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Rehearsal for 'The Messiah'

Kent McDonald (seated), organist and choirmaster at St. James Episcopal church, Mary Jane Walker, soloist, and J. B. Clark, director, rehearse for Christ Church Cranbrook's presentation of the Advent and Christmas portions of "The Messiah" to be held at 4 p.m. Sunday at Christ Church.

St. James Choir To Give Program Sunday Evening

On Sunday evening, at 8:00 p.m., the senior choir of St. James Episcopal church, under the direction of Kent McDonald, organist and choirmaster, will present a Festival choral evensong.

Two musical works will be given pertaining to the Advent and Christmas seasons. They are the cantata "For Us A Child is Born," by Bach, and the "Fantasia on Christmas Carols," by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Soloists will be Mary Riley, contralto; Neil Soper, tenor and George Mullin, baritone.

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ALSO ON the program will be the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in E Minor by Leo Sowerby. This particular music was performed by the St. James choir at the Guild festival service, presented during the National convention of the American guild of organists last June.

The performance received fine critical notice from national organist publications.

This will be the ninth annual presentation of music during the Advent season by the St. James choir in special music services.

DACCW Sets Goal For Sticker Drive

"Observe Christmas as Christ's Birthday" is the timely reminder of the Detroit Archdiocesan Council of Catholic women. Their goal is to have a quarter of a million automobiles act as mobile messengers bearing these green and white stickers.

The 15 deaneries of the Detroit archdiocese plan to distribute over 300 stickers in each of the 322 parishes in its eight counties. Mrs. Thomas Platt, 329 Sonia road, Madison Heights, is spiritual development chairman for South Oakland deanery, and in charge of sticker purchases.

Christmas donations for the "Feed a Family" program can be made to the DACCW. Last year $7389 was sent abroad for this purpose.

"Observe Christmas as Christ's Birthday" donations to "Feed a Family" are being accepted at the DACCW office, 305 Michigan avenue, Detroit 26. For further information call South Oakland deanery relief chairman, Mrs. Constantine Nowcwinski, 24160 Sherman, Oak Park.

News Commentator Will Address Club At St. James

The Couples club of St. James Episcopal church will have as their speaker today, Dr. John Dempsey, news and community projects director of WIBK-TV. Dr. Dempsey is well known for his analysis of the news each evening at 6:25 and his Press conference show on Sunday afternoons.

Dr. Dempsey was formerly a professor of political science at the University of Detroit and is currently associated with the University of Michigan. He is a member of the Radio and TV news directors and the American political science associations.

He will speak on the present electoral college and the current movement in some areas of the country regarding the recent election of Senator Kennedy.

Group to Celebrate Notre Dame Sun.

A breakfast at the Oakland Hills Country club in Birmingham will follow a 9:15 Mass at the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak Sunday when the Notre Dame club of Detroit celebrates Universal Notre Dame Sunday.

Father Charles E. Coughlin, pastor of the Shrine parish, will preach the sermon and Father William J. Neidhart, C.S.C., assistant superior of Moreau seminary at the University of Notre Dame, will discuss the forthcoming Ecumenical council at the breakfast. Reservation for the breakfast may be made by contacting co-chairman James Sullivan of Royal Oak.

F. S. STRONG

Former Vestryman Is Assistant for Episcopal Convention

Brig. Gen. Frederick S. Strong, Jr. (USA Retd) of Orchard Lake, former vestryman of Christ Church Cranbrook from 1927 to 1941, has been named a lay assistant to the Rev. Canon Irwin C. Johnson, D.D., chairman of the committee on arrangements, for the planning of the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church.

General Strong has served two terms on the executive council of the diocese of Michigan.

The convention will be held in Detroit's Cobo Hall Sept. 17-29, 1961. The Rev. John E. Lee, rector of St. Mark's church in Detroit has been designated clerical assistant to the chairman.

Catholic Churches Observe Holy Day

Roman Catholic churches in the Birmingham - Bloomfield area are observing the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin today. The holy day is one of six in the Catholic liturgical calendar.

Parochial school students will not attend school. The St. Regis mothers' club, under the direction of Mrs. Lee Keating, is sponsoring a theater party from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Birmingham theater.

Masses are celebrated in the morning in all churches. Holy Name will have evening masses at 5:30 and 7. Our Lady Queen of Martyrs evening mass will be at 6:30; St. Bede's at 7:30 and St. Columban at 7.

Episcopal Women To Hold Reception For Newcomers

Newcomers to the Episcopal Churchwomen and to the parish of Christ Church Cranbrook will be welcome to a coffee on Dec. 13 at 10:30 a.m. Planning the coffee are Mrs. F. S. Strong III, fellowship chairman, Mrs. James B. Bragaw, membership chairman, and Mrs. Charles D. Marsh, special events chairman.

The informal gathering is being held to enable newcomers to become better acquainted with each other as well as the members of the board and the church women's group.

Holy Communion will be served at 11:30 a.m.

