Religious....

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Elm Park Church.

In the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church Christmas will be observed tomorrow. The services, morning and evening, will be of a very impressive character. The musical part of the programme has been arranged by Professor J. A. Pennington and will be given under his direction. It will be participated in by the Elm Park quartette, consisting of Miss Elizabeth Thomas, soprano; Miss Grace Duncan, contralto; Alfred Wooler, tener; Philip Warren, basso. These will be assisted by a selected chorus consisting of Mesdames Powell, Lister, Carr. Neely. Misses Harris, James, Thomas, Medway, Randolph, Phillips, Colvin, Winters, Jones, Thomas, Duncan; Messes. Warren, Wooler, Gippel, Morgan, Tubbs, Hughes, Thomas, Emerich, Winters, Evans, Krieg, Evans, Mr. Pennington will preside at the organ and Mrs. J. A. Pennington at the plane. The programme for the morning service will be as follows:

Organ, prelude in F major......Grison Choir, "Awake, Put on Thy Strength."

Organ, offertory in B flat Mailly Choir, "Dream of Bethlehem". Shelley Duet for soprano and contralto. Shelley Organ, postlude in G Volckmar

In the evening a Christ parise service will be conducted. It will be of an unusually elaborate nature. The choir will be reinforced by a large paid | Duet, "Songs of Praise the Angel chorus, and the programme, besides the numbers rendered by the quartette and organ, piane and violin, will include the rendering of the cantata, clude the rendering of the cantata,

"The Story of Bethlehem," by quartette, full chorus, organ and piano.
This is a new composition from the pen of a noted English composer, J. E.
West. The complete programme is as Solo, "The Heavenly Dream"

Kittle and choir, Solo, "The Eing is Come" Marzo Mr. William Long, Offering and announcements, Solo, "The Heavenly Dream"

Chime of Bells, Ringing and Change of Bells, Christmas Carols, Alfred Wooler Organ solo, Christmas prelude Dethier

Prayer......Rev. C. M. Giffir Bass solo, "Birthday of a King. Neidlinger

Phillip Warren, with Organ and Plane Responsive Scripture lesson, Paster and Congregation Contralto solo, "The Universal King."

Miss Grace Duncan, with Organ,
Piano and Violin,
Offering from all the people,
Organ, Christmus offertory.... Grison
J. Alfred Pennington,
Duo for Violin and Piano, Allegro
Vivace, from Sonata for Violin and
Piano in A major............Mozart
Messrs, Widmayer and Pennington,
Tenor solo, "The Glad New Song,"
Greely

Hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing". Chorus and Congregation Soprano soid, "The Ealer of Light and Glory". Dressler Alfred Wooler, with Piano, Organ

Miss Elizabeth Thomas, with Piano Miss Elizabeth Thomas, with Fixed Organ and Violin.

Address, by the pastor,
"Story of Bethlehem"—

Cantata for soloists, chorus, organ and plane.........J. E. West.

and plane......J. E.

1. Introduction, organ and plane.

Even Unto Bethlehem."
Mr. Warren
7. Hymn, "O Come, All Ye Faithful." Choir and Congregation
S. Solo, soprano, "In Bethlehem's
Ancient City".....Miss Thomas
9. Recitative, bass, "And the Shepherds Made Known the Story,"

Mr. Warren
19. Duet, tenor and bass, and chorus,

"Now O'er the Plains," rs. Wooler and Warren, with Chorus. Chorus.

11. Recitative, bass, "Shepherds of Bethlehem, Rejoice". Mr. Warren
12. Quartette and chorus, "Rejoice, Rejoice, Ye Nations,"
Elm Park Quartette and Select Chorus

Organ, postlude in C.....Buxteheed

Simpson M. E. Church.

The following programme of Christmas music will be rendered to-morrow in the Simpson Methodist Episcepa! church, of which Rev. J. B. Sweet is pastor :

MORNING.

Hymn and prayer.

And choir.

Scripture reading and offering.

