

# Christ Church Choir To Sing The Requiem

The choir of Christ Church Cranbrook, assisted by harp, string quartet, organ and soloists, will present Gabriel Faure's "The Requiem," at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, November 4. Maurice Garabrant will direct.

Highlight of the afternoon's performance will be the solos done by Kenneth Dix, boy soprano of St. Mary's church of Windsor, Ontario.

Kenneth has won many honors in Canada, including first prize for boy's solo at the 1951 Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto. The bass solo parts of the Requiem will be sung by Syver Thingstad, Kent McDonald, organist and director at St. James' church, will accompany at the organ.

## What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

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

### Our Shepherd

The Women's club will sponsor their third annual bazaar and dinner in the church, 14 Mile and Melton, on Thursday, Nov. 6.

Parcel post and baked goods booths will be among the dozen or more which are planned under the general chairmanship of Mrs. Raymond Stief. The bazaar hours will be from 2:30 p.m., with the church, will accompany at the organ.

dinner hour in charge of Mrs. Joseph Bassett and her committee.

### First Methodist

A 10 a.m. meeting is planned for the Women's Society executive board on Nov. 5. After the meeting the group will hear Mrs. J. O. Walker, past president of the Detroit district speak on "Missions I Have Visited."

The devotional part of the program will be directed by Miss Rita Adams. The speaker for the afternoon session is to be Mrs. Colin Houston, president of the Detroit district, W.S.C.S. Luncheon will be served at 12:45 p.m.

### Lutheran Redeemer

The Young People's group will meet Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the youth room for a business meeting and program. A film showing the work done at Wheatridge Sanitarium will be presented. It is a part of the national program of the young people of the Lutheran church and partly supported by the Christmas seal sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoover and Mrs. and Mrs. Carter Bowen will be hosts at the couple's club supper and fellowship hour. The affair will be held in the church Sunday at 6 p.m.

A voters' assembly will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, when the 1952 church budget will be presented for consideration. George McLaughlin is chairman of this group.

## New Ideas Presented For Church Bazaar

Members and friends of the First Presbyterian church are uniting their efforts in presenting the first bazaar in the church's history. The two-day affair will be held in the church basement, Nov. 7 hours will be from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Nov. 8, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Mrs. William Milligan, general chairman, said last week that, so far as she knows, no church event has had such wide participation. "The women of the church have been preparing for it for months," Mrs. Milligan said. "They have been making table linens, doll clothes, children's clothes, gift items, jams, jellies, preserves and ever so many other things to supply our booths."

"We have dozens of dressed dolls and doll dresses, and for the little girl who likes to sew, dresses cut and ready for the needle."

"THE MEN OF the church are building our booths for us," she said, "and doing everything they can to make this affair successful. It's not only our first bazaar, but our first public effort to help finance the construction of our new church."

In addition to the several booths, the groups are launching new features in their bazaar.

News copy submitted early necessarily is given preference over late items. So the "Early Bird" usually gets the space.

Mrs. Janet Price will operate the "camera obscura," making silhouettes of anyone who calls at her "shop." A record booth will be maintained for the preparation of personal messages to far-off friends and relatives.

Another innovation will be the postoffice booth, where packages mailed from many American cities, resorts and so on, as well as foreign countries will be sold. Prices and contents have been planned for adults and children.

THE FAVORITE recipes of members of the church women have been gathered and printed into one cookbook.

New and used books, along with magazines will be available to those who like to read. There will be Christmas decorations, cards and gift wrappings.

A snack bar will supply quick lunches for shoppers.

Mrs. Milligan said she felt this event would have everything usually found at a bazaar, and was hoping there were to be a number of items entirely new.

"We all, members of the church, those who attend but who do not mention with our church, have prepared for the event. Several persons, suffering physical handicaps have used what ability they have to make items for it. I've never seen anything attempted by the church which has drawn us so closely together as this bazaar."



JANET PRICE MARY LOUISE AND MARGARET BIRD Silhouettes are special bazaar feature

## Sunday Sermonette What Is Christian Marriage?

By The Rev. Robert L. DeWitt, Christ Church Cranbrook

When a young man or woman first plans to be married, he thinks he is seeking a relationship which will yield a greater happiness than he has ever known. He is wiser than he knows. The physical and spiritual union of a man and woman created by their mutual consent, especially when blessed by the gift and heritage of children, brings the deepest kind of fulfillment and completeness of life. This union is intended to be life-long. Intended so not only by tradition, the church, the very vows, but also by the couple themselves. Nothing is more inconceivable to a bride or groom than that it could be otherwise. Yet such are the corrosive influences of modern life that today it can be said with wisdom, our present divorce rate demonstrates this.

FURTHER, not only modern life, but human nature itself militates against the perfection of the union of man and woman. They are two separate individuals, they come from two separate families. They marry not only their samenesses, but their differences. That very difference is, to each, one of the attractive things about the other; yet human pride, sin, makes these differences into matters of tension.

It is here that we see the unique character of Christian marriage. Christianity teaches us that these differences are inevitable, but that they need not be final. It teaches that these differences can be overcome, not by our own powers of reasonableness or tact, but by the reconciling Spirit of God. It teaches that in order to make their marriage into the kind of relationship they most deeply desire, "the two must face a Third."

CHRISTIANITY holds that a marriage relationship which is made up solely of a man and woman is an incomplete marriage. Completeness is found through the presence of the Spirit of God. This Divine Presence is symbolized by starting this relationship at the altar of God, and by constantly returning it to that altar through prayer and worship.

It is for this reason that many churches advise a pre-marital counseling interview between the minister and the couple, that they may understand the true meaning of Christian marriage. It is to help them to create the kind of marriage which will, in fact, yield a greater happiness than they have ever known.

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Approximately 32 acres in the South East 1/4 of the North East 1/4 of Section 34, part of the property known as the Mercier Farm.

The tentative text and map of the area affected may be examined at the Bloomfield Township Hall during the usual business hours.

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