

Christian Science Group to Sponsor April 3 Lecture

Earl S. Simms, C.S. of Austin, Tex., former investment executive, will deliver a lecture at 8 p.m., April 3, at the Royal Oak theater. Brought here through the efforts of the First Church of Christ, Scientist of Birmingham, he will speak on "Christian Science: The Science of Christianity." His lecture will be open to the public.

The speaker served as president of the Austin insurance exchange, director of the Chamber of Commerce and president of the Kiwanis club. He was also lieutenant governor of the Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis district and is a World War I Air Corps veteran.

Since leaving the business world he has devoted his time exclusively to the work of the Christian Science church and has had considerable experience as a practitioner. Since 1946 he has lectured widely throughout this country, Canada, British West Indies and the Canal Zone.

Church News Deadline is 5 p.m. on Thursdays.



EARL S. SIMMS

Church Group to Meet

The regular meeting of St. James Episcopal church is scheduled for April 8. Hostesses for the meeting will be Mrs. James Dickson, Mrs. J. W. Johnson and Mrs. Edward Dinger.

Attend

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Three Hour Service

12:05-1:00 The Christian Confronts Pain

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Dr. Arnold Runkel

2:05-3:00 The Christian Confronts Death

Dr. W. Glen Harris

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(Worshippers may enter or leave after each service)

SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

Christian Science

Much that mortal man regards as true is found to be untrue in the absolute spiritual sense, when examined in the light which Christian Science throws on the scriptures. This is brought out in the Lesson-Sermon "Unreality" which will be read in the Birmingham church on April 6.

First Methodist

The Rev. Arnold F. Runkel, D.D., will continue his series of six sermons based on "The Prayer that Changed the World," phrases taken from the Lord's Prayer. His final sermon will be on "Time Forever."

First Presbyterian

"Problems that the Resurrection Solves" will be the topic on Easter Sunday of the Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph.D.

First Baptist

The Rev. Emil Koutz will speak on "The Power of His Resurrection" Easter Sunday morning. His evening topic will be "This Is the Life Eternal."

Unity Center

The local group, affiliates of the Unity School of Christianity, will hold its regular Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock, room 203 of the Birmingham theater building. Frank Glahack will speak.

Church of the Nazarine

The Rev. William Ardrey will speak on "King for a Day" at the morning service and has chosen as his topic for the 7:30 p.m. sermon, "The Dying Thief Saved."

Assemblies Lutheran

"Faith Assured" will be the topic on which the Rev. Paul Shimpert will speak at the 7:30 a.m. Sunrise service. His topic for the 11 o'clock service will be "News from the Graveyard."

United Brethren

The Rev. Lee J. Grifly has selected "Resurrection Revelations" as the theme of his sermon Sunday morning.

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MOST RECENT addition to Redeemer Lutheran church on West Maple is the signpost which was installed in the church lawn a few days ago. In keeping with the colonial design of the church, the ironwork was prepared by Harold Milbrath of the Cranbrook academy of arts. The signboard was prepared and printed by Karl Otto, a member of the Redeemer church congregation.

Redeemer Mission Group Helping Provide Easter Gifts for Hospitalized

The Ladies Missionary society of Redeemer Lutheran church is once again using its part to make Easter a happier day for patients in the Oakland county infirmary and children at the Lakeside convalescent home in Pontiac. Representatives of the society met with other groups at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Royal Oak on Tuesday to fill baskets with home made cookies, candies and Easter eggs. The completed effort, being about 100, were delivered that day to the two institutions.

Present from the local church were Mrs. Garret Burns, Mrs. Lee Mahler, Mrs. Adolph Kowarski, Mrs. Ernest Shubert and Mrs. Herman Fiebig.

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First Presbyterian Church
CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICES
and
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
THURSDAY, APRIL 2nd at 8:00 p.m. FOR YOUNG PEOPLE and THEIR FRIENDS
and
GOOD FRIDAY at 8:00 P.M. FOR ALL CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
EASTER MORNING
7:00 A.M.—
Breakfast for Junior and Senior High Youth
8:15-9:30-11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service
Sermon Theme
"PROBLEMS THAT THE RESURRECTION SOLVES"
Dr. W. Glen Harris will preach.
Church School grades 1 through 4 will meet at 9:30. Grades 5 through 12 are urged to attend the 9:30 Worship Service with their parents.