Quartette, "A Saviour's Born." Gabriel

Thomas Abraham, W. W. Jones,

H. A. Wrigley, Will Whit-

Anthem, "Arise, Shine, for Thy
Light Is Come" ... Dudley Buck
Mr, Thomas Abram and choir. EVENING.

Anthem. "Rehell, I Bring You Good Tidings"J. Barnby Miss Jessie Polhemus and choir. Tener sole, "Christmas"Shelly

Mr. D. Abranam. Sang" Shelly Helen Thomas and Anna Jones. Anthem, "There Were Shepherds"

R. S. Ambros

Miss Jessie Polhemus Miss Jessie Polhemus Remarks by the paster, Authem, "Arise Shine, Thy Light Is Come"T. E. Maker M. T. Abraham, W. Long

and choir. Chorister, W. W. Jones, Organist, Walter Davies, Violinist, W. Betterly.

Providence M. E. Church. Providence Methodist Episcopal church will be rendered tomorrow, when the

Marzo following programme will be rendered: MORNING. Prelude in AAshford. Doxology. Responsive Reading.

Anthem, "The Angel's Song," Lyon. Prayer. Male quartette, Messrs. Evans, Cousins, Thomas and Evans, Offertory interlude, organ and violin.

Hymn Congregation.
Sermon Rev. William Edgar,
Anthem, "Christ Is Born" Herbert. EVENING.

Anthem, "All the Ends of the Earth." Hymn Congregation. Prayer. "Anthem, "Hosannah in the Highest," Scripture lesson.

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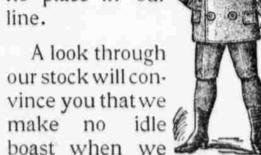
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Solo, "Bending O'er a Cradle Low." Mrs. J. H. Cousins.

Hymn.
Sermon by the pastor.
Solo, "Star of Bethlehem,"
Mr. J. T. Evans. Anthem, "Sing and Rejoice." Postlude in D flat.

The choir will be in charge of Prof. J. H. Cousin's, Miss Belle Green will preside at the organ. Prof. W. Beniamin will be violinist. ...

Hampton Street M. E. Church. The services at the Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church Sunday will be of more than ordinary interest. The choir has been rehearsing Christmas music for the past two weeks. Following is the programme:

MORNING, 10.30 O'CLOCK. Anthem, "Ring the Bells," ... Herbert. Scripture lesson Luke, chapter 2. Hymn No. 183, "Joy to the World."

Hymn No. 190, "God Incarnate, Announcements and Offertory.
Anthem, "Glory Be to God," ... Mason.
Sermon, "The Message of the Angels."

them, "riark! What Celestial Sounds." HerbeHerbert. Benediction. EVENING, 7.30 O'CLOCK. Anthem "Messiah's King," ... Herbert.

Scripture lesson, Hymn No. 181, "Glories of Christ's Kingdom,"Montgomery. Announcements and Offertory. Anthem, "When Bethlehem's Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

Sermon, "Christmas Spirit." Anthem, "Sing with Joy," Herbert.

Cedar Avenue M. E. Church.

At the Cedar Avenue Methodist Episopal church Christmas will be observed tomorrow with services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Rev. F. P. Doty's subject for the morning service will be "God's Gift to Man," and for the evening service, "Man's Gift to God." Special Christmas music has been arranged for both services.

The Junior league will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 and the Senior Epanniversary exercises by the Sunday school entitled, "Bethlehem's Manger, will be held on Monday evening. An excellent programme has been arranged.

First Presbyterian Church.

