

Alderson Ladies Meet

W.S.C.S. held its Christmas Party Thursday evening at Alderson parsonage. Mrs. Theodore Heness conducted the morship service, and a short business meeting followed.

Helen Hartman, Raymond Grey, Garvin Smith, Eugene Lavelle, Amos Hunsinger, Ida Rogers, Clarence Montross, Raymond Garinger, Harry Allen, Robert Williams, Albert Armitage.

Admitted To General

C. W. Bertels, Hillside-Huntsville Road, was admitted to General Hospital Thursday evening at 9:45 on order of Dr. G. W. Klem. Kingston Township ambulance was staffed by Arnold and Marvin Yeust.

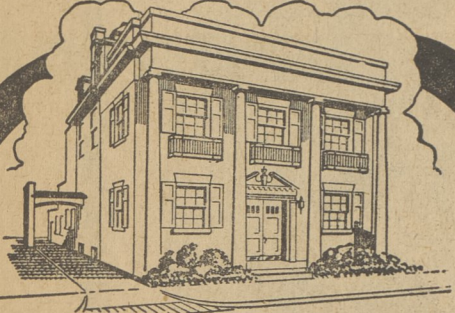
BEST WISHES

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CHRISTMAS - 1961

by REV. ROBERT D. YOST

The observance of the birth of Christ has become so sub-Christian and secularized that it is in danger of losing its real meaning. The trappings of the occasion—the Santa Clauses, the Christmas trees, the advertising and the shopping, the wholesale exchange of gifts, the flood of greeting-cards, the parties and the feasting—are now so all-absorbing that the historic significance of the day is almost forgotten.

One feature of the season, however, still keeps it from taking on a wholly secular character—the Christmas carols. They ring out the essential meaning of Christmas—the Good News that man has not been left to grope in the dark after God, but that God has come to us in a way we can recognize and understand. They proclaim that the gulf between man and God, which cannot be bridged from man's side, has been bridged from God's side.

"Joy to the world, the Lord is come,
Let earth receive her King."

"Hark, the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King."

"Christmas, awake, salute the happy morn
Whereon the Saviour of the world was born."

So long as such songs are in our hearts and on the air we still have the reality of Christmas.

These songs not only keep the true spirit of Christmas, but also call us back to the central core of the Christian faith. If Jesus is only an inspiring teacher or a moral leader or a winsome character, our Christmas carols are hardly more than sentimental nonsense. Christmas is our clearest affirmation that Jesus is not simply an example of what we should strive to be, but God's grace reaching down to us in redeeming love. Christmas keeps us from forgetting that Jesus is not only a great and good man, but also a Saviour.

According to the Christmas carols the birth of Jesus is the greatest single event in history. We recognize this in our calendar by dating events before and after His coming. We thereby acknowledge that a life was lived which has changed the course of history more than any other, and that no subsequent event has been sufficiently epochal to afford the ground for starting a new way of reckoning time.

If our little and transient lives are to have any real significance they must be related to some central point in history which gives meaning to the whole. Without that, history is only a senseless urge of incomprehensible forces. Christmas recalls us to a deeper perception of reality. It bids us never forget that history has a central meaning, and that this meaning is found in Christ. It is this conviction that must be maintained if we are really to have Christmas.

Sweet Valley W.C.T.U. Enjoys Christmas Party

Sweet Valley W.C.T.U. held a Christmas party Tuesday evening at the Fire Hall. Gifts were exchanged, a program enjoyed, and a luncheon served to the following: Mrs. George Wesley, Sr., Mary Claire and Beverly, Mrs. George Wesley, Jr., Penni, Lee Ann and Lou Rae, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Water-stripe and Miss Edna Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. William Ferry, William, Jr., and Lillie June, Aletha Cragle, Genevieve Benscoter, Nellie Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Frecce Morris, Lina and Sandra, Keith Webster, Jessie

Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Brown, Hazel Long, Elizabeth Quoss, Irene Adams, Arline Adams, Vida Kitchen, Dayton Long, Mrs. June Iverson and Brad, Shirley George, Julia Pollock, Loretta Sheldon, Almira Long, Gloria Long, Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Jones, Ruth Pollock and Bessie Updyke.

Card Of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Evans, East Dallas, wish to thank all those who donated blood—many of whom neither Mr. and Mrs. Evans knew—during Mrs. Evans recent surgery at Nesbit Hospital. Both were deeply touched by the kindness of so many.

