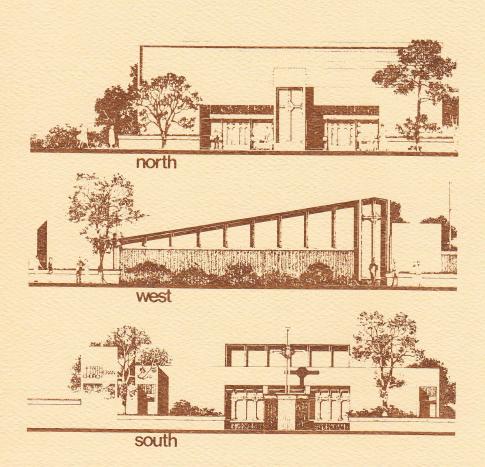
FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

GROUND BREAKING SERVICE

Sunday, April 13, 1980



4785 JACKSON ST.

RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 689-2626

Groundbreaking Festival

Prelude

Procession of Banners and Choirs

Welcome by Pastor

Opening Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

A mighty Fortress is our God, A trusty Shield and Weapon; He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'er taken. The old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected; But for us fights the Valiant one, Whom God Himself elected. Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

Tho' devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us, We tremble not, we fear no ill, They shall not over pow'r us. This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it; He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit. And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Let these all be gone, They yet have nothing won; The Kingdom our remaineth.

Our Adoration of the Lord (Responsive Reading)

Pas: Praise God! As long as I have breath in my body,

All: I WILL PRAISE GOD!

Pas: How good it is to celebrate God's presence

All: AND TO SHOUT HIS PRAISES THIS MORNING!

Pas: Let's celebrate with the sound of the organ and choirs,

Men: WITH SONGS AND HYMNS THAT PROCLAIM GOD'S GREATNESS.

Pas: Let's celebrate with the spoken Word of God

Wom: WITH SCRIPTURE READINGS AND A MESSAGE FOR OUR HEARTS

Pas: Let's celebrate as God's people

All: AS MEN, WOMEN, YOUTH AND CHILDREN WHO LOVE THE LORD.

Pas: Let's celebrate the growth God has given our congregation

All: AS OUR SHOVELS CHURN THE EARTH FOR OUR NEW SANCTUARY OF PRAISE

Pas: Yes! Let us celebrate the great things God has done for us

All: WE PRAISE AND THANK YOU LORD FOR ALL YOUR BLESSINGS!

Our Celebration in verse (Sung by all)

"From All That Dwell Below The Skies"

From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise; Al-le-lu-ia! Al-lel-u-ia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung Thro' ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-lel-lu-ia! Al-lel-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Prayer: (All)

O God, you have promised through Your Son to be with Your church forever. We thank you for those who founded this community of believers and for the signs of your presence in our congregation both through numerical growth and this groundbreaking ceremony for a Sanctuary of growth. Knit us together in unity as a living, functioning, growing body, and make our fellowship of love an example to all believers and a witness to our community around us. This we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture Readings: 1 Peter 2:1-9

John 10:22-30 Howard Wentland, Director of Elders

The Message Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation By Water and the Word. From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy Bride; With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish! Her dear Lord, to defend, To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end. Tho' there be those that hate her, False sons within her pale, Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

The Message: "For Your Church, Lord!"

The Offerings

The Children's Choir:

The Ceremony of Groundbreaking

The Explanation of the Sanctuary — Orville Hammon

The Breaking of Ground by Representatives

Group Representative Architect Larry Wolff

Congregation's Pastor Rev. Frederick Huscher

Congretational Chairman

Building Committee

The Children

The Youth

The Adults

The Sr. Citizens

Wendell Sisk

Ray Hammon

Ricky Ferrell

Stephanie DeWitt

La Vaughn Lebsock

Ralph Tomlinson

Families and Singles* A representative of the family *(Singles: Unmarried adult or adult whose spouse is not a member)

Note: Families are to select one confirmed member who will represent the family in breaking ground.

Choral Anthem: "We Gather Here this Day, O Lord" by Tom Boucher

Sr. Choir

Prayers and Lord's Prayer: (All)

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for moving Your people to desire the building of a new Sanctuary in this place, where Your Word may be spoken with truth, your people may worship You with joy, Your work continued, and our love and fellowship be increased and strengthened. We ask Your blessings on the architects, Larry Wolff and Jon Erlandson his assistant; also on the contractor, the workmen, and our building committee, that what we have begun in Your name may be successfully completed. Bless Your people here with renewed love for You and dedication and zeal for this project. Instill in each of us that hunger to support this effort with our offerings and our prayers. May all of this serve to expand Your Kingdom, to draw into Your tender care those who yet wander as lost sheep, and to give glory to Your majestic name. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, in whose name we also pray: Our Father.

Benediction:

Closing Hymn — Recession of Banners and Choirs

"Onward Christian Soldiers"

Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus going on before. Christ, the royal Master, Leads against the Foe; Forward into battle See His banners go! Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before.

Like a mighty army moves the Church of God; Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod. We are not divided, All one body we, One in hope and doctrine, One in charity. Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before.

Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane, But the Church of Jesus constant will remain. Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail; We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail. Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus going on before.



The Project Architect
The Contractor

Larry Wolff (To Be Determined)

The Building Committee Wendell Sisk, Director of Planning,

Ray Hammond, Chairman, Orville Hammon, Harold Keister, Donna Mendenhall, John Nelson, Carl Palmer, Dean & Shanna Spiva, Don Swanson