

**Methodist Young People Will Attend Retreat**

Two big loads of young people will leave the First Methodist church this afternoon, May 8, to attend a weekend retreat at the Huron Methodist camp north of Port Huron.

A program of religious fellowship and social life has been planned for the intermediate and high school age groups. There are discussion groups, community singing and other events planned to maintain a full program throughout the affair.

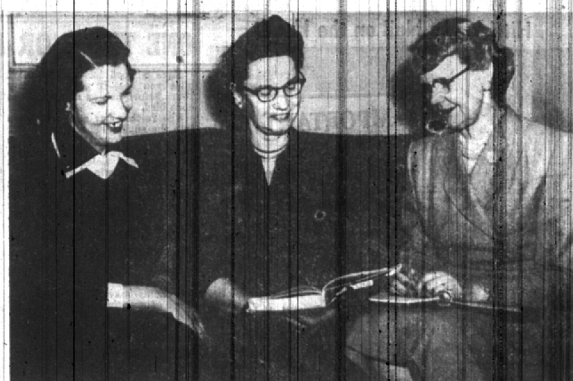
Adult counselors include Lynn Russell, dean of the retreat, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Beth Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. William Younger, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Emmert, Ken Finkle, Mrs. Jesse Hildebrand, Mrs. Zyllis Orr and Mrs. Henry Sellers.

The group will return to Birmingham Sunday afternoon.

**SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS**  
SUNDAY, MAY 3

**Unitarian Fellowship**  
At 11 a.m. service in the YMCA building, Willard C. Newcomb will read "The Church and the Home" a sermon written by the Rev. Powell Davies of Washington, D. C.

**Congregational**  
The Rev. Robert M. Freese will speak on "First Things First" at the 11 a.m. service in Adams school. Following the plans of the church body, new members will be received into the church at this time.



**ARRANGING DETAILS** for the first major event in the life of the Congregational church of Birmingham are Mrs. Robert C. Servis, Mrs. W. T. Arlund and Mrs. William E. Rigley, who have charge of a church supper and meeting planned for May 12. The affair will be one more step in the formation of Birmingham's newest church, when Congregational officials outline in more detail the aims and hopes of the group. The dinner will be held in the First Presbyterian church dining room and final plans will be announced May 5 when the Women's Fellowship meets with Mrs. Jack Marshall, 2914 Galford, in Royal Oak, under the leadership of Mrs. Arlund, president.

**Kirk Closes Art Entries On Aug. 10**

Aug. 10 is the closing date for entries for the Kirk in the Hills second annual Outdoor Art Festival. The event will be held on the church grounds for three days, beginning Aug. 29.

Entry blanks and complete information may be received from the Kirk office, 1477 Disbrowfield Hills.

Competition is open to all artists, amateur and professional, working in any field. Entries need not be of an ecclesiastical nature but may be on any subject considered to be unobjectionable to the public welfare.

The classifications for judging include oils, water colors, graphic arts and sculpture, the latter limited to 150 pounds in weight. Each artist may submit two entries. The exhibit will be a jury show.

**Congregational Church Groups Planning Future**

The establishment of Women's and Men's Fellowships, naming temporary officers and planning early organizational steps for the newly formed Congregational Church of Birmingham have taken place during the past week.

At a meeting April 22, the Men's Fellowship named Philip C. Bartlett, 1501 Landiside as chairman, with George Hall, secretary-treasurer.

Chairmen named to head three directorial committees are Robert Servis, program; James Moore, Fellowship and Owen E. Hall, service. The group will meet in May to outline the policy and aims under which they will operate.

The membership committee met the same evening at the home of Mrs. J. S. Eckenrode as chairman, William Bolivar, Dr. E. C. Wilcox of the Detroit Association introduced the Rev. Arthur Christopher, pastor of Mayflower church who outlined plans for a ministerial conference.

**Lutheran Mission Group Plans Rummage Sale**

The Ladies Missionary society of Redeemer Lutheran church will hold their spring rummage sale in the church's basement at 3400 West Maple, Thursday and Friday, May 7 and 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The committee in charge includes Mrs. E. H. Lewis, Mrs. Lee Mohr, Mrs. Karl Otto, Mrs. Adolph Kowalski, Mrs. John Skarrin, Mrs. Herman Fabig and Mrs. Ernest Sheehan.

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**Mid-Week Service Plan Continues This Summer**

The regular midweek meetings at the First Baptist church are being continued through the spring and summer as usual, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

On May 6, the subject will be "Making the Most of Summer". On this occasion the pastor will indicate how summer opportunities can be utilized for Christian life enrichment for individuals, families and churches.

On May 13, the topic will be "Ourselves, Great Playgrounds". With the use of color pictures, there will be described ways in which Christians can use the outdoors for physical health and spiritual inspiration. The church's paper will be served at 7 p.m. Special guests will be the church members received into the church since May 1, 1952.

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**New Church Year Opens For Baptist Congregation**

May 1 marks the beginning of a new year at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham.

On Sunday, May 3, the pastor, the Rev. Emil Kuntz, will formally induct all church officers at the 11 a.m. services.

The monthly ordination of Communion will be observed and new members received. Appropriate anthems will be rendered by the sanctuary choir under the direction of David R. Meloy, with Mrs. Meloy at the organ.

The pastor's sermon subject will be "Together With One Accord" and will be based upon the text, Acts 1:1. "And they were all with one accord, in one place."

The reference is to the profound spirit of unity among the early disciples, which was worked there for the gift of the divine power.

**First Methodist WSCS Planning Installation**

The executive board of the First Methodist Women's Society for Christian Service will meet Wednesday, May 6.

The Ladies' Bazaar group will be in charge of the noon table.

The program will consist of a devotional period led by Mrs. Earl Houghmuth and a motion picture, "Challenger of Africa."

Officers of the organization will be installed by the Rev. Dr. Arnold F. Bissel, and the business meeting conducted by Mrs. Hugh Hemphill. Annual reports will be given at this time.

**Choir Expansion Creates Need for Several Singers**

Rolney M. Peterson, minister of music for the First Methodist church, is asking members of the congregation to volunteer for service with a second adult choir which the church is seeking.

With duplicate services planned for each Sunday morning, the need for a second choir has been noted. Currently, the existing choir is dividing its membership to accommodate both services, but additional singers are needed for both.

Peterson said interested persons were invited to attend any Wednesday rehearsal at 8 p.m. in the church.

**Holy Name Altar Society To Attend Morning Mass Prior to May Breakfast**

Members of the Holy Name Altar society will attend a 9 a.m. mass Tuesday, May 5, prior to their annual May breakfast an hour later at Devon Gates, Mrs. Carl Sanderberg in chairman of arrangements.

Mrs. Harry Lombard of Detroit, prominent church and civic circles, will be the guest speaker.

Mrs. Lombard is a past president of the National Council of Catholic Women and the Detroit Board of Catholic Women's Association. She is serving secretary of the Catholic Workshop on the Board of Directors for the Traveler's Aid Bureau, in trust for the Negroes' League and with the United Foundations speakers' Bureau.

**First Communion May 3**

First Communion services are planned for 110 boys and girls of the Holy Name parish on Sunday, May 3. This will take place at the 8:30 mass.

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