News Of The Churches

BEAUMONT BAPTIST
Rev. L. E. Peterson — Pastor
Donald Jones — S. S. -Sup't
Thurs. Eve. Dec. 21st — 6:45 p.m. Young Peoples; 7:30 p.m.: Prayer Service; 8:30 p.m.: Choir Practice.
Sat. Eve. Dec. 23rd. — 8:00 p.m. Christmas Program presented by the Sunday School.
Sun. Dec. 24th—10:00 a.m. Sunday School; 7:30 p.m. Church Service followed by business meeting of the church.

SHAVERTOWN METHODIST
Rev. Robert DeWitt Yost, Pastor
Sunday: 9:45 Church School with Classes for all ages.
11:00 Nursery during Church for pre-school children.
11:00 Christmas Sunday Service with Music by all Choirs and the Quartet.
11:30 Junior Church.
10 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service.

PRINCE OF PEACE EPISCOPAL
Rev. William Mc Clelland, Jr.
Sunday, December 24th — 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
9:30 a.m. Family Service and Church School Christmas Program.
11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Christmas Eve Service, 11 p.m. Holy Communion and Sermon.
Christmas Day, 10 a.m. Holy Communion.
Thursday, December 28th — 6:30 p.m. Couple's Club Christmas party at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goeringer and Mr. and Mrs. James Besecker, Jr.

NOXEN INDEPENDENT BIBLE
ROBERT L. SUTTON, MINISTER
Sunday at 10 — Bible School; 11 — Divine Worship.
6:30 — Young People's Meeting; 7:30 — Gospel Service.
Thursday 7:45—Prayer and Bible Study.

OUTLET FREE METHODIST
Rev. Emery D. Stokes
Sunday services: Sunday School at 10 a.m.; morning worship at 11; evening worship at 7:30.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sweet Valley
REV. B. KIRBY JONES
Sunday services: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; morning worship at 11. Young People, 6:30; evening worship at 7:30.
Thursday evening at 7:30, Mid-week Service.

DALLAS FREE METHODIST
Rev. Ralph Smith
Sunday Services: Sunday School, 10 a. m. Morning Worship, 11. Youth Service, 7 p. m. Evening Evangelistic Service, 7. Prayer and Praise Service, Wednesday at 7:30; Mid-week 7:30.

SHAVERTOWN BIBLE CHURCH
Pastor, Rev. R. W. Edmondson
Sunday—Sunday School - 10A.M. Classes for all ages.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Evangelistic Service - 7:30 p.m.
Special Christmas Service. Monday—Christian Boy's Brigade - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday—Pioneer Girl's - 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday—Ladies Prayer Meeting - 1:30 p.m.
Thursday—Mid-week Prayer and Praise Service - 7:30 p.m.
Bible Club - 4:15 p.m.

GATE OF HEAVEN
Rev. Francis A. Kane, Pastor
Assistants: Rev. Richard J. Frank, Rev. Michael Rafferty
Sunday masses: 7:20, 9 and 11 a. m.
Religious instruction Sunday mornings after nine o'clock mass, for children not receiving it in parochial school.
Confessions Saturday, 4 to 5 p.m. Choir practice Tuesdays.
Christmas confessions: Friday night, 7 to 8:30; Saturday, 4 to 5 and 7 to 9.

ST. THERESE'S
Rev. John P. Walsh, Pastor
Rev. Francis T. Brennan, Assistant
Sunday masses: 7:30, 8:45, and 10:45.

HUNTSVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Rev. C. H. Frick, Pastor
Sunday: 9:30 Worship.
10:30 Church School. The children will give a Christmas program in place of the usual lesson. The offering of the day will go to the support of the state children's home. If the children care to bring white gifts, toilet articles from soap to brushes will be acceptable.
The annual congregational meeting will be combined with the monthly fellowship supper at 6:30 on Thursday night.

EMANUEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Harveys Lake
Rev. and Mrs. George Clement,
Sunday: 10 a.m. S. S. School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship.
7:30 p.m. Annual Christmas Program, everyone is invited.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study.
Saturday 7:30 p.m. Prayer and Praise.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN FELLOWSHIP
Worship service at 11:00 a.m., Dallas Junior High School. Rev. Robert Smyrl will deliver the sermon.
Sunday School for adults and children at 9:45 a.m. Nursery is available for both Sunday School and the service.
Adult and Youth Choir rehearsal, Saturday, 3:00 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Troup, Had-field Hills.
On Friday night, December 23, Christmas carolling will be combined with the Family Christmas Party at 7 p.m.
Youth Fellowship and their families will meet Sunday afternoon at Hall's parking lot to go carolling.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
Rev. Frederic H. Eidam, Pastor
Thursday after school Children's Choir Rehearsal.
Sunday, December 24; 9 a.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
9:30 a.m. The Christmas Celebration of the Sunday School. Carol singing recitations and drills.
11 a.m. The Christmas Celebration in Word and Music. The Children's, Chapel and Senior Choirs will sing.
10:30 p.m. The Traditional Candlelight Christmas Celebration of Holy Communion.
Christmas Day, The Christmas Celebration in the Home.
Russell C. Lawry, Pastor
DALLAS METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday—Divine Worship at 8:30 and 11:00.
Sunday School at 9:45.
Sunday School Christmas Program at 3:30.

Midnight Mass Sunday night.
Christmas masses Sunday morning at 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.

Fernbrook

Most motorists and adults didn't relish the thought of going outside on Sunday but the boys and girls on East Overbrook Ave. really had a ball. They donned their ice skates and used their sleds to their hearts content because there wasn't any traffic moving on their street until late afternoon.

East Dallas Hobby Club recently held its annual Christmas party at the Castle Inn. Secret Pals were revealed for the past year. Games were played and gifts exchanged. Present were: Doris Kitchen, Vida Adams, Ruth Young, Sally Wagner, Agnes Sidorek, Carol Lasher, Bonnie Wandell, Mary Lasher, Mickey Reese, Marilla Stanton, Priscilla Coolbaugh and Florence Martin.

Idetown

W.S.C.S. Christmas party was held in the Church House Wednesday night with twenty two present. Officers were hostesses for the evening. Mrs. Bruce Williams and Mrs. Loren Keller distributed gifts.

Thursday night, Serving and Waiting Class held its Christmas party. Mrs. Pearl Connor and Mrs. Lulu Schultz were hostesses. They and Mrs. Emory Hadsel led devotions, while Corey Meade presided at the business meeting. Mrs. Jesse Boice gave the treasurer's report and Mrs. Ernest Fritz, secretary's report. It was voted to give \$5.00 to the Salvation Army. There was singing of hymns and exchanging of gifts. Next meeting will be held at the John Race.

Saturday night Methodist Couples Club, with twenty three present, held its Christmas party at Esther's Dinner in Beaumont. Carols were enjoyed, games played.
Glen Spencer shot a deer while hunting on Monday.

Card Of Thanks

The family of the late Henry Swire, Pikes Creek, wishes to thank the many friends who eased the burden of the bereavement by their thoughtful expressions of kindness and their many acts of personal service.

FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN

REV. GROVE ARMSTRONG

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: . . . and his name shall be called . . . the Prince of Peace.

In the present world crisis one might say, "It is pure sentiment", and ask, "Where has the Prince of Peace created peace?"

In answer to that, many can testify, the writer among them, that in the center of their own beings, Christ, the Prince of Peace has stilled the raging storm of pride, rebellion, doubt, and fear and made peace. And a wonderful peace it is, too. It abides even though the outward conditions are chaotic and unpromising.

Christ works differently from governments. He never tries to legislate peace. He redeems society by redeeming men. Jesus did not come to force peace upon men, to shackle rebellious fighting men with the bonds of peace. That is the responsibility of law. Christ came to free rebellious men from their rebellion and malignant wrath, hence creating peace.

This peace is not accomplished in legislative chambers, nor even in churches. It is accomplished in man's soul when he with true repentance and faith turns to Christ the Redeemer and Prince of Peace. Then and only then will the "peace of God which passes all understanding" keep his heart and mind through Christ Jesus.

Will peace ever come to men on earth? Yes. Peace will come to every one who turns to God with his whole heart. Then will his "peace be like a river and his righteousness as the waves of the sea."



*May you find great joy
as Christmas renews the
glory of the Holy Night.*

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is one we especially cherish—greeting
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a very merry and happy Christmas.*

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The Senior M.Y.F. will meet at the church at 6:00 and then go to the three nursing Homes in the area to hold a service.

