

Christmas At The Churches

A Prayer For Christmas

ALMIGHTY GOD, we give thee thanks for the mighty Savior and the constant promise of thy word that yearning of the human heart for the coming of a Savior and the constant promise of Thy word that he was to come. In our own souls we repeat the humble sighs and panting aspirations of ancient men and ages and own that our souls are in darkness and infirmity, without faith in Him who comes to bring God to man and man to God. We bless thee for the tribute that we can pay to Him from our sense of need and dependence and that our own hearts can so answer from their wilderness the cry, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." In us the rough places are to be made smooth, the crooked straight, the mountains of pride brought low and the valleys of despondency lifted up. O God, prepare thou the way in us now, and may we welcome anew thy holy child! Hosanna! Blessed be He who cometh in the name of the Lord. Amen.—Osgood.

CHURCHES HOLD XMAS EXERCISES

Greater Majority Will Have Trees for the Kiddies and Santa in Regalia

Christmas this year will be formally observed in practically every church of the city and most of them have made allowances for the little folks and old Santa Claus with trees, properly bedecked with candy, nuts and many-colored lights—with everything that goes to make the occasion festive for the "kiddies."

At the Episcopal church at 7 a. m. Christmas morning there will be held the Holy Communion, at which all communicants of the parish are asked to be present to make their Christmas communion, and another service consisting of a morning prayer and sermon at 1 p. m. Inspiring music is to be sung at both services.

Services will be held in the Norwegian Lutheran church of Marshfield at 11 a. m. on Christmas Day. The big tree, with a program by the children will be given Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. In the North Bend Lutheran chapel at 7:45 p. m. on Christmas evening there will be services and the children's tree and program will be held at 8 o'clock on Sunday evening.

At the Catholic church in Marshfield Low Mass will be held at 8:00 a. m. and High Mass at 10:30 a. m., this to be followed by the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. In North Bend at the chapel there Low Mass will be held at 6:30 a. m. and High Mass at 9 a. m. Christmas morning.

This evening the Christian church will have a Christmas tree and exer-

cises by the children, a program that has taken several weeks to work up. At 7:30 there will be a stereopticon talk on the story of Christ and the origination of Christmas, this to be followed by the regular exercises.

The North Bend Christian church will also have a tree and exercises this evening, starting at 7:30 p. m.

The fact that more than 300 pounds of candies have already been taken to the Baptist church means that there will be plenty for the youngsters and the old folks as well at the tree there this evening at 7:30. Prizes are to be awarded at this time by Superintendent Leslie to the Sunday school children who have made good records this year in attendance.

There will be an early Matin service at the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran church at 6 a. m. on Christmas morning and at 7:30 in the evening a big tree will be ready for the children. Services will be held in the church at North Bend Friday morning at 10:30.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Program for Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24:
Opening Song, "Joy to the World," .. Congregation
Prayer .. Rev. A. F. Bassford
Anthem, "Good Tidings of Joy" .. The choir

Recitation .. Whitford Hall
Solo .. Mrs. Edward Dolin
Recitation .. Ruth Corey
Duet, Elsie Thomas and Edith Ayre
Recitation .. Curtis Nagle
Song .. Primary Department
Recitation .. Ruth Phillips
Song and March Drill by eight girls
Recitation .. Robert Hoffman
Recitation .. Virginia Brown
Song, Francis and Harold Harwood
Recitation .. Lois Bassford
Tableau, "The Littlest Boy in the Choir" ..
The arrival of Santa Claus.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS READY FOR XMAS

Elaborate Programs Prepared For Christmas Celebrations.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

Methodist Episcopal Sunday school Friday evening at 7:30:

- Song by school, "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem."
- Invocation.
- Responsive Reading.
- Song, "Merry, Merry Christmas Time."
- Classes of Mrs. Bush and Roxie Hall.
- Recitation, "The Best Gift."
- Song, "We'll Hang Up Grandma's Stocking"
- Exercise, "What Will We Do With Our Christmas Pennies."
- Song, "Cause It's Christmas Time"
- Recitation, "A Christmas Story"
- Solo, "Slumbering Lies the World's Redeemer."
- Recitation, "Parceis Post"
- Song, "I Want Santa Claus to Bring Me a Brother."
- Recitation, "A Trial"
- Solo, "Snowflakes"
- Recitation, "Making Tea for Santa"
- Solo, "Star of the East"
- Song, "Silent Night"
- Entrance of Santa Claus.