Congregational Women Form Society; Officers Named for Coming Year

Mrs. William Arford was named president of the women's organization of the newly formed Congregational church at its meeting Wednesday night.

Other officers named are Mrs. James Flanck, first vice president and membership chairman; Mrs. Milton J. Taup, second vice president and program chairman; Mrs. Jack A. Clark, secretary; Mrs. Clare DuVall, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Harold Goodhue, treasurer.

Aiding in the formation of the group were Mrs. Harold Curry, president of the district association and Mrs. Ketha Olson, state president.

The next meeting will be at the Goodhue home, 18155 Dunblaine at 8 p.m. on April 8.

ACTING AS supply pastor for the newly formed Congregational Church, Birmingham, the Rev. Robert M. Frisbie, D.D., of Ferndale will preach the opening sermon on Easter Sunday. His topic will be "Victorious Living." This first formal service of the new group will be held from 8:35 p.m. in the First Presbyterian church. Dr. Frisbie will serve the church on a temporary basis during the formation arrangements.

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Nellie Clizbe Guild To Hear Book Review

The April 4 meeting of the Nellie Clizbe Guild, First Presbyterian church, will be at the home of Mrs. H. C. Bigg. The afternoon program will feature a review of Dr. Samuel Messersmith's "The Patient War" starting at 1:30 p.m. Serving on the luncheon committee are Mrs. H. S. Mysing, Mrs. Malcolm P. Ferguson.

First Methodist Church
Corner West Maple and Pleasant

Easter Sunday Services
SUNRISE SERVICE 7 A.M.
"A Brighter Tomorrow" Mrs. Beth Duffy
Easter Breakfast following

DUPLICATE WORSHIP SERVICES
9 A.M.—11 A.M.
"Thine forever" Dr. Arnold Runkel
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THE COLONEL'S WORD WILL STAND

During my military service in India, I had in my regiment a little bugler who was top ranked. He was killed in action, and then his mother died. The regiment was bivouacking some miles from camp for rifle practice. I had a rough lot of recruits. Acts of insubordination had been brought to my notice, and I had pledged to make an example of the very next offender by having the offender flogged. The night targets were thrown down and afterwards mutilated by an occupant of the tent where Willie Holt was camped. I am ready to swear that I saw it.

When I appealed to them to produce the man, and at last I said "If any one of you who slept in number four tent last night will come forward and take his punishment like a man, the fog will get off your back, but if not, there remains no alternative but to punish you all each in turn to revive ten strokes." After a period of dead silence, Willie Holt came forward saying, "I am ready."

For a moment I was speechless. We all knew that this lad was quietest. Sick at heart, I gave the order, and Willie was led away for punishment. He was stood with bare back as one, two, three strokes descended. At the fourth a faint moan escaped his white lips, but before the fifth fell, Jim Sykes, the black sheep of the regiment, seized the whip, and with choking utterance he shouted, "Stop it, Colonel, stop it, and tie me up instead! He never did it, but I did."

Willie lifted his eyes to the man's face and smiled. "No, Jim, he whispered, 'you are safe now, the Colonel's word will stand.'"

The next day as the boy lay dying in the hospital tent, I saw Jim Sykes at his side muttering, "Why did you do it? Why did you do it?"

"Because I wanted to take it for you, Jim, I thought it might help you to understand why Christ died for you," Willie's weak voice answered.

"Christ died for me?" Jim answered.

"Yes, He died for you because He loved you. I love you, Jim, but I only suffered for one sin. Christ took the punishment for all the sins you have ever committed. He has died for you so that you can be free."

"Your Saviour says, 'He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but is passed from death unto life. Whoso receiveth Him—'

The lad's voice faltered, but his head rested gently on Jim's bowed head. After a pause, which Willie's spirit passed from earth to heaven.

"All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."—Isaiah 53:6

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Good Friday
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Communion Service—7:15 p.m.
Evening Meditation—8 p.m.

Easter Sunday: 9 A. M. and 11 A. M.
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