Christmas Eve Communion Service in the church Sanctuary at 8:30.
Monday — The Young People will sponsor a Christmas Service in the church Sanctuary at 10 a.m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Tuesday — The Durbin Class will have a Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. Clayton Evans.
Wednesday — Chancel Choir rehearsal at 6:30; Senior Choir Rehearsal at 8:00.

GLENVIEW P. M. CHURCH
Rev. Andrew Derrick, Pastor
Sunday Morning Worship, 9:55; Sunday School, 11:00 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 7:00 p. m.; evening Service, 7:00 p. m.
Wednesday: Choir practice, 6:30 p. m.
Bible Study and Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p. m.

LEHMAN-IDETOWN CHARGE
Rev. Norman Tiffany, Pastor
EHMAN:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church service 11:15

IDETOWN:
Church 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11
JACKSON:
Church 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45

**MAPLE GROVE
METHODIST CHURGE**
Rev. James Garrahan
At Loyalville, a Christmas program postponed because of icy roads last Sunday evening, will be given Sunday morning at 9:30, cancelling out the regular church service. The choir will present a play, and the Sunday School program will be given. The church extends a welcome to the community.

ALDERSON NOXEN CHARGE
Rev. John Gordon, Pastor
RUGGLES: Sunday morning worship 8:45; S.S. 10 a.m.
NOXEN
Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m., M. Y. F., 6 p.m.

ALDERSON S.S. 10 a.m.; morning worship at 11:15 MYF Sunday at 6
KUNKLE: Choir rehearsal Thursday at 7 p.m.
Sunday services: S.S. 10 a.m.; worship at 7:30 p.m.
MYF Friday at 6; choir rehearsal at 7 p.m.

MOORETOWN ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Louis Trotta, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.; morning worship at 11.
Children's church conducted by Mrs. Louis Trotta at 11.
Evening worship, 7:30.
Tuesday prayer meeting, 7:30 p.m.

TRUCKSVILLE FREE METHODIST
Rev. Grove Armstrong, Pastor
Friday: 6:30 p.m. Meet at Church for Caroling—FMY and CYC. Bring 25c for refreshments.
Saturday 1:30 Practice for Christmas Program.
6 p.m. CYC at 103 Main St. Kingston.
Sunday: Sunday School 9:30; Morning Worship 10:30.
7 p.m. Christmas Program.
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

HUNTSVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
C. Earle Cowden, Pastor
Sunday services: Morning worship at 10; S.S. at 11:10.
MYF 6:30 p.m.

CARVERTON METHODIST CHURGE
Rev. William Reid, Pastor
ALL CHARGE: Sermon topic, The Light of Man, John 11, to 14th verses; chapter 8, verses 1 to 12.
Thursday: Pairs and Spares Christmas Party.
Friday, Sunday School Christmas party at Mt. Zion and Carverton.
Saturday, Sunday School Christmas Party at Orange.
Sunday, 7:30 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Mt. Zion.

MT. ZION: Sunday services, Worship at 9 a.m.; Sunday School at 10.
CARVERTON: Morning worship at 10, Sunday School at 11.
ORANGE: Morning worship at 11, Sunday School at 10.

CENTER MORELAND METHODIST
Rev. J. Edwin Lintern, Pastor
ALL CHARGE:
Friday — Junior and Senior High MYF and the Boy Scouts will sing Christmas carols at the homes of sick and shut-ins. They will meet at Center Moreland Church at 7 p.m. and return there for refreshments.

Sunday — Fourth Sunday in Advent; Sermon: "When God Gets Down To Earth"; Hymns 86, 87, 98, 97.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held in East Dallas Church at 11 p.m. for the people of all three churches. Special music and participation by the young people.

EAST DALLAS:
Saturday — 7:30 p.m. — Church School Christmas Program.
Sunday — Morning Worship 9 a.m.; Junior Church School 10:15 a.m.; Junior High MYF 7:30 p.m.
DYMOND HOLLOW:
Saturday — Church School Christmas Program.
Sunday—Morning Worship 10:15 a.m.; Sunday Church School 11:15 a.m.

CENER MORELAND:
Thursday — The W.S.C.S. will hold the December meeting at 8 p.m. at the church.
Sunday — Church School 10 a.m.