



Worship and Social Plans in Your Church



SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

SUNDAY, JAN. 9

First Baptist
At the 11 a.m. service, the Rev. Emil Kuntz will speak on "No God—No Hope," taking his text from Ephesians 2:12. "Having no hope and without God in the world."
At the evening service, at 7:30 p.m., the Rev. Dr. Theron Chastain will speak.

Unitarian
With services held in Upton school, 4400 Mandalay, Roy A. Oak, Harris, Ph.D., "Lincoln" has chosen for his sermon topic, "That Which is Called God." Church school sessions are now being held at this location, also.

Unity Center
Meeting in the Center's reading room, Birmingham Theater building, the group will hear Frank Glabach speak on "How about A Lift?"

First Presbyterian
"Help Cometh from God" has been chosen by the Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph.D., for his Sunday morning sermon at both services. His text is taken from Psalms 124: "Our help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."

First Methodist
The Rev. Allen Wittrup, newest member of the clerical staff here, will preach for the first time in the local church at both the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services. His topic will be "You Are Not Helpless," with the text from Jeremiah 14-16.

Congregational
The Rev. Robert D. Dewey has chosen to speak on "The Struggle is Spiritual," text being Ephesians 6:12. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against..."

powers, against the rules of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

The celebration of communion and welcoming new members will highlight the service. A coffee hour will be held immediately after worship.

Christian Science
How purification of thought brings freedom from fear, sickness and sin will be brought out in the sermon entitled "Surrender." The text John 4:33, reads: "The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth."

Children to Present Program of Epiphany
In connection with the regular 9:30 a.m. prayer service, the junior members of the First Baptist Episcopal church will present a special program for Epiphany.

The program will be based on the spread of Christianity throughout the world from the time of the wise men, through the apostles and on into the missionary era as we know it today.

Embury WSCS Unit Planning Program
The Women's society of Christian Service of Embury Methodist church will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, Jan. 11, at the church, at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Howard Palmer, in charge of the program, will show a film strip on "Pakistan." Mrs. Ruth Norton and Mrs. Harry Bigelow will be hostesses.

New Pastor, Family Arriving This Week
The Rev. Allen Wittrup, third member of the ministerial staff of First Methodist church, is expected to arrive with Mrs. Wittrup and their three children this week. They will reside in the newly purchased parsonage, 755 Madison.

Church of Christ
1152 Bannockville Birmingham, Michigan
L. C. Utley, Minister

10:00 A.M. Sunday Bible Class
11:00 A.M. Sunday Worship
6:00 P.M. Sunday Evening Service
7:30 P.M. Wednesday Evening Bible Study

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'Twas the day before Christmas

A deep snow had blanketed the streets of Ironwood. Indoors, families were making plans for the festive season. The telephone company, too, was making its preparations for the busiest night of the year.

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MYF Group Opens New Year Program

Getting their 1955 activities off to a good start, the First Methodist Youth Fellowship members will have a dinner and program at the church on Jan. 10, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

A committee of Dennis Conlan, Marilyn Holmquist and Sandy Walker has planned a recreational program of the church in the 7th through 12th grades are invited.

Localites Attend Detroit Convention

Birmingham had 75 representatives among the 1,300 persons who attended the semi-annual convention of Jehovah's Witnesses last week in East Detroit.

The convention dealt with reports and history of the group's growth during the past 10 years. Floyd E. Adams, local head of the group, said two Birmingham people would be selected to attend the convention in Europe next July.

Mid-Week Lectures To Start Wednesday

A three-week series of mid-week services on "How to Win Friends for Christ and the Church" will start Jan. 12 at the First Baptist church.

Each meeting will consist of the showing of color slides on how this is being done. Sessions will be open with a church supper at 7 p.m., a brief devotional service and the illustrated lecture.

Fidelity to Elect

Officers will be elected at the Jan. 11 meeting of the Fidelity of Our Lady society, St. Columban Catholic parish. The group will meet at the Birmingham Community House, beginning at 8 p.m., with a social hour following the meeting.

Early cops for church activities makes it better for us and better for you. Don't wait until the deadline, please.

Unitarians Planning Own Church Building

Another Birmingham church group has outgrown its housing facilities and is facing the task of acquiring a site and erecting a new building.

The Birmingham Unitarian Fellowship has begun holding its meetings at the Upton school, 4400 Mandalay, Royal Oak, having outgrown three temporary homes in the community.

Activities of the group started in 1948, when several interested persons met to discuss formation plans in July. In September the Rev. Grant A. Butler came from Boston to fully explain the work of the Unitarians and give organizational advice.

Throughout the winter, Mr. and Mrs. William Hambley, Mrs. and Mrs. Eugene Hez, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Parrie and Mr. and Mrs. Albert MacCherry opened their homes for further meetings.

