

### Firm to Design Plans for New Embury Church

Palmquist and Wright, architectural firm of Detroit, has been commissioned to prepare plans for the new Embury Methodist church building, the Rev. Reginald Becker announced this week.

The site for the new church is bounded by Bradford, Feniston, 14 Mile road and Croft. Permission for closing off the alley across the building site has been granted.

The church will be designed in three sections. This will enable future expansion to take place as funds are available. The first section will finally house the Sunday School section. However, it will be used for church services until the main section is built.

Present plans call for construction to start in late spring. According to Clifford N. Wright, 1768 Holland, a partner of the architectural firm, the style of architecture will be of a modified Colonial to blend into the surrounding neighborhood.

### Annual City-Wide Good Friday Church Services Slated

A total of eight churches of Birmingham and vicinity will cooperate in the annual city-wide Good Friday three-hour service of devotion from 12 noon to 3 p.m. in the First Methodist church March 23. The program is under the sponsorship of the Birmingham Council of Churches.

General theme is "Voices from Calvary." The Rev. Arnold F. Runkel will speak on the topic, "The Voice of Doubt," the Rev. Glen Harris, "The Voice of Faith" and the Rev. Emil Kontz, "The Voice of Victory."

SPECIAL MUSIC will be provided by vocal soloists from the participating churches.

The three-hour service is conducted to serve the general public of the city in the observance of this period of the Christian calendar. The services will be so arranged, so that there will be freedom for entering and departing.

Items for the church page must be submitted by 3:30 p.m. Thursday of the week before publication.

## What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

### First Presbyterian Kirk in the Hills

Palm Sunday services will be at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Dr. W. Glen Harris will preach at both services on the theme, "Christ in Majesty."

There will be a processional of the Carol and Sanctuary choirs at the 11 a.m. service. The Carol choir will sing two carols directed by Elizabeth Ruffner and the Sanctuary choir will sing "Bide On, Ride on in Majesty" by John Prindle Scott. L. Robert Slusser is director and organist.

Several women's groups will meet next week. Missionary A group will meet at the home of Mrs. Edgar Parks, 356 Pierce, Wednesday, March 21 at 8 p.m. Members of Missionary B group will meet at the home of Mrs. Ernest Seaholm, 856 Kennesaw, Wednesday, March 21 at 1 p.m. The Elizabeth Trowbridge guild is scheduled to meet at the home of Mrs. J. S. McDaniel, 320 Fairfax, Tuesday, March 20 at 12:45.

Mrs. Kenneth Swartwood, 507 Linden will be host to the Susan Trowbridge guild, Tuesday, March 20 at 1 p.m.

### Embury Methodist

"The Pilgrimage Play," the life of Jesus Christ depicted in a feature length color sound film, will be presented Friday evening, March 16 at 7:30. This is the filming of the famous Pilgrimage play which has been given in Hollywood for 30 consecutive years. The public has been invited.

The Palm Sunday service will be at 11 a.m. The Rev. Reginald Becker will preach on "Riding to Jerusalem," and the choir will sing the anthem, "Lift High the Triumph Song," by E. T. Van Woert.

The annual Maundy Thursday service of Holy Communion will be March 22 at 7:30 p.m. The choir will sing "The Old Rugged Cross." The Communion meditation will be "The Secret of the Cross."

### Holy Name

The St. Theresa's Guild will meet Thursday, March 15, at 8:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

St. Elizabeth's guild will sponsor a square dance Friday, April 6, in the school auditorium. Tickets can be obtained from Mrs. Martin Murawsky or Mrs. Thomas Sobieski.

### First Methodist

The Ruth Allen and Wesleyan groups will meet together Tuesday evening, March 20 in the church house for their annual White Elephant sale. Mrs. T. Webster Six will be the auctioneer.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Charles Martz, Mrs. Charles Shalberg, Mrs. Fred Gibson, Mrs. Robert Eddy and Mrs. W. W. Dalze.

### Lutheran Redeemer

Duplicate services will be conducted on Palm Sunday at 9 and 11 a.m. The sermon will be "Matthew, the Publican." It will be given in the first person, with Mattie telling his own story.

In the 11 a.m. service, a class of 14 young people will be received into the church by the rite of Confirmation. They are Carlin Brawner, Diana Ebbert, Marlene

Stanton, Lynn Hensberger, John Helgeson, Ruth Hibbard, Susanne LaBerge, Carolyn Roberts, Rosalie Roe, Linda and Thomas Sheehan, Beverly Negri, Gail Sundstrom, and Janice Pike.

### St. James Episcopal

Holy week will be observed at St. James Episcopal Church with the following services:

Monday, March 19, 11 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 p.m., Meditations; Tuesday, March 20, 11 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 p.m., Meditations; Wednesday, March 21, 11 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 p.m., "Stabat Mater," an Oratorio by Dvorak.

Maundy Thursday, March 22, 11 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 p.m., Holy Communion with sermon; Good Friday, March 23, 12 to 3 p.m., Good Friday Tre Ore service; Saturday, March 24, 4 p.m., Baptisms.

Easter Sunday, March 25, 7 a.m., Holy Communion; 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Festival Choral Eucharist (admission by ticket only); 4 p.m., program by pre-school and primary church school, pageant by junior, intermediate and senior church school.

The Oratorio "Stabat Mater," by Anton Dvorak, will be presented by choir, organ and the following soloists: Naomi Sherman, soprano; Marie Wilson, contralto;

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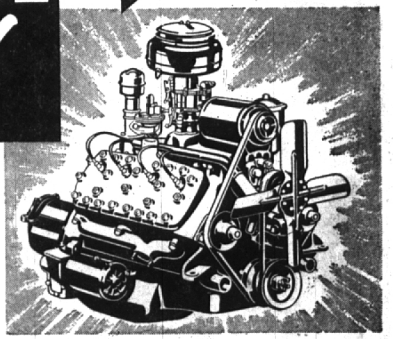
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