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"FAVORITE Christmas Thoughts from Literature" will be presented by Mrs. John Warner following luncheon. The first in her series of excerpts is from the Shepherd's Play in the Wakefield Cycle of the early mystery plays dating back to 1560.

Included will be thoughts from Shakespeare, Dickens, Washington Irving, Kat Douglass Wiggin, and E. B. White. Mrs. Waldemar Adams will read.

Mrs. Warner taught dramatics at Stephens college, did graduate work at Wayne university and has worked with the Wayne university theater. Mrs. Warner and her husband are presently active in St. Dunstans Guild.

Episcopal Church Marks Anniversary With Services

On Dec. 4, the Episcopal Church of the Advent at Middlebelt and Long Lake road, celebrated it's fifth anniversary with services at the regular hours and a special service of evensong in the afternoon. The traditional sung service, featuring the choir under the direction of Mrs. Roger Marquis, was accompanied by organist Edmund Price.

Also in celebration of the anniversary, there will be a pot-luck dinner on Friday at 7 p.m. for all adults, featuring a speaker as well as some reminiscing.

Information can be obtained from Mrs. C. S. Hutchins or Miss Jean Arnoldi.

As this anniversary is celebrated, the church is preparing to become a full-fledged parish after only five years as a mission.

Choir Bells Ring Out

Five choirs of the First Methodist church prepare for their annual Festival of Carols. Representing the choirs from left are Roberta Arborgast, Women's Bell choir; Victor Peck, 11 o'clock Chancel choir; Ann Wagley, Junior chair; Alysanne Burkhardt, 9:15 Chancel choir, and James Yohey, Boy choir. The candlelight service beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday will include carols from many times and lands. The Women's Handbell Choir will 'ring out' familiar Christmas songs.

Pine Hill Church Elects New Officers

The officiary of Pine Hill Congregational church was elected Nov. 27 with the Rev. Alfred D. Grey, D.D., retained as Minister. The following were elected to various offices and boards:

Deacons and Deaconesses are Dr. Lester Olmstead, senior Deacon, Emille B. Ludwig, Shirley Hubert, Marie Georgeff, Mary Lou Whitfield, Natalie Cook, Phyllis Roberts, Edward F. Ladwig, David Marsh, Alexander Georgeff, J. L. Richards, R. W. Wunsche, Richard Hulbert Jr., junior deacon.

Benevolence board members are Florence Olmstead, director, Lillian Hatton, Lucille Richards, Donelda Sass, Icel Kilgore, Lois Lovell, Gale Murray, junior member.

Moderator is Frederick Cork and clerk is Dolores Cork

Board of trustees consists of Emerson C. Whitfield, treasurer and chairman, Alvin Sass, Richard Hulbert, Sr., Clifford Kirkwood, George Pentiuk, Jack Marshall, John Cork, junior trustee.

Members of the board of Christian education are Rebecca Batty, director, Donald Batty, Ruth Kirkwood, Linda Wunsche, Lois Pentiuk, Janet Marsh, Lauretta Murray, Jane Kusser, June Kellstrom, Suzanne Reaveley, junior member.

The theme for Dr. Alfred D. Grey's sermon for Sunday will be "The Heavenly Host".

Pine Hill Congregational services are held at the Pine Lake elementary school on W. Long Lake road, one mile west of Middlebelt road, at 11:00 a.m. The Sunday school classes meet at the same hour.

Dec. 11 is designated as "Loyalty Sunday", and the congregation is invited to bring their pledge cards for the maintenance of the church. A statement of the church finances will be given by Alvin Sass, chairman of the finance committee.

On Dec. 18 there will be a service for the children at 4:00 p.m. and a Christmas program will be given by the Sunday school classes.

On Jan. 1, the congregation of the newly formed Pine Hill Congregational church will celebrate their second Holy Communion service, and a reception of members including the founding members will be held.

MRS. NELSON

First Presbyterian Women to Present Drama of Nativity

First Presbyterian church will present at their Annual Christmas tea, Dec. 13 at 1:30 p.m., a modern drama of the nativity, "A Child Is Born, by Stephen Vincent Benet.

Mrs. Roy Nelson, who plays the part of the innkeeper's wife, has had several leading roles in the St. Dunstan's plays. Mrs. Robert Camp plays the part of the innkeeper. Mrs. Camp, former teacher of junior high school dramatics, is active in the church as a superCamp excelled Hldges

intendant of junior highs. While attending Hope college, Mrs. Camp excelled in doing some of Stephen Vincent Benet's work. Her work was outstanding in the Michigan intercollegiate interpretive reading contest. Her reading was an excerpt from John Brown's Body by Benet.

Other women cast in the play are Mrs. James Stalker, Mrs. Virginia Merrill, Mrs. Stan Flol, Mrs. William Milligan, Mrs. William Leckie, Mrs. E. F. Schafer, Mrs. Douglas Witters, Mrs. Frank Scott, Mrs. George Talburtt, Mrs. Walter Starr, Mrs. Herbert Tarcacks and Mrs. James Seeley.