WITH THE BY-LAWS formed and adopted, the first formal meeting was held in March, 1949, at the Community House, which housed the group for some time. Albert MacCherry was named president at an April session.

Continued interest and gradual expansion saw the formation of the church school in October, 1950, with Mrs. Parrie in charge.

The Rev. Maxwell D. Post came the first pastor to serve the group, succeeded by the Rev. Russell L. Lincoln, now in charge. Since its formation the group has used the Community House and Birmingham Y.M.C.A. for church services with the church school meeting in the Apple Orchard nursery. The move to Upton school, to be continued indefinitely, was made as other sources became overworked.

CURRENT EXPANSION plans are being handled by a committee headed by Mrs. David E. Studing. The group meets frequently to discuss the problem of picking a site for a church and to consider architectural styles.

"We, like everyone else, face the problem of finances," a church representative said. "We would like to see a church with a large membership."

Baptists to Hear Guest Minister

A special speaker is scheduled for the 7:30 p.m. service at the First Baptist church when the Rev. Dr. Theron Chastain, executive secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission society in New York City is the guest.

The national director of the "New Frontiers" project for the establishment of 500 new Baptist churches across the country, Dr. Chastain will speak on this work and how it is being accomplished.

He is a former pastor of the large First Baptist church in Phoenix, Ariz. he has held his present post for the past two years.

Dr. Chastain has traveled widely throughout the United States, Alaska, Haiti and Latin America. His Sunday lecture will be open to the public.

St. James Episcopal Plans Annual Meet

Notices are being sent to parishioners of St. James Episcopal church for the annual meeting, Jan. 10.

Dinner will be served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., with reservations being taken by the church office.

The business meeting will consist of the reading of five sermons, annual reports of the parish at large, and the arrangement of an additional financial offering on the land and buildings of St. James church.

Methodist Library Hours Are Listed

First Methodist church opened its library Jan. 2 after the 9:30 a.m. service.

The first books were purchased with funds donated anonymously. Books have been selected by a good literature committee, assisted by the Rev. Arnold F. Runkel, D.D., and Mrs. Beth Duffy, youth director.

The library schedule calls for a period each Sunday after both morning services and the first Wednesday of the month from 12:15 to 2:15 and during noon hours.

Mrs. E. S. Burns heads a committee of Mrs. Nowell Allen, Mrs. W. W. Daley, Mrs. Ralph Bossett and Mrs. Bryan Rich to direct library activities.

Nellie Clizbe Guild Will Inspect Church

Mrs. F. J. Zidenka will lead the devotions when the Nellie Clizbe guild, First Presbyterian church, meets Jan. 10 in the social hall.

The 12:30 luncheon will be under the direction of Mrs. L. W. Morley, Miss W. Glen Harris and Mrs. J. McDuffee.

Following the meeting, the Rev. Robert Gibson will conduct the group on a temple tour of the church building.

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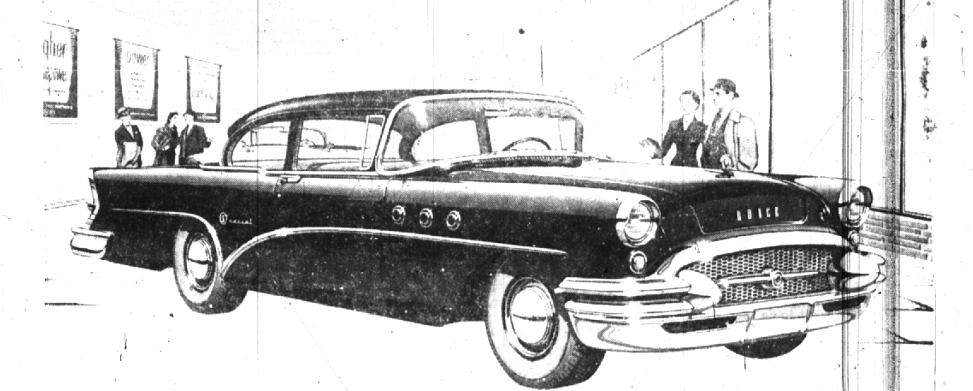
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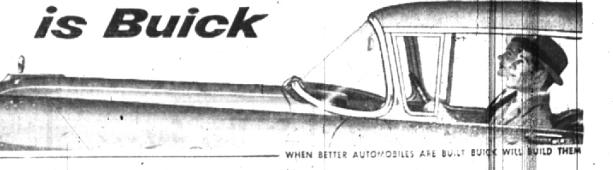
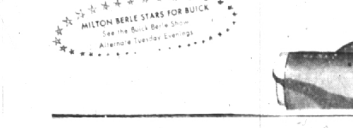
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