genesee Annual Conference.

Reverend Horner was Secretary—Treasurer of the Buffalo District Conference for thirty-four years and was its representative at the 1956 General Conference of the United Methodist Church in Minneapolis. He was also a delegate to the 1960 and 1964 General Conferences held in Denver and Pittsburgh.

A great supporter of young people, Reverend Horner directed the summer Institute for youth at Silver Lake. While serving at Lincoln Memorial he preached in more than seventy pulpits throughout Western New York each year.

Reverend Horner was also very active in the community, serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Buffalo Urban League, Inc., the Travelers Aid Society of Buffalo and Western New York and the National Traveler's Aid Association. He also served on the Tuberculosis and Health Board of Buffalo and Erie County, the Equality Club, the Mental Health Association of Erie County and six terms on the Meyer Memorial Hospital Board. Among the many other civic and community commitments, Reverend Horner was a frequent speaker at the Rotary, Exchange, Kiwanis and Lions Clubs.

After leaving Lincoln Memorial, Reverend Horner

ORDER OF SERVICE



Prelude Mrs. Joyce Mathis

*Congregational Hymn No. 433

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

Procession of the Family

Prayer of Hope The Rev. Vernon Bigler
United Methodist Church

Scriptures:

Old Testament Psalm 139: 1-18
The Reverend Walter Barton

New Testament Revelation 22: 1-7

Solo Mrs. Juanita DeBerry
"The Lord's Prayer"

Remarks The Honorable Clifford Bell
Buffalo City Council
The Reverend Everett Spring
The Reverend Burton Smith
Northridge, U.M. Church

Silent Reading of the Obituary

"Abide With Me" Mrs. Joyce Mathis
and Mrs. Mamie Johnson

Eulogy The Reverend Alfred Gross

Solo Mr. Brias Capps
"He Touched Me"

Meditation The Rev. Melba Chaney
"The Tree of Life for the Faithful"

*Congregational Hymn No. 536
"For All the Saints"

Recession of the Family

was appointed to the pastorate at Warren U.M. Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Northridge U.M. Church in Lockport.

Reverend Horner traveled extensively, including a trip to Alaska with the United States Air Force Chaplain's Corp., a tour to South America sponsored by the National Board of Missions and a sabbatical to Europe and Israel provided by Lincoln Memorial.

Survivors include, a nephew: Daniel R. Halyard of Philadelphia; a niece: Julia Burse of Philadelphia; a niece: Lauretta Anderson of Buffalo, and many other relatives and friends.



Interment:
Trinity Cemetery
Bridgeville, Delaware

... Pall Bearers ...

Homer Smith

Henry Worrell

Monroe Williams

Robert Butcher

John Mose

Bertron Carter

... Acknowledgments ...

The family of the late Reverend William H. Horner wishes to express their gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this period of bereavement.