

SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

Sunday, January 6
Lutheran Redeemer
The Rev. Theodore Vaggas
will preach on "The Light of the World," at both the 9 and 11 o'clock services Sunday morning.
Christian Science
"God" will be the sermon topic at this church, with the Golden Text taken from 11 Samuel, "As for God, He way is perfect."
First Presbyterian
Communion service, with the reception of new members, will highlight the morning service on Sunday.

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Avoid this penalty by paying your taxes now. If you have not received a tax bill on property owned by you, notify the City Treasurer's office.

R. T. Berger,
City Treasurer

Associate Pastor Named At First Baptist Church

The Rev. Emil Kontz, pastor of the First Baptist church, announces the appointment of the Rev. George E. Riday, associate pastor of the church.

He will assume his duties at the church shortly after the first of the year, while doing post-graduate work on his doctorate at Wayne university.

The resignation of Richard Burns as chief director has also been announced. His duties have been taken over by Mrs. David R. Melly, church organist.

Detroit Minister Will Speak at Baptist Church

Dr. G. Merrill Lenox, executive secretary of the Detroit Council of Churches, will occupy the pulpit of the First Baptist church on Jan. 8. He will be the first guest pastor to conduct services during the vacation period of the regular pastor, the Rev. Emil Kontz.

Dr. Lenox will preach on "Let's Go Somewhere Else!" Others who will preach here during the month are Dr. Hartman A. Lichward, Jan. 13; the Rev. Woodrow W. Clark, Jan. 20; and the Rev. George E. Riday, Jan. 27.

Sunday Sermonette

A Continuing Series by
Local Religious Leaders

A New Year Dawns

By Rev. Reginald Becker
Pastor, Embassy Methodist Church

Happy New Year!

But what's new about it—happy, for that matter?

Now that Santa Claus has been here and gone, the children and the same old questions with their friends. Parents are wishing school would start, and teachers are wishing it wouldn't. Mother is still making beds and washing dishes or complaining about the servants. Dad is back at the same old grind worrying about how to support the family or how much the government will take. And perhaps even worse, each one of us is a little older. We see a little more gray around the edges or have to use a little more rouge. And a few are just recovering from the annual hangover.

It is the fact of being preceded by Christmas that makes the coming of the New Year important. If Christ had not come, the new year would have no meaning. For those who have not received Him, it has not come in any important way.

A MAN WHO was mentally deranged came storming at Jesus in an angry voice. But Jesus quieted him and brought him peace of mind. Everyone was amazed. Fortunately they asked the right question, "What's new?" saying "What is this? A new teaching?"

When Paul went to Athens, that ancient center of culture, the people insisted upon knowing what this new teaching was. They asked the right questions. But they were idle questions, for their favorite pastime was telling or hearing about new things. It was the ancient counterpart of the hot water league or the modern bar stool.

YET SOME did believe. For them all things became new. They discovered that "if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, the old has passed away, behold, the new has come."

John saw a vision. It was a true vision, for God was saying, "Behold, I make all things new."



REV. R. B. BECKER

Thus there begins to unfold before our eyes presented in our midst of the Kingdom of God on earth. For the kingdom is not something that we build with our hands or seize by force. It is the pleasure of the Father to give it to us. We do not build the Kingdom. We begin to live as citizens within it. Then there draws upon us the truly glorious meaning of the old cliché "Happy New Year!"

What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

Copy for the church news must be in The Eccentric office by 3:30 p.m., Thursday.

Lutheran Redeemer

Office of the church will be installed at the 11 o'clock service. The state for the year includes George Lauchlin, vice-president; Martin Eliza, secretary; Henry Gassaway, treasurer; Walter Kiedel, elder; Oliver Airo and John Hartmann, trustees; John Arthur Brannan and William Cowgill, finance.

Harold Melmet is Sunday school superintendent; Roy Lewis, George Meyer and George Shave, head ushers.

First Methodist

The monthly meeting of the Women's society will be held Wednesday, Jan. 8, when luncheon will be served by the Susanah Wesley group at 1 o'clock.

The program, "Kinging in the New Year," will be presented by Mr. Joseph L. B. Bennett. Mrs. J. B. Hildebrand has charge of devotions.

Kirk In The Hills

Teachers and officers of the primary department will be held in the church school staff meets in the church parlors at 7:45.

Scouts and their parents will meet at 7:30 this evening, with members of the troop committee. The meeting will be in the recreation house on the lake shore.

On Wednesday, Jan. 9, the congregational dinner will be served in the social hall of the church at 6:30 p.m. Chairmen are Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stacey, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marston, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sims and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bond. Dinner reservations must be at the church office by 5 o'clock Monday afternoon.

At 7:30 the congregation will meet in the social hall for the annual reports of all church organizations. Trustees' deacons

Baptist Church Notes

The Rev. and Mrs. Emil Kontz were hosts Friday evening at the "Kalamazoo College Day" service held in the First Baptist church. Student assistants at the service were their daughter, Miss Elaine Kontz, a Kalamazoo sophomore, and Whitney Sevin, GSA Madison.

The local program was one of four services held Friday evening. Others were in Detroit, Grosse Pointe and Ferndale.

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