Not within the history of church music in Scranton has there been a more ambitious and meritorious programme of music prepared than that which is to be given at the First Presbyterian church to-morrow morning and evening. The large chorus of forty people represents some of the leading vocalists of our city. Rehearsals have been going on for weeks, and a finished production is promised of several most effective Christmas anthems, and a performance at the evening service of Dudley Backs' most exculsite sacred cantata. "The Coming of the King," abounding with thrilling choruses for mixed, women and mens voices, and solos that are gems of

sacred music. A large programme containing the words of the contata has been printed. The soloists for the occasion are: Mrs. Kathryn Thiele, soprano; Mrs. H. S. Keller, alto: David Stephens. "Lo. Round the Throne," tenor: David Jenkins, baritone. Miss Choir, congregation, pic Florence H. Richmond will preside at the organ, and the musical programmwill be under the direction of Mr. J. T. Watkins.

Second Presbyterian Church.

Following is the programme of Christmas music which will be rendered tomorrow in the Second Presby-

Messrs. Beynon and Morgan.
Organ postlude Bridge EVENING.

Organ prelude, Meditation, ... Guilmant Miss Mabel Rennic.

(Words arranged to "Cujus Ani-mam" from Rossini's "Stabat Mater."

Mr. Beynon.
Anthem, "Oh! Holy Night,"....Adam
Miss Black and choir.

Organ postlude, Fugue in G minor

Miss Rennie.
At the morning service the regular church choir wil sing. In the evening the Church Choral rociety will assist, accompanied by organ and Sabbath school orenestra. Mr. J. M. Chance organist and director,

Providence Presbyterian Church.

The special Christmas services tomorrow in the Providence Presbyterian church include an elaborate program of Christmas music and appropriate sermons by the pastor. The services are as follows:

MORNING. Organ Prejude, inG.......J. B. Calkin Mrs. W. C. McDonnell. Doxology, "Praise God From Whom All Bless-

The Lord's Prayer"-Chant

Psaiter "Gloria Patri"..... Congregation
Anthem, "There Were Shepherds,"
Dr. Johnson
Ladies' Voices. Soprano Solo and full
Choir. Scripture lesson, Matthew. il.

Anthem, "Shout the Glad Tidlegs,"
Dr. Hopkins
Auxiliary choir, solos by Miss Smith,
Mr. John and Mr. Heberling.
Announcements.
Offertory in E b, "Batiste,"
Mrs. W. C. McDonneil
Hymn, "Stuttgart"....No. 168 Hymnal
Sermon, "The Christmas Wonder,"
Pastor

Anthem "Arise, Shine, Thy Light Is Coming,"
Mr. Joshua John and oir Hymn, "Antioch".....No. 173 Hymnai The choir is composed of the following:

Mrs. W. C. McDonnell. Wely EVENING. Prelude, violin and organ, "Spring

Awakening" (Romanze)..... Bach Miss Clara Long, Mrs. W. C. McDon-Sentence, "The Lord Is in His Holy

Responsive reading, selection 56,

Paulter Soprane solo, "Cradled in a Manger Lowly"...... Schnecker
Miss Phoebe Smith.
(Violin obligato, Miss Clara Long.)

Hymn, "Adestes Fideles," No. 179 Hymnal Response, 'O Father, Incline Thine Ear" Ch Anthem, Carol, "The Best of All

Auxillary Choir. Scripture lesson, Luke, ii.
Tenor solo, 'Bethlehem's Star''. Adams
Mr. Joshua John.
Hymn, "Harwell"......No. 163 Hymnal Announcements.

hem" Mr. H. K. Acker. .. Schnecke

Address, "Born to Save"......Pasaor Anthem, "Messlah Is King"... Warren Miss Smith, Mr. John and United Choirs. Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"..... No. 139 Hymnal Bendiction. Mrs. W. C. McDonnell.

Green Ridge Presbyterian.

At the Green Ridge Presbyterian church, of which Rev. I. J. Lansing, D. D., is pastor, on Sunday the regular choir of the church, assisted by Miss Laura Meldrum, pianist; J. Berghauser, violin; J. Gannon, clarionet, and T. Miles, cornet, will render the sacred Christ and His Soldiers," by J. Truner, so arranged as to bring before the mind and the heart two distinet but yet kindred pictures. First, the life of the Saviour, Secondly, the life of His servants, in which the person of the Saviour stands forth supreme either as himself blessing, tolling and suffering alone or "Seeing the Travail of His Soul" and surrounded worth league at 6,30 p. m. Christmas by his "many sons," whom he is bringing to glory. Following is the programme:

> MORNING, 10.30. The Life of Christ."

