

What's Being Planned By BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES

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

First Methodist

Women's Society of Christian Service have scheduled Sept. 24 meetings as follows:
Sara Allen group at the home of Mrs. Amos Gregory, 1216 Dorchester. She will be assisted by Mrs. G. G. Yetter, Mrs. E. O. Hascall and Mrs. R. V. Hutchinson.
Mrs. Wilson Wagner will be hostess to the Anna Bird group at her lake home. A pot luck luncheon will be served.
Mrs. A. F. Runkel, Mrs. Don Dasher and Mrs. Dwight Baldwin will assist Mrs. Roger Emmert, 348 Bervyn, when she entertains the Hattie Evans group.
The Carry Murray group meets

with Mrs. Glenn Waggoner, 1300 Oxford road. Mrs. Charles Harless, Mrs. Meredith Smith and Mrs. Ashley Todd have been asked to assist.
Mrs. Dave Dorman, 151 Glenary is hostess of the Cora Simpson unit. Her aides are to be Mrs. John Kaller, Mrs. Jay Calvert and Mrs. Melville Werner.
The Mary Uter group will meet at the home of Mrs. Colla Green, Watters, 1026 Canterbury, who will be assisted by Mrs. Perrin Shattuck, Mrs. F. J. Watkins and Mrs. Walter Lange.
Mrs. E. L. Bithrong, 1030 Rivernook, assisted by Mrs. Roy Smith, Mrs. Louis Anderson and Mrs. J. M. Macrae, will be hostess to the Kate Wagner unit.
The Susan Wesley group meets

First Baptist

The annual Homecoming service, planned especially for the close of the summer season, is set for Sept. 21. Following the morning service a dinner will be served in the church. Dinner reservations must be made in advance through Mrs. Edwin Minks or at the church office. An illustrated talk on South Africa will be given by Frank G. Crooks as a part of the special program.

First Presbyterian

Hostesses for the Women's divisions of the Sept. 24 meetings are: Mrs. Stuart Allen, 619 Harmon; II, Mrs. Clara Dean, 154 Chesterfield; III, Mrs. Malcolm Ferguson, 3105 St. Charles; IV, Mrs. L. Stauffer; V, Mrs. D. L. Van Dusen, 1015 Waddington; VI, Mrs. Lester Griem, 724 Williams; VII, Mrs. J. M. George, 5045 Riverside, 19609 Riverside.

Church Council Program to Note Bible Revision

Birmingham church men, pastors and laymen, will take part in the nation-wide program Sept. 30, commemorating the publication of the revised standard edition of the Holy Bible. More than 3,000 communities in the United States and Canada are planning programs in observance of what is called "the greatest Bible news in 341 years, since the King James version was published in 1611."
The Birmingham Council of Churches, branch of the Detroit Council of Churches will sponsor a meeting in the First Baptist church. The Rev. Robert Graham, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will be chairman of the evening.
The Rev. W. Glen Harris, First Presbyterian church pastor, is heading the committee which will select persons to whom copies of the new Bible will be given.

A DETROIT pastor, the Rev. Robert Faith of Bethel Anglican Reform church is the speaker of the evening. The general theme for the program will be "The Word of Life in Living Language."
The King James version was published in the language of the time. The new version will likewise reflect the modern language and has brought about several changes in the wording of passages, which have been done with the aim of creating a clearer and more meaningful meaning for today's people.
One example of the modernization of Biblical phrases is noted in the oft-quoted verse of St. Matthew. The St. James version reads "while in the new version the verse reads '... let the little children ...'"
THE REVISION was done by the Standard Bible committee, a group appointed in 1950 by the International Council of Religious Education on behalf of 40 Protestant churches. They were aided by 32 Bible scholars.
A spokesman for the national group said the first edition would be nearly 10 million volumes. To better show the size of the project, he explained that these would form 100 miles high, if placed one upon the other.

SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

SUNDAY, SEPT. 21
First Baptist
"Frontiers We Face Today," is the sermon topic which the Rev. Emil Kozts has selected for the Home Coming service Sunday morning. His text, Hebrews 11:30-32, "God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect."
Christian Science
The unrelativity of matter in human experience is shown in the Lesson-Sermon under the topic "Matter." Taken from Jeremiah 3:23, the text reads: "Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel."
Unity Center
"The Prayer That God Must Answer," is the topic on which Frank Gladbach, Unity leader, will speak Sunday morning. Services are held in the Theater building.
Redeemer Lutheran
The Rev. Theodore Waggoner has chosen to speak on "The God Who Leaves Man Alone," at his services Sunday morning.
First Presbyterian
The third verse of the fourth chapter of Colossians, "With praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds" is the text for the Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph.D., at both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services. His topic is "God's Open Door."

Sunday Sermonette Value of the Soul

By The Rev. William Ardrey
Pastor, Church of the Nazarene
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"If the body has its various members, so has the soul its various faculties and attributes. There is the understanding, which is the eye of the mind, and is the inlet of knowledge. There is the judgment which weighs and determines the things which the understanding has received. There is the will, which chooses or rejects the things brought before it by the understanding. There are the affections, which cause us to love or desire or delight in that which we may choose. There is the memory, which is the mental capacity for storing up our knowledge of things and events. You will also note that conscience is the monitor of the soul, which judges and pronounces verdicts upon all we do or say or think."
When God formed the body of earth, "He breathed into the (man's) nostrils the breath of life." But said "But though outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day."
"The mighty Stephen said "Lord

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Presbyterians Units Plan Fall Bazaar

Ladies of the First Presbyterian church have spent the summer preparing for the church bazaar which they will sponsor Nov. 7-8. The affair will be held at the church from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., daily.
Group chairmen and the booths they will have charge of are Mrs. Dwight Ireland and Mrs. A. J. Hopkins, Division I, jewelry; Mrs. Ernest Seaborn and Mrs. Floyd A. Franklin, Division II and IV, linen; Mrs. David VanDusen, garden plants and supplies, Division V.
Mrs. George Limp, Division VI, parcel post; Mrs. Charles Butters, Division VII, books and records; Mrs. A. L. Hillwork, Missionary A, aprons; Mrs. E. H. Peterson, Missionary B, Christmas items; Mrs. Paul McDonald, Susan Trowbridge, quilt, gift shop.
Mrs. William J. Bird, Elizabeth Towbridge, quilt, dolls and doll dresses; Mrs. John Werner, Sarah Hunter, quilt, toys; Mrs. C. M. Greenleaf, Nellie Claude, quilt, snack bar; Mrs. Howard Coe, Westminster guild, kitchen cupboard and food. The chairs will have charge of "attic treasures."

Birmingham, Royal Oak Church Women Sponsor Missionary Institute

Birmingham's Council of Church Women is cooperating with the South Oakland council in their presentation of the annual Missionary Institute next week.
The affair will be held in the First Methodist church in Royal Oak on Sept. 26, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Following a 12:30 luncheon on afternoon program is also scheduled.
Mrs. John Martin will be the morning speaker, "Human Rights and the Church" will be her topic, telling the part the church can play in granting each individual his proper consideration.
During the afternoon Mrs. Howard Richard will speak on "mission work in Africa."
Both subjects have been accepted for interdenominational study throughout the country during the current session.

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