

Church News

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 George L. Smith, Pastor
 Sunday—
 9:30 a. m. Teachers' prayer meeting.
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Annual Christmas sermon by the pastor. Subject: "Jesus Hominum Salvator."
 6:30 p. m. Youth fellowship groups.
 7:30 p. m. Evening service. Annual presentation by the choir. Theme: "What Does Christmas Mean to You?"
 Monday and Tuesday nights—
 7:00 p. m. Christmas caroling, sponsored by the young adult class. Transportation by bus.
 Wednesday—
 7:00 p. m. Junior choir.
 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting and Bible study.
 9:00 p. m. Choir practice.
 Thursday—(Christmas Eve)—
 7:45 p. m. Annual Christmas program by the Sunday school. Theme: "To All People."
 New Year's Eve—Old-fashioned watch-night service. Praying the Old Year out and the New Year in.

REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
 Library Auditorium
 Elwin L. Coolman, Pastor
 10:00 a. m. Church school.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship

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Bible Comment

Christianity Built By Men United In Brotherly Love

UPON the foundation of Jesus Christ the early Christian church was built by two things—conversion and fellowship.

The first great in-gathering was on the Day of Pentecost, 50 days after the Passover, when Peter preached with such power and boldness that about three thousand were then converted and baptized.

This company of believers was soon increased.

But someone has said that no one goes to heaven alone, and the first immediate manifestation of this new life in conversion was an intense clinging of Christians to one another in a fellowship so deep and strong that at first they held all things in common.

The early Christian community did not last long, just as most schemes of Christian communism have failed since.

If the Christians had all been as noble as Barnabas, it might have been successful, but a liar and self-seeker like Ananias can make havoc of a noble experiment.

In any case, Christianity places a strong value upon the individual soul and upon the rightful independence of each life.

Paul understood this well. When he urged that Christians should bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ, he also said that every man should bear his own burden.

That was good, sound democracy, the strength of democracy, of a church, of a Christian fellowship, is built upon the integrity and strength of the individual units.

But the strength of the early Christian church was in the way the individual Christians loved one another. It became a byword, marking them from the world in which they lived: "See how these Christians love one another."

One speaks thus of the early Christian church. Can one say as much for the Christian church of today?

When one looks at the great number of sincere Christians today, the answer to that question must be "yes." But one cannot help wishing there were more in that company of true Christians.

Sunday, Dec. 20—
 9:30, Sunday school, Christmas story.
 10:30, Services.
 1:30, Practice for program.
 Dec. 24, Christmas Eve program, 6:30 p. m.
 Dec. 25, Christmas services, 10:30.

EVANGELICAL U. B. CHURCH
 Murdock
 C. E. Nichols, Pastor
 Morning Worship 9:30 a. m. Sermon theme, "What's in a Gift?"
 Church School 10:30 a. m. George Kruse, Superintendent. Junior League 7:00 p. m. Youth and adult fellowship 7:00 p. m.
 Evening worship, 7:45 p. m. Sermon theme, "Light at Christmas Time."
 Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30, followed by choir rehearsal at 8:30.
 Christmas program Christmas eve beginning promptly at 6:30. Children from the Church school are presenting a pageant.

CALLAHAN EVANGELICAL U. B. CHURCH
 C. E. Nichols, Pastor
 Church school, 10:00 a. m. Reuben Stock, superintendent. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Sermon theme, "What's in a Gift?"
 Union evening services in Murdock. See the Murdock schedule.
 Church school program Christmas eve, beginning promptly at 8 o'clock.
 Prayer service Wednesday eve at 7:30.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Union, Nebraska
 Jerry G. Dunn, Pastor
 9:45 a. m. Sunday School. A class for every age.
 11:00 Morning worship. Sermon subject, "Here Our Salvation Starts."
 6:30 Young peoples meeting. Studies from the Book of Genesis.
 7:30 p. m. Evening worship. Our choir presents a Christmas program in music and full color pictures.
 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. The Sunday school department presents the "Christmas Gift." Treats for the children.

EVANGELICAL U. B. CHURCH
 Callahan
 C. E. Nichols, Pastor
 Church School 10:00 a. m. Reuben Stock, Superintendent. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.
 Union evening services in Murdock. See Murdock schedule.

THE UNION METHODIST CHURCH
 Harold V. Mitchell, Minister
 Sunday—
 9:30 a. m. Church at worship
 10:30 a. m. Church at Study.
 Wednesday—
 7:30 Choir practice.
 8:15 p. m. Youth fellowship.

THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
 Seventh and Main
 Harold V. Mitchell, Minister
 Sunday—
 9:45 a. m. Church at Study.
 11:00 a. m. Church at Worship.
 5:30 Youth fellowship.

