

THE STONE CHURCH

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI



In Memory of

PRESIDENT FREDERICK M. SMITH

1874 - 1946

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 1946

Garland E. Tickemyer, Minister

REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

MORNING WORSHIP, 8:15 and 11 O'CLOCK

"If you must whisper, whisper a prayer"

SERVICE OF MUSIC

Robert Miller at the organ
George Miller at the piano

PROCESSIONAL

RADIO THEME:

(This service is being broadcast over radio station KMBC while white light is on. Please refrain from coughing. Mothers are requested to leave small children in the nursery or to sit near the exits where the children can be taken out immediately if they create any disturbance.)

ANTHEM: "How Firm a Foundation"

(Stone Church Youth Choir, Ammon Roberson, director)

ANTHEM: "Sanctus"

Wagner-Milligan

(Stone Church Choir, Paul N. Craig, director)

CALL TO WORSHIP: "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations."

*HYMN: "Sovereign and Transforming Grace" No. 76

*INVOCATION Leonard Lea
Garland E. Tickemyer

*CHOIR RESPONSE

VOCAL SOLO: "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" *O'Hara*
(James Stanley)

ANTHEM: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *Shelley*
(Stone Church Youth Choir, Ammon Roberson, director)

ANTHEM: "There Is a Land Beyond the Setting Sun" *Smeeton*
(Stone Church Choir, Paul N. Craig, director)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE AND CONSECRATION: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above."

SCRIPTURE READING AND PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN: "Lift Your Glad Voices" No. 165

SERMON: "Let Not Your Hearts Be Troubled"

8:15 A. M.

G. E. Tickemyer

11:00 A. M.

Elbert A. Smith

*HYMN: (Selected)

*BENEDICTION Leonard Lea
Garland E. Tickemyer

*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow" No. 14

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing.

Visitors please register in the vestibule with today's hostesses: Mrs. J. A. Hilliard, Mrs. James McCoy, Mrs. H. L. Livingston, Mrs. Vance E. Link and Mrs. James Gault

We acknowledge with appreciation the assistance of the Tyler Gift Shop, Independence, Missouri, in the publication of this Bulletin

EVENING WORSHIP, 7:15 O'CLOCK

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING Directed by William Worth, Jr.
Oliver Houston at the organ

PROCESSIONAL

ANTHEM: "O Lord Most Holy" *Cesar Franck*
(Cantanina Chorus, Mrs. J. T. Westwood, Jr., director;
Dana Wendelburg, soloist)

*HYMN: "To Thy Temple We Repair" No. 59

*INVOCATION G. E. Tickemyer

*CHOIR RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: "The Lord's Prayer" *Malotte*
(Cantanina Chorus, Mrs. J. T. Westwood, Jr., director)

REMODELING PLANS FOR THE STONE CHURCH

*HYMN: (Selected)

*BENEDICTION J. S. Kelley

*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow" . No. 14

*POSTLUDE

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THE BULLETIN BOARD

ZION'S LEAGUE will be held in the Little Theater at 8:45 o'clock this evening.

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ALL CHURCH SPONSORED social activities in the City of Zion should be canceled until after General Conference out of respect for our deceased President.

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BAPTISMAL SERVICE: Next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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ORDINATION SERVICE: Next Sunday afternoon at the afternoon prayer service. The following men will be ordained: Elder: Russell Rowland, Eric Cook; priest: Paul F. Kelsey, Norman Rimmer, Albert C. Black; deacon: Montague L. Parker, Floyd H. Miley.

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TODAY'S PULPIT FLOWERS are shared with the Stone Church congregation by the family of President Frederick M. Smith.

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DEACON in charge today—Ralph Savage.

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TEACHERS in charge today—Ollie Pinson, Edward Darmon, and John Gann.

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STONE CHURCH NEWS

FUNERAL RITES FOR PRESIDENT SMITH

Funeral rites for President Frederick M. Smith were held at the Stone Church, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Apostle John W. Garver delivered the funeral address. Pastor G. E. Tickemyer read the Scripture and offered the prayer. Glaude A. Smith of the Walnut Park congregation read the obituary. The Radio Choir, under direction of Franklyn Weddle, sang three numbers.

Active pallbearers were the four Stake presidents, Blair Jensen, Emery Jennings, E. J. Gleazer, Jr., Ward A. Hougas, and President Smith's two secretaries, O. W. Newton and P. G. Fairbanks.

Honorary pall bearers were Pres. L. F. P. Curry, Bishops G. L. DeLapp, Henry L. Livingston, and C. A. Skinner; and Apostles E. J. Gleazer, George G. Lewis, Paul M. Hanson, D. T. Williams, Charles R. Hield, John W. Rushton, M. A. McConley, and Arthur A. Oakman, and members of the Standing High Council.

The President lay in state at the Stahl Funeral Home all day Thursday and at the Stone Church from 12:00 Noon to 2:30 Friday afternoon. Thousands of church members and friends passed by his bier in paying their last respects to him.

DISCHARGED SERVICEMEN

Staff Sgt. Wm. T. Harris, now in Port Huron, Michigan. Donald E. Barrett, 3213 Olive St., K. C. (3) Mo., and Sgt. Adolph I. Roberts, 1301 W. Van Horn.