Mrs. Gordon Ellsworth is doing original work for the music accompaniment, assisted by Mrs. Slusser, the Church Music director.

Mrs. Scott Purvis is directing the play with the following assistant directors; Costuming: Mrs. Harry Cook and Mrs. Robert Ellerby; Stage and Art, Mrs. Charles Follis; Properties and Art, Mrs. Malcolm Cameron and Make-up, Mrs. Dave Canham with Mrs. T. Appel and Mrs. Paul Grant assisting.

The Susan and Elizabeth Guilds of the church will serve tea.

A repeat performance of the play will be offered by the drama group Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. for church families and friends.

Presbyterian Women Plan Yule Meeting

The Women's association of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy will hold its annual Christmas meeting on Tuesday. A baby sitter will be in attendance.

The meeting will be held at 11 a.m. with a dish-to-pass luncheon at noon.

Each of the ladies are to bring a wrapped Christmas gift, which will be auctioned off after the luncheon social hour. The proceeds from the auction will go to the Lapeer home for mentally retarded children.

Color slides of association activities will be shown.

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Mrs. Arthur Hawkes, (left), 5545 Crabtree, Bloomfield township, president of the women's alliance of the Birmingham Unitarian church, and member Mrs. Harry Brown of Royal Oak, engage in some artistic candle making in preparation for the group's annual "Holly Trail" on Wednesday.

Unitarian Women Plan Annual 'Holly Trail'

Birmingham Unitarians and their friends will follow the "Holly Trail," a tour of homes already decorated for Christmas, on Wednesday afternoon from 1:30 to 4:30.

Sponsor of the annual tour is the Women's alliance of the church.

The homes to be visited are those of Mrs. Bernard Magruder of Franklin court, Franklin, Mrs. John Rumsey, 5950 Wing Lake road and Mrs. Merrill Bates, 930 E. Long Lake road, Bloomfield Hills. Tea and Christmas cookies will be served at the home of Mrs. Bates.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS and gifts, made by alliance members at a series of workshops, will be displayed. Mrs. E. E. Logue, 2220 Buckingham, is gift chairman.

Chairman of the tour is Mrs. C. A. Belanger, 366 Bird street. Hostesses are Mrs. Minoru Yamasaki; 3077 Livernois, Miss Mildred Williams, 565 Baldwin court, Mrs. Norman Weston, 944 Kennesaw and Mrs. Frederick Robinson, 287 Pilgrim.

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REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE chairmen are Mrs. Francis Lewis, 4550 W. Maple road and Mrs. Larry McManus, 4003 Charing Cross.

Congregationalists Plan 'Hanging of the Greens'

The church school department of the Congregational church of Birmingham will present a Christmas vesper service Sunday evening at 6.

This service, built around the traditional Hanging of the Greens, was written by the Rev. Kenneth E. Bishop and first used in the church of which he is minister, St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church, Woodstock, Va.

Plans for the vesper service are under the direction of a committee composed of Mrs. Dalton Lamb, church school superintendent, Mrs. Thomas Teague, assistant superintendent, Mrs. Jack Bush and Mrs. Fred Edwards, church decorations, and the Rev. Mead M. Bailey, minister of education.

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THE PARTICIPANTS will be costumed by Mrs. Roswell Burroughs who is also serving as a member of the planning committee.

The service will feature the hanging of the various Christmas greens, with appropriate commentary as to their symbolism and place in the Christian church. As members of the junior high and junior departments present and hang the greens, readers of the senior high department will interpret their meaning.

The climax of the service will be the placement of the Christmas Creche on the communion table. Children from the kindergarten and primary departments will present the Creche figures as the readers tell the Christmas story, as recorded in Luke's and Matthew's gospels.

DURING THE PRESENTATION of the Creche figures, the younger children will sing the traditional carols — "The Friendly Beasts", "Away in A Manger" and "We Three Kings". The service will conclude in candlelight as acolytes, using large candles, light the many candles placed throughout the sanctuary.

The vesper service will feature special music by the Pilgrim choir, under the direction of Mr. Keith Dearborn, minister of music. A choral introit, the anthem "Sing Noel," by Cloker; the descant to the carol "Silent Night, Holy Night" and the offertory anthem "The Gifts A Child Can Bring", will add to the meaning and beauty of the service.

The choir will be accompanied by the church organist, Mrs. Marie LaLachuer, who will also present a number of organ selections.

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THE VESPER SERVICE will be followed by a "Christmas Punch", served by members of the senior high department, under the direction of Mrs. Mead M. Bailey, teacher.

St. James Church To Hold Confirmation

The Rt. Rev. Archie Crowley, Suffragan Bishop of Michigan, will visit St. James Episcopal church Sunday at the 11 a.m. service to administer the Rite of Confirmation and to preach.

A class of 65 will be presented for confirmation.

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