

Sunday Sermonette

A Continuing Series in Local Religious Leaders

"A Heart to Heart Talk"

By the Rev. Theodore Wuggazer
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John 15, 26: "When the Comforter is come, whom I will send you from the Father, even the Spirit of Truth, He shall testify of me. Each of us knows what a satisfying experience it is to sit down and have a heart to heart talk with some understanding person. The disciples often met Christ face to face, and His most impressive method of instructing them was by way of little heart to heart talks.



REV. THEODORE WUGGAZER

He had been preparing them for the times when he would withdraw His visible presence. The thought of His leaving came as quite a shock to them. In order to cheer them up, He promised to send them a Comforter. This Comforter is the Holy Spirit, whose work we commemorate on Pentecost Sunday.

People often talk about God, the Father, the Creator of the world as though they knew all about Him. Then when they talk about Jesus Christ, the second person of the Trinity, they become a little more vague. And when they talk about the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, they seem to be out there in a fog. Everything now has become vague and nebulous, and they don't know who the Holy Spirit is.

Let's put it like this: GOD THE FATHER created the world. When we got ourselves into difficulty by our misdeeds, He planned for our salvation.

Jesus Christ executed the plan which God had formed for our redemption. By His death and resurrection, He became our Saviour.

But all this would leave us cold if we knew nothing about it. The Child born in Bethlehem would be like any other child born about that same time. The three crosses on Calvary would be meaningless. We wouldn't be able to tell the difference between the two. We can learn to know who Christ is only through the revelation brought to us by the Holy Spirit. This is the story of the Book, particularly the New Testament.

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WSCS Executive Board Planning Annual Picnic

The WSCS executive board will meet June 4 in the church house at 10 a.m., followed by the annual picnic at Springdale Park at 1 o'clock. Members of the Ruth Allen and Wesleyan groups will be hostesses of the day.

Officers for the year were installed at the general meeting held a short time ago. Mrs. Hugh Homhill is president of the group; Mrs. J. B. Hildebrand, first vice-president; Mrs. A. Fay, second vice-president; Mrs. Lynn Russell, secretary; Mrs. Robert Peck, recording secretary, assisted by Mrs. Claude Morrow; Mrs. Bryan Rich, promotion secretary; Mrs. Park Smith, treasurer, assisted by Mrs. William Ferguson.

SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

Sunday, June 1

First Baptist
"The Promise of Divine Power," will be the sermon topic of the Rev. Emil Kontz when the observance of the Pentecost is held Sunday.

Redeemer Lutheran
The Pentecost sermon of the Rev. Theodore Wuggazer will be, "God's Temple," with duplicate sermons at both the 9 and 11 o'clock services.

Christian Science
Based on Isaiah 59:19, Christian Science churches will feature a sermon on "Ancient and Modern Necromancy, Alms, Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced." The sermon will show that necromancy, hypnotism nor mesmerism has any part in the healing method of Christian Science.

Unity Center
"Truth" will be the topic of Frank Glabach when he addresses his church at their reading room in the Chester building, South Woodward, Sunday morning.

First Presbyterian
Basing his sermon on Hebrews 6, 18-19, the Rev. Robert Graham, assistant pastor at the First Presbyterian church will speak on "An Anchor of the Soul," at the duplicate services Sunday morning.

DAVID R. MEILY

Choir Director At Baptist Church

The Rev. Emil Kontz, pastor of the First Baptist church, last week announced the appointment of David R. Meily as choir director.

A native of Lima, Ohio, Meily began his church choir career at the age of six. A graduate of Miami university in Oxford, Ohio, he studied voice under Dean Tutley in Washington, D.C., and while there sang with the National City Christian choir and the Schubert Singers.

In addition to being tenor soloist for the First Baptist church in Lima and in Iola, Kan., he directed the choir of the First Presbyterian church and the City Chorus in Iola. He is currently a member of the Orpheus Male chorus of Detroit. He has also been with the Christ Church Cranbrook choir for about 10 years.

Lutheran Church Plans Vacation Bible School

Four topics have been selected for study at the daily vacation Bible school at the Redeemer Lutheran church this summer. The subjects will be "God's Little Children," "Living as God's Children," "Waiting on God," and "In God's Pathway."

Sessions will be held each morning, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 11 a.m. Study groups will be arranged for children between 6 and 14 years of age.

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What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

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Unitarian

About 60 attended the Unitarian Fellowship supper Friday evening at the home of Miss Jeanette Guyot on Oxford road. Mrs. Peter B. Loomis, Mrs. Merrill O. Bates, Mrs. Robert Dearth, Mrs. Howard Harrington assisted the hostesses. Mrs. John C. L. Cowen, is chairman of the women's group which sponsored the evening.

Plans are underway for the church school picnic to be held early in June.

Lutheran Redeemer

A bake sale will be held at the McBride hardware store, South Woodward, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 7, under the sponsorship of the Ladies Missionary society.

Church Plan Conference

Officers of the First Baptist church will hold a planning conference on Saturday June 7. Plans for major projects and programs of the coming church year will be arranged at that time.

Episcopal Auxiliary To Be Hostess at Tea

St. James church Women's Auxiliary will be hostess at the annual Diocesan tea to be held June 4 at the home of the Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Richard S. M. Enrich in Detroit.

Mrs. Roy W. LeMoyné, auxiliary president, will be chairman of the day, assisted by the presidents of the several guilds.

A special feature of the afternoon will be a display of miniature Madonnas on loan from the collection of Mrs. W. A. P. John of 556 Tooling lane.

Mrs. Robert Durham, Mrs. R. S. Hubbard, Mrs. John R. Watkins, Mrs. Coleman Davidson, Mrs. William L. Torrance and Mrs. LeMoyné will preside at the tea table.

Second Annual Reception

Friday, June 5, will mark the second annual all Kirk reception. A program and evening of fellowship will be planned, under the direction of the church deacons. The idea originated last year and has become an annual event by popular demand.

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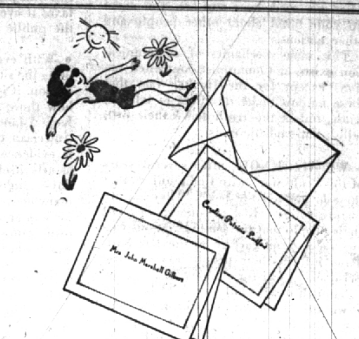
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A SPECIAL program will be presented at the Church of the Nazarine on 7:30 p.m., June 4. Besides an address by the Rev. Charles D. Ide, field secretary for Divot Nazarene college of Kankakee, Ill., the program will include musical numbers by the Viking Quartet composed of Robert Rich, Bernard Archer, Millard Reed, Wayne Gallup of Pontiac and Curtis Brody, pianist. The group is on a 16 weeks tour, covering seven states.



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