

What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

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First Methodist

The Ruth Allen and Wesleyan groups of the First Methodist church are planning meetings for Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. Members of the Allen group will meet with Mrs. Richard Bailey, 1893 Maryland. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Francis Lane, Mrs. Leo Jarvis and Mrs. Robert Adams. Mrs. A. Frye Ayres will be in charge of devotions and Mrs. Beth Duffy will speak on her missionary work in Mexico.

Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Jr., of 231 Oakland will host to the Wesleyan group assisted by Mrs. Stanley Statist, Mrs. Fred Gibson and Mrs. E. F. Volkman. Devotions will be given by Mrs. Bittel, Dr. H. O. Martin will be the speaker of the evening.

Luncheons at 1 p.m. on Oct. 22 are planned by:

The Sara Allen group, at the home of Mrs. William Woodman, 2355 West Wattles. Mrs. J. V. Martin, Mrs. A. F. Boucher and Mrs. Frank Keough are the committee.

Anna Bird group will meet with the chairman, Mrs. Loren J. Sherff, 1763 Dorchester. Mrs. W. A. Dalee and Mrs. Melvin Dadd will assist.

Mrs. Blanche White, 1980 Henrietta, with Mrs. Dan Swartz, Mrs. Wesley Staehler and Mrs. Henry

Anderson will be hostesses for the Hattie Evans group.

The Carrie Murray unit is meeting with Mrs. Charles Harnes, 2259 Fairway. Mrs. Frank Brub, Mrs. Thayer Reynolds and Mrs. Blanche Scott are the luncheon committee.

THE CORA SIMPSON group is meeting with Mrs. Ernest Morrow at 974 Ann street. She will be assisted by Mrs. Carl Westerby, Mrs. Carl Haack and Mrs. Henry Selter.

Mrs. A. P. Wagner, Lowell court, will be hostess to the Mary Utter group with Mrs. Loren Jenks, Mrs. George Mack and Mrs. Branka Rich assisting.

The Kate Warner group will meet with Mrs. Wayne Stettbacher, 1945 Hillcrest. The luncheon committee is Mrs. J. A. MacTavish, Mrs. T. T. Brown and Mrs. Edward Colby.

Mrs. J. MacGuire, 915 Westwood, is opening her home to the Susannah Wesley group with Mrs. E. S. Spring, Mrs. Chester Wisniewski and Mrs. G. D. Manley on the luncheon committee.

Mrs. Beth Duffy, director of Christian education, reported 47 young people of the church registering to attend the youth retreat at the Huron Methodist camp Oct. 17-19. Eight or nine senior advisors are expected to accompany the group. Young people of the various Methodist churches will plan a schedule of activities for the year.

Christ Church

The first confirmation class of the current season is planned for Sunday, Oct. 19 when clergy of the church will endeavor to give lay members a clearer understanding of the faith of the church, the practices and customs of Episcopal worship and provide answers to other questions which members-to-be may bring before the group.

This same day the rites of Baptism will be a part of the 9:30 a.m. service. During the past three weeks Tuesday classes have been held for parents who desire to have their children baptized at this time, to fully acquaint them with the meaning of this church ceremony.

First Baptist

Continuing the fourth annual Bible institute meetings, the Oct. 22 lesson will be "Preacher of Righteousness—Prophet of True Religion," on the general theme of "Prophecy Fulfilled." The evening's program will open with the church supper at 7 o'clock devotions for all at 7:30 and the institute session at 7:45. The supper will be served by the members of Circle I, with Mrs.

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TYPICAL SCENE among Birmingham church women is that of the members of St. Peter's guild of St. James Episcopal church. This group is putting the finishing touches on a layette which will be a part of the contribution for underprivileged children. Women in all churches are preparing layettes and items of clothing for children from one to six years. The entire output will be turned over at the World Community Day services to be held on Nov. 7, a part of the day-long program. (Eccentric Staff Photo.)

Irving Warnick, chairman, handling reservations.

The members of Circle VI are planning the pot luck supper which they will sponsor on Oct. 29 at the church.

Today the several groups are meeting as follows:

Circle I, with Mrs. Charles D. Pinckney, 1091 N. Woodward, with Mrs. Irving Warnick, chairman. The program will feature a book review by Mrs. Grace Bailey.

Circle II, with Mrs. Donald Goldsmith, 998 Brookwood, Mrs. Duncan Hudson as chairman. A book report on "Human Rights" will be given.

Circle III, with Mrs. Roland Erickson, 1756 Washington, with Mrs. Thomas Moorecroft, chairman. Circle IV, with Mrs. Carroll Griffin, 18210 Kirkshire.

White Cross work and business meetings will be held following the 1 o'clock pot luck luncheons.

The various groups of church women are working on the World Community Day program which will be given Nov. 7. A layette is being completed and other items of clothing prepared for children between one and six years.

First Presbyterian

The Elizabeth Trowbridge guild will meet with Mrs. Ivor H. Williams, 284 Pilgrim, on Oct. 21. New officers for the coming year will be chosen.

An all-day meeting is scheduled for the various women's groups on Oct. 22, when officers to be installed next January will be elected. The meeting will begin in the church at 10 a.m. for sewing and election.

Following the 12:30 luncheon, Mrs. Walter Lotz and Mrs. Wayne Williams will have charge of the program on "Panorama of Foreign Mission Stations".



REV. MERRILL O. BATES

Unitarians Name Rev. M. O. Bates To Pastorship

The Rev. Merrill O. Bates of Bloomfield Hills has accepted a call to become the first minister of the Birmingham Unitarian Fellowship.

A native of Massachusetts, Mr. Bates served as pastor of the Grosse Pointe Unitarian group from 1938 to 1950 when he resigned to become president of the Traub Brothers jewelry company in Detroit.

While a student at Protector academy in 1929-30, he won sev-



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Noted Evangelist to Talk At Protestant Reformation

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, noted religious leader, author and lecturer, will speak at the Protestant Reformation service here on Oct. 26. The program will be held in the new First Methodist church on West Maple.

The combined choirs of all Birmingham Protestant churches will sing under the direction of Rodney Peterson, minister of music at the hostess church. Their selections will be "O, Savior Sweet" and "Psalm 150", both Bach arrangements.

Several laymen from congregations of the cooperating churches will take part in the evening's service.

Dr. Jones has just completed 45 years of service in mission work. During that time he has developed many missions, founded schools and built a theological seminary in India. Much of this work has been supported by his own efforts as a lecturer in the United States.

CURRENTLY HE is spending six months of the year in the foreign field and six months at home in the United States. This year he plans to conduct 10 Christian missions across the country which, with his speaking engagements, will fill out a schedule of over 200 addresses during his six months in America.

Although noted for his lecturing and writing efforts, Dr. Jones prefers to be known as an evangelist, which he translates as "a bearer of good news".

In spite of his personal preference, his books have brought him international fame, probably the most outstanding being "Christ of the Indian Road".

OVERSHADOWED by the sale of a million copies of this book, others of his works are still widely read. These include "Abundant Living", "The Way", and more recently, "The Way to Power and Peace" and "How to Be a Transformed Person".

Dr. Jones has probably the shortest record in the world as a bishop. In 1928 he was elected a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal

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Detroit Judge to Address Presbyterian Men's Club

Judge Joseph A. Moynihan of the Wayne county circuit court will be the speaker this evening when the Men's club of the First Presbyterian dinner club meets at 8:45 in the church.

Judge Moynihan, who will be introduced by Milton Moller, will speak on the work of the Detroit Round Table of Catholics, Jews and Protestants.

He is a director of the American Speakers club and a past president of the Inter-American Bar association.

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