

Baptist Units Plan Meetings; April 22 Date Mapped for One

April 15 meetings are scheduled by three women's groups of the First Baptist church. All will convene at 10:30 a.m. for white cross work. A luncheon and afternoon meeting will follow.

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Barle O. Manning at 8 a.m., 668 Batsan. Faith Circle with Mrs. Howard Reid, 444 Frank and the Naomi Circle with Mrs. Percy Burnett, 627 Tampa.

Members of the Miriam Circle have postponed their session until April 22, when they will meet with Mrs. Robert Griffin, 3171 Northwestern highway.

Special Holy Week Rites for Lutherans

On Wednesday evening the Rev. Theodore Waggoner will open special Holy Week services at Redemer Lutheran church. His series of three talks on "The Mystery of Christian Living" will be given at 8 p.m., concluding at the Good Friday service.

The Maundy Thursday service will have the Rev. John Ang, chaplain at Detroit's Receiving hospital, as guest speaker.

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Palm Sunday Music Plans At St. James

Continuing an annual tradition of presenting a major choral work in observance of Holy Week, the choir of St. James Episcopal church will present the "Stabat Mater" by Rossini at 8 p.m., April 13. The work will be presented under the direction of Kent McDonald, organist and choirmaster.

Soloists will be Nioma Sherman, soprano; Marie Wilson, contralto; Neil Soper and Fred Kendall, tenors, and George Mullin, baritone.

"Rossini is most widely acclaimed for his passages opera, all of which were written in the first thirty-five years of his life," McDonald said.

HE ADDED that the "Stabat Mater" was written over a 10 year period, beginning in 1831, five years after Rossini completed his last opera, the famous "William Tell."

"When 'Stabat Mater' was given its first performance in Paris it was well received and has enjoyed world-wide popularity since," McDonald concluded. "Like most large compositions of the time, it was written on a commission but is nevertheless a profound and inspired work. It is noteworthy for its soaring and floral melodic lines in the solo passages and dramatic effects for the chorus."

THIS WILL be the third major work presented by the choir in recent months. The first was the annual presentation of the Advent and Christmas passages of Handel's "Messiah," followed in January by a public concert at the Birmingham Community House to raise funds for a new organ.

Palm Sunday Rites For New Members

The reception of new members will highlight Palm Sunday services at the Congregational Church of Birmingham's 11 a.m. worship.

This program will usher in an entire week of special worship as the congregation observes Holy Week.

A special feature for Wednesday morning, April 14, will be a breakfast and worship service for men of the church at 8:45 a.m. Philip Bartlett, Laymen's Fellowship president, said the service would conclude at 7:15 a.m.

Maundy Thursday will see the final watch morning service for the senior high school group, when they meet at 7:30 a.m.

feature the reception of new members, the Rev. Robert D. Dewey will speak on "Morning Light and Evening Shadows," with his text from Matthew. "And leaving them, He went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there."

Congregational
At the 11 a.m. service which will



DISCUSSION groups such as this have been seeking to answer a mutual question, "Where shall I begin to find Him?" as young couples of Christ Church Cranbrook met during the Lenten season for Bible study. Here Mrs. C. C. Patterson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Troost and Mrs. J. H. Loud take one of the mutual problems. There have been 47 such groups of from 6 to 15 members. Many have become so interested in the friendly study of group and personal problems that plans are afoot to continue the meetings beyond the Lenten season. (Eccentric Photo)

Detroit Church Announces 1954 Easter Feature

Metropolitan Methodist church of Detroit has once again extended its Easter season invitation throughout the area for the public to be its guest at the showing of Cecil B. DeMille's immortal masterpiece, "The King of Kings."

The picture opened April 5 showing nightly at 7:30 p.m., through April 10. The same hour will be noted for additional evening showings April 12 and 14.

On Good Friday afternoon, the film may be seen from noon to 3 p.m., as the featured Tre Ore program.

Keith Feather, chairman of the committee which brings the film to Detroit, said that in the past 14 years it has been shown in 197 of the nation's largest cities. Thousands see it in every city.

NATIONAL sponsors are 125 leading ministers and laymen in 38 states, who have watched the demand for the film grow from year to year.

Feather said that since the film was released in 1927, more than a billion people have seen it, calling it a religious experience they will never forget.

Christ Church 1954 Vestry Appointed

Recently named to the vestry committee at Christ Church Cranbrook are William Graham, building and grounds; Max H. Fruhauf, Howard B. Stegall, Carl O. Barton and Graham, organ; Edward Lerchen, traffic; Paul Wilson and Milton Manley, office management; Henry Booth and John Blanchard, memorial gifts.

William Lerchen, men's luncheon; John W. Paige, insurance; William Baldwin, promotion; Milton A. Manley, Men's club; Arthur A. Bull, civil defense; Ar. McGee, Howard B. Stegall, T. L. Blakerman, Robert Sadler, Mrs. Robert Ball and Mrs. Fred Sanders, missions.

Unitarian Alliance Has Annual Election

Mrs. Arthur Perkins was named president of the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Fellowship Wednesday evening. She will serve with Mrs. J. K. Bagby, vice president; Mrs. Augustus G. Hulbert, treasurer, and Mrs. Charles B. Howell.

The nominating committee was made up of Mrs. Eugene Hess, Mrs. Brooks Marshall and Mrs. J. Ogden Vot.

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Peter B. Loomis.



TWO SHOWINGS of the widely acclaimed "Song of Bernadette" will be shown under the sponsorship of Holy Name Altar society in the school auditorium at 3 and 8 p.m., April 11. Among the committee who worked on plans for the affair were Miss Tresa Plunkett, Mrs. L. S. Heintz, Mrs. H. M. Foley and Mrs. A. F. Boening. Both performances will be open to the public. (Eccentric Photo)

SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

Kirk-in-the-Hills
Palm Sunday will be marked with the distribution of palms at both the 9 and 11 a.m. services, and the use of these symbols of the Easter season as church decorations. The Rev. Harold C. DeWint, D.D., has selected to speak on "The World Is Gone After Him" for both services. This is another in the series on Christ's life, immediately prior to the Crucifixion.

Christian Science
How sickness and disability may be overcome by bringing thinking into accord with the truth of God and man through prayer will be discussed under the sermon topic, "Are Sin, Disease and Death Real?" The Bible text is Jeremiah 17:14, "Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise."

United Brethren
"A Lesson from a Dying Man" will be the Palm Sunday subject of the Rev. Lee J. Griffy, who takes his text from Luke 23:42, "And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom."

Continuing his series in the study of "Acts", Mr. Griffy will speak on "The Case in Court."

Townside Community
There will be two services, with

and cried Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord." (John 12: 12-13).

At the 7:45 p.m. service, the Rev. Robert Gibson, minister to youth, will have as his subject, "The Great High Priest," taking his text from the 11th and 12th verses of Hebrews 9.

First Baptist
"King for A Day!" will be the Palm Sunday topic of the Rev. Emil Kuntz at the 11 a.m. service. At the fireside vesper, 7:30 p.m., a color film, "Behold His Glory!" will be shown.

On April 15, the mid-week service will continue "Portraits of the Apostles," with the "Upper Room - Passover and Last Supper."

First Methodist
For his Palm Sunday service, the Rev. Arnold F. Runkel has chosen to speak on "King Jesus," as he continues the series, "No Man Like This Man."

At 8 p.m. the chanted choir will give the sacred cantata, "Gethsemane to Golgotha," by H. Alexander Matthews. Soloists will be Alice Puleston, Carl Christensen and George Mullin. This is a new musical work, being presented for the first time in this area.

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