UNITED BRETHREN.

A Unique Christmas is being prepared at the United Brethren church in North Bend in which the Sunday school and congregation are uniting. The real meaning of Christmas will be demonstrated in "White Gifts for the King," based on the story of the "Three Wise Men" and an old legend—"The Legend of Cathay." Each Sunday School class will bring a gift to the King while members of the congregation will express their gifts in some form inclusive of Self, Service, Substance.

The decorations will be in pure white with here and there a bunch of green ivy, while appropriate mottoes adorn the walls.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

The choir of Emmanuel Episcopal Church has prepared a very elaborate and beautiful musical program to be given Christmas Day at the early morning celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 a. m. They have been practicing for some time on the difficult music and their efforts this year will surpass any previous chorale service. The program is as follows:

- Communion Service in C .. Dudley Buck
Recessional, "Adeste Fideles" ..
11 o'clock a. m.
Professional, Hymn 80, "Angels from the Realms of Glory" ..
Smart Verite .. Belcher
Gloria Patri .. Spahr
Te Deum (Festival) .. Buck
Jubilate Deo .. Patten
Hymn 58, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" .. Redner
Contralto solo, "O Heavenly Vision" .. Armstrong
Mrs. E. Stanley Henderson.
Hymn 59, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" .. Willis
Offertory Anthem, "Sing, O Heavens" .. Tours
Presentation of Alms, "O Praise God" .. Bourgeois
Recessional, Hymn 56 "Christians Awake, Salute the Happy Morn" .. Wainwright
The members of Emmanuel church choir are:
Sopranos—Mrs. Charles Stauff, Mrs. Roy Everett Miller, Mrs. John S. Cole, Miss Edith Preston, Miss Clara Myren.
Alto—Mrs. E. Stanley Henderson, Mrs. J. T. Hall, Miss Evelyn Anderson, Miss Genevieve Sengstacken.
Tenors—Mr. Benjamin B. Ostlund, Mr. Charles Stauff, Mr. Alfred Fliedburg, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Don Shipman, Basses—Mr. A. Landles, Prof. F. A. Tiedgen, Mr. George Ayre, Mr. Tester.
Mrs. William Horsfall, Jr., Organist and choir director.

AT THE HOTELS

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G. W. Starr and wife, Coquille; Abe Anderson and wife, North Bend; H. S. Kribs, Myrtle Point; A. L. Bunch, Beaver Hill; Sam Bruner, Beaver Hill; O. A. Mintyne, Coquille; Harry Clouser, Coquille; Ned C. Kelley, Coquille; Len F. Price, Sumner.
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C. Martin, Norway; H. L. Hauser, McKinley; E. Baley, Bandon; J. L. Hotchkiss, Coos River; E. F. Brown, Myrtle Point; C. O. Loyles, Beaver Hill.

The Blanco Hotel.
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Robert Bean, Gardiner; W. H. Smith, Coos River; H. W. Wilkins, Coos River; Ed Goldbloom, Bridge; Harry Long, Myrtle Point; John Le Due, Tar Heel; James McCahey, Tar Heel; Willis Neely, Coquille; R. Stemmerman, Tar Heel; T. J. Eabantyne, North Fork; Arnold McMay, Beaver Hill; Minnie McBroam, Beaver Hill; S. Goodman, Coquille; L. C. Cherez, Myrtle Point.

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E. Daggett, Coos River; E. B. Gray, Coos River; Sylvester Jones, Myrtle Point; Claud H. Norton, Sitkum; S. J. Sprague, Schofield; W. M. Peast and wife, Coquille; Boyl Bruner, Beaver Hill; Oscar Franz and wife, Beaver Hill; Sam Bruner, Beaver Hill; H. I. Savage, Coos River; Mrs. N. M. Young, Lakeside; Ernest Olson, Gardiner.

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