WE MUST SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS

Do you know that Independence now ranks below both the State and National averages in the amount of money spent per student for educational purposes?

Do you know that dozens of our Independence teachers are likely to refuse to sign contract renewals if the present wage scale which has been made possible by dipping into reserve funds is not maintained next year? Do you know that reserve funds will soon be exhausted and that our wage scale will have to be reduced 15 percent if the proposed tax levy is not approved by a two-thirds vote of the citizens of the Independence School District?

Do you know that the wage scale of the teachers of the city of Independence is less than the average paid to telephone operators of our city?

We must save our school system by voting for the increased levy at our neighborhood school on Monday, April 2.

CONFERENCE LOUNGE FURNISHINGS

The gym floor of the Auditorium is to be equipped as a lounge for conference visitors, and we are very much in need of porch gliders, porch rockers or chairs, and extra davenport. Tables and large rugs can be used. If you can furnish any of the above articles, call Independence 2298 and list them. Arrangements will be made to pick them up and return them to you in good condition.— Bishop J. Stanley Kelley.

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BISHOP N. RAY CARMICHAEL HONORED

Bishop N. Ray Carmichael who has charge of the church farm lands in Jackson County received a signal honor in being re-elected President of the Jackson County Agrarian Association on March 18. Bishop Carmichael, an authority in the field of agriculture, has been a prominent leader in promoting progressive farm methods, and was in charge of the arrangements for the visit of Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson who addressed over 600 farmers of the county at a dinner held at the Auditorium last Monday, March 18.

DR. FREDERICK M. SMITH

The death of Dr. Frederick M. Smith removes an important leader from this community. Dr. Smith's influence extended beyond the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, of which he was president. He was a public spirited citizen, concerned in the progress of Independence and Kansas City.

A man of unusual ability and abounding personality, Dr. Smith was an impressive figure in any gathering. As a young man, he was thoroughly educated for an academic career, with a doctorate of philosophy from Clark University. When he was induced to follow in his father's footsteps in the church, his interest in education continued. The church college, Graceland, at Lamoni, Iowa, always found in Dr. Smith a strong supporter.

His most impressive monument is the great domed church Auditorium at Independence, one of the landmarks of the region. But beyond that he leaves a monument in the lives of those who came under his wholesome and inspiring influence. — *Kansas City Times*, March 21, 1946.

COLLEGE STREET MISSION

Members of the Stone Church congregation in the area of the proposed new church to be located on West College street, near River Blvd., are continuing their brick-selling campaign for funds for their new church. Their latest report shows that they now have on hand \$2,200.00 and a lot which has a value of approximately \$2,000.00. They hope to have an additional \$4,000.00 by the end of April.

STONE CHURCH FINANCES

The report of Bishop Kelley on Stone Church receipts and expenditures for the months of January and February (not including contributions to General Church) is as follows:

Cash on hand January 1, 1946	1,171.93
Receipts January and February	2,927.78
Total funds to be accounted for	4,099.71
Expenditures	1,887.75
Cash on hand March 1, 1946	2,211.96

President Frederick M. Smith

TODAY THE CHURCH mourns the death of a beloved leader, President Frederick M. Smith, who served for thirty-one years as our prophet-president, and under whose leadership the church has grown from a membership of 72,899 to 132,545.

President Smith was an ardent student, and his quest for knowledge lead him into fields of science, law, psychology, architecture, arts, sociology, economics, government, history, language, and many others. His breadth of knowledge and his keenness of perception often were causes of amazement even to those who had close personal contact with him.

His character being unimpeachable, President Smith set a high moral standard for his followers. Anything coarse or vulgar was distasteful to him. To the end of his life, he remained faithful to the memory of his wife, Ruth, who preceded him in death by twenty years. His frequent references to her and the allusions to his bereavement that he so frequently made in letters of sympathy to others bore testimony to the poignancy of his grief in her loss.

He was broad in his tolerance of the beliefs and opinions of others, and gave fair hearings to all who sought his counsel or his protection. His errors were more often on the side of leniency than of severity, and his arms were ever extended in forgiveness to those who sought reconciliation. His unbounded trust in men was at once his weakness and his strength. He opened doorways of opportunity to those who might have been cast aside by men of lesser charity. He gave men wide latitude in the expression of their own initiative.

He never lost his faith in youth, and constantly urged that even boys of early teen age should be charged with responsibilities in church work. The seeming near recklessness with which he placed young men in positions of great responsibility, many of them now serving in the highest quorums of the church, at times gave rise to apprehension on the part of his associates.

He had a tremendous capacity for work and remarkable facility in expressing his thoughts. Letters and reports, no matter how unimportant, and even Christmas cards, were always personally acknowledged.

President Smith was an incurable dreamer. With true prophetic insight, he thought in terms of principles and of the ideal. He was less concerned with the details of accomplishment, leaving these problems to others. He chafed under the obstacles and delays that continually blocked the achievement of his goals for the church. Often he would say "They are not ready for it now, but it will come."

With prophetic vision in early youth, he saw the glittering towers of Zion, and they never ceased to beckon him on. When advancing age robbed him of the energy of his youth, his eyes would still light up with enthusiasm when discussion centered in the realization of his ideals.

President Smith has gone from us, but his visions of things to come remain with us. To the clothing of those dreams with reality, we now set our hands as we turn our faces to the future.

—PASTOR'S NOTES.