7:30 p. m. Wesleyan Agora Fellowship.
 7:30 p. m. Choir practice.
 8:00 p. m. Gleaners WSCS Circle at home of Mrs. Edgar Newton.

MURRAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Murray, Nebraska
 Val C. Johnson, Pastor
 10:00 a. m. Church School.
 Louis Sack, Supt.
 11:00 a. m.—Worship Service
 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH
 Library Auditorium
 Ted Konvain, Pastor
 "We Preach Christ Crucified, Risen, and Coming Again."
 Sunday School 6:30 p. m.
 We will have Sunday School each Sunday evening at this time until we have a permanent meeting place.
 Evening service 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study 7:30 p. m.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Avenue "A" and 3rd Street
 The Rev. Father Max L. Kors
 Sundays—
 Holy Communion each Sunday at 7:30 a. m.
 Holy Communion and sermon each Sunday at 10:30 a. m. (2nd and 4th Sundays, M. P. at 10:30).
 Church school each Sunday at 9:30 a. m.
 Saints days and Holy days at 10:00 a. m.
 Everyone is welcome to any of our services.
 St. Luke's Auxiliary meets on the first Thursday of every month at 2:30 p. m.
 St. Mary's Guild meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 8:00 p. m.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
 11th and Washington Ave.
 The Church of the Lutheran Hour
 George W. Munding, Pastor
 Phone Bellevue 919
 Sunday worship 9:30 a. m.
 Sunday school 10:45 a. m.

EMANUEL EVANGELICAL U. B.
 Northeast of Murdock
 T. H. Kampman, Minister
 Morning Worship at 9:30.
 Sunday School at 10:30.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

ELMWOOD METHODIST CHURCH
 Dr. Bert L. Story, Pastor
 Sunday evening, Dec. 6, fellowship dessert luncheon at church at 7:30. Rev. James Ray to give an address or subject of Psychiatry following luncheon.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH
 Sixteenth and First Avenue
 October Schedule
 Masses on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:00.
 Masses on week days at 7:30. Masses on Holy days at 5:30 and 8:00.
 Confessions on Saturdays, Holy days and First Fridays at 7:30 to 9:00 in evenings. Confessions also heard on Sunday mornings from 7:30 to 7:50.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC
 Mgr. George Agius, D. D., J. C. D. Pastor
 Rev. Raphael Chonta, Assistant
 Sunday Masses at 8:00 and 10:00 a. m. The 10 o'clock Mass is a High Mass followed by Benediction of the E. Sacrament. Week day Masses at 7:10 and 8:15 for the school children.
 Confessions are heard Saturdays and 1st Thursday from 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. and from 7:30 to 8:00 p. m.
 The members of the Altar Society and St. John's Guild receive corporate Communion every 3rd Sunday of the month, and the Sodality every 1st Sunday.

Special Devotions: To the Sacred Heart of Jesus, after Masses every 1st Friday; to our Lady of Fatima, every first Saturday after the 8:15 Mass.
 Social Meetings: The Altar Society meets every first Wednesday of the month at 2 p. m. at St. John's Hall. St. John's Guild and Discussion Club meets every 4th Monday. The Sodality and the Junior Study Club meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at St. John's Hall at 7:00 p. m. The Holy Name Society meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH
 The Church that maintains the Wesleyan Message
 619 S. 10th St.
 George Francis, Pastor
 Sunday school 10:00 a. m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a. m.

Young people's service 6:45 p. m.
 Evening service 7:30 p. m.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.
 Christmas program Tuesday 7:30 p. m.
 Program practice Saturday 2 p. m. and Sunday 2 p. m.
 Everyone welcome.

UNITED BROTHERN CHURCH
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 Pastor — Rev. Melvin Shafer
 Sunday School Superintendent
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Seventh Street and Second Ave.
 Keith Delap, Pastor
 Sunday Church School at 9:45
 Ralph Wehrlein, Supt.
 Divine Service at 11:00 a. m.
 Jr. Hi fellowship at 4:00.

EVANGELICAL UNITED BROTHERN CHURCH
 Mynard
 M. L. Shafer, Minister
 10 a. m. Sunday School.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship.

U. B. CHURCH
 Elmwood
 T. H. Kampman, Minister
 Sunday School 10 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11 a. m.
 Evening fellowship hour 7:30.

METHODIST CHURCH
 Nebraska
 Pastor — Rev. Fred Gardner
 Sunday School Superintendent
 Mrs. Neil Pierce
 Church Service at 9:45
 Sunday School at 10:35

CHRISTIAN SERVICES
 Christian church services will be held at 9:30 a. m. Sunday morning instead of 7:30 at the home of Mrs. George Topliff with Rev. Siegmund of the Bellevue Christian church in charge.

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