"Hark the Glad Sound."
J. C. Winke, choir, organ and or-chestra. O Come, All Ye Faithful". Full choir

Shout the Glad Tidings," Congregation, choir and orchestra "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty." Choir, piano, organ and orchestra.
"Our Blest Redeemer."
Miss Edith Martin "Angels from the Realm of Glory,"
Congregation and choir
"By Jesus' Grave,"..Mr. W. A. Roberts
"The Lord Ascended Up on High,"

Choir, congregation, organ and or-chestra. EVENING.

"The Life of the Christian." Organ voluntary.
"Hark, a Thrilling Voice is Sounding, Mark, a Thrilling voice is Sounding,
Mr. Roberts, Miss Martin and choir.
"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear,"
Choir and congregation
"Soldiers of Christ, Arise,"

"The Child of Bethlehem."
"Oft in Danger, Oft in Woe,"
Mr. A. Pilling and choir

Organist, Miss Salome Becker, Choirmaster, Mr. G. Fred Whittemor

Hickory Street Presbyterian. At the German Preshyterian chruch on Hickory street, Sunday morning the service wil be as usual at 10.39. The pastor expects to preach on Isaiah 40-1: "Comfort ye, comfort ye by people, saith your God." In the evening at 7:30 a special programme Organ prelude, Sanctus,......Gounod of Christmas music will be rendered, as follows:

Chorgesang, "Sei Wilkommen, Church Choir.
Wechselgesang, "Lied am Christabend" Wonnberger
Girls' and Boys' Choir.
Selection

Berghauser.
Chorgesang, "Horch welch Humm-lisch suesse Toene"...J, R, Dunham
Church Choir.

Wechselgesang, "Die Geburt Christi," Church Choir and Choral Union.
Tenor solo and chorus, mit Or
chester Begleitung, "Stille Nacht," Mr. Gustave Repert and Church Choir

and Prof. Lawrence's Orchestra. Chorgesang, "Frohlockt the Voelker,"

mas service wil be held with special music. The pastor, W. A. Nordt, expects to preach on the gospel of the day, Luke II: 1-14. Theme: "The first Christmas Service." The Sabbath school will have its celebration on Christmas day The Infant department in the afternoon 3,30, and the Bible classes in the evening, I o'clock.

Dunmore Presbyterian.

At the Dunmore Presbyterian church tomorrow the order of the Christmas exercises will be as follows: MORNING,

Invocation,
Anthem, "Behold, I Bring You Good
Tidings" Gos
Hymn No. 220, "Hark! the Herald salter, responsive reading.

Bethichem."
Anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord,"

Benediction.

EVENING.

Scripture lesson. Anthem, "Radiant Morn"... Woodward Hymn No. 331, "Oh, Come all Ye Falthful" Fortugal Offertory, "The Nativity" Adam Sermon. Hymn, "Holy Night"......Barnby Prayer, Hymn No. 374, "All Glory, Laud and Ber Hon. Smart

Anna Bryden, Miss Lucretia Snyder, Miss Anna Bishop, Miss Anna Boyd, Altos—Inez Gray, Grace Chamber-iain, Mrs. M. P. Mitchell, Tenors—M. P. Mitchell, Joseph Jen-

rey,
Bassos—Charles Warg, Herman Ludwag, Frederick Peter.
Director, E. E. Southworth.
Organist, Ellen Griffin.

Washburn Street Presbyterian.

In the Washburn Stret Presbyterian church temorrow, the regular Quartette choir will be increased to a double quartette and the following program of Christmas music rendered:

MORNING.

Prelude. Old Hundred. Invocation.
"I Bring You Glad Tidings"......Gose Responsive reading. Hymn, "Adeste Fideles," No. 170. eripture lesson 'Christ is Born" Lyon Prayer. Solo, "The Birth of Christ,"....Tipton Offertory, "Introit."Batiste 'Sing O Heavens' Tours Sermon. 'Sing and Rejoice,"......Barnby Prayer. Hymn, "The Nativity," ... Mendelssohn Benediction.

Postlude. HVENING. "Hosanna" Lowe Scriptural reading. "Prince of Peace".....Barnby Scripture lesson. Solo, "A Glad New Song".....Greeley Notices.

Postlude, Retrocessional.

Prayer.

Penn Avenue Baptist. A chorus of thirty volces will assist in the rendition of the Christmas music at the Penn Avenue Baptist church to-morrow morning and evening. Mr. Frank Brundage will be the soloist, and Haydn Evans, organist and director. The programme is as

MORNING SERVICE. Organ prelude, allegro.....L. Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus" Name."

Responsive Scripture reading. Choir response, "There is No Name so Sweet on Earth." Invocation, Anthem, "Sing, O Heavens"....Rogers

Full Choir. Responsive Scripture reading. Prayer. Response, "Hear Our Prayer." Offertory, duet, "There were Shep-herds" Fost

Mrs. Brundage and Miss Edwards. Hymn, "Herald, Angels." Sermon, "The Heavenly Anthem." Anthem. "For Unto Us a Child is Born" Handel Benediction.

Organ postlude, "Grand Marche," EVENING SERVICE. Organ preludeflandel-Guilmant Refrain, "Abide with Me".......Choir Reading of Scripture. Anthem, "Lift Up Your Heads,"

Hymn, "Joy to the World." Prayer. Offertory, 'Cradled in a Manger Mrs, Brundage, "Who is to Blame if You

Anthem, "Christmas Bells"....Cautor Ladies' Chorus, Hymn, "Take the Name of Jesus

Organ postludeCallerts First Baptist Church.

Renediction.

The usual morning service at the First Baptist church to-morow will be held at the regular time, 11.39 o'clock. In the evening the congregations and choirs of the First Welsh and First English Baptist churches will hold a union service at 6 o'clock Reisiger in the Welsh Bantist church. The choirs will sing the sacred cantata; "Light of Life." The choirs have been practicing the Christmas music and it is of much merit. Following is

the musical programme: Part 1 .- "The Day's Dawn." Part I.—"The Day's Dawn.
Introduction, Pipe Organ and Piano.
"Hearken Unto Me," tenor sole and chorus.......Thomas G. Williams "Then Shail the Redeemed," quartette, Mrs. T. James, Ruth Beddoe, John Evans, B. G. Beddoe.
"O. Come, Emmanuel," bass sole and chorus."

chorus" E. Lor.
"The People that Walked in Darkness," full chorus.
"O, Light of Life," contraits solo. 'Arise, Shine, for Thy Light is

Come," full chorus.

Part II.—"The Glorious Day."

'Angel Screnade," double quartette,
dirs. Williams, Mrs. Banning, Misses

Margaret Jones, Annie Dagger, Edith

Mrs. T. James
"Who Are These?" male chorus,
"O, Star Divine," soprano solo,
Mrs. Arthur Banning
"Rejoice Greatly," final chorus,
Leader, William Eyans,
Organist—Mrs. D, B, Thomas,
Planist, Mrs. B, G, Beddoe,

North Main Avenue Baptist. The large and excellent Chorus Cholr d the North Main Avenue Baptist hurch, composed entirely of members of that congregation, have been faith fully rehearsing appropriate music, and have prepared an elaborate programme which will be rendered at both ser vices on Sunday. The following order of services will be observed:

Organ voluntary. "Praise God from Whom" Choir and congregation avocation. Cheir and congregation Reading of Scripture.

MORNING, 10.30.

Hymn Admounteements. dieriory. Anthem. "Erightest and Best," Lyon

Tenor and coprane, sous and chorus

sermon. then, "Rejolee Greatly, Daughter of Zion" Organ postlude.

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