

# Joyous Birth of Saviour Theme of Christian Yule Services

## Christmas Programs to Feature Children, Youth

The birth of Jesus Christ the Saviour will be re-enacted in Salem and mid-valley churches during the coming days as all Christian religious activity centers on Christmas. Churches all over the world will join in the observance.

Parted by children's Sunday School departments, the various programs will include plays, vesper services, cantatas and pageants. Several churches have planned their programs for Sunday morning or evening while others will be presented on Christmas Eve. Many congregations plan both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services as well.

Among churches which have announced special activities this week are:

**Kingwood Bible**  
The Christmas cantata "Love Transcending" will be sung by Kingwood Bible Church choir at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve in the church.  
Abe Doerksen will conduct the one-hour concert and the Rev. Frank Wiens, pastor, will be narrator.

**Unitarian Fellowship**  
Sunday morning the Unitarian Fellowship meeting at 10:30 at the YWCA will hear Anne Lisa sing "Come Unto Me" from the Messiah by Handel, and the Intermediate Church School children present the story of "How the Christ Child Got His Birthday."

A special event of the morning will be the wrapping of gifts for the students at Chemawa Indian School.

**St. Mark's Lutheran**  
A Christmas Eve Candlelighting service will be conducted in St. Mark Lutheran Church at 11 p.m. Tuesday night. Christmas anthems will be sung by the choir. A Christmas message will be given by Pastor John Cauble.

Sunday at 4 p.m. the Sunday school Christmas program and exercise will be held in the church. Fourth Sunday in Advent service will be conducted at the usual hour, 8:30 and 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

**St. John's Lutheran**  
The special Christmas festival service of St. John's Lutheran Church will be a Holy Night service at 11 p.m. on Christmas Eve. The choir will lead in the candlelight procession and Introit. The Christmas Day Festival service is at 10:30.

A special Children's Christmas service for the Sunday School will be held Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. The service features a pageant directed by Mrs. Helena Lucas.

**St. Timothy's Episcopal**  
Christmas Eve services Tuesday night beginning at 11:30 p.m. and Christmas morning services at 10 a.m. are scheduled by St. Timothy's Episcopal Mission, meeting in the Salem Women's club building.  
The Rev. John Shideler, vicar, announced that preceding the night meeting Christmas carols will be sung by the choir, after which there will be observance of Holy Communion.

**The Salvation Army**  
Salvation Army will join others in Christmas observance Sunday with the Sunday School Christmas program at 9:45 a.m., followed by a worship built around a colored film strip, "Joy To The World."  
The young people's meeting at 8 p.m. will include a film entitled "The Greatest Gift." The service at 7:30 p.m. will include special Christmas music and song and a Christmas play.

**Salem Heights Baptist**  
Salem Heights Baptist Bible School department will give a Christmas presentation on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The pre-school, primary, and junior departments will take part. At 11 a.m. Pastor Elmer Hiebert will give the sermon, "Who was Jesus Christ and Why Did He Come?"

At 7:30 p.m. youth department will present a Christmas Vesper Service.  
On Monday evening the Senior Youth will have their season party.

**Central Lutheran**  
The Sunday School and the choirs of Central Lutheran Church will present three programs Sunday. At 9:45 a.m. the Pre-school Primary Sunday School children will give their program. At 11 a.m. the choirs will present a "Worship in Song." The pastor, the Rev. Harold Grindal will bring the message.  
At 7 p.m. the Junior and Senior Division of the Sunday School will give the program entitled "The Blessings of the Christ Child."

**First Congregational**  
At the 9:30 a.m. service Sunday at First Congregational Church a program will be presented by the church school, and it titled "Presentations for Jesus." The Junior and Senior choirs will sing. Narrators for the program include Douglas Nohlgren and William Hamilton.  
Dr. Levering Reynolds of Pacific University will conduct the 11 a.m. worship.  
A Christmas Carol Festival will be held Tuesday, Christmas Eve, at 11 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist**  
The Chancel Choir of Calvary Baptist Church will be featured during the Christmas worship services on Sunday. At 11 o'clock Dr.

## Living Nativity Scene Portrayed by Nazarene Youth



This "living nativity scene" has been on display nightly in front of the First Church of the Nazarene, 13th and Center Streets NE. Church youths posing are (left to right) Wayne Robbins, Judy Reeves, James Newberry, Floyd Hughes and Kenneth Stull. Besides the live figures, the display boasts a live sheep and burro. (Statesman Photo)

**Letter Day Saints**  
A special Christmas program is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Salem's Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. A sacrament service will be at 6:30 p.m. William T. Guerts is bishop.

**First Church of God**  
The annual Christmas program of First Church of God will be given at 10 a.m. Sunday. It will feature the illustrated Christmas story. At 7:30 p.m. the Junior High Youth will present a play: "Mary's Christmas Dream." The Senior High Youth will present a drama.

**Morningside Methodist**  
Morningside Community Methodist Church will present a Christmas Program Sunday evening at 8. There will be carol singing by the congregation, special music by the Morningside Choir, and Christmas songs and the Christmas story presented by the children and young people of Morningside Church.

**The Woman's Society of Christian Service** will serve refreshments later.

**Bethel Baptist**  
Pastor Everett Barker will speak Sunday on "His Humble Birth" at the 11 a.m. morning service of Bethel Baptist Church. The Christmas song of the choir is: "Christmas Carols."

**Salem Bible Church**  
At 9:45 a.m. Sunday the Sunday School of Salem Bible Church will present a Christmas program. It will depict the birth of Christ.  
At the 11 o'clock morning worship service Dr. Ernest R. Campbell, the pastor, will bring a special Christmas message.

**Mission Street UB**  
Mission Street United Brethren Church will present its Christmas program Sunday during the Sunday School hour. The Christmas message by the pastor, Mrs. R. V. Kilmer, will conclude the morning program.

In the evening at 7:30, the Youth Choir will sing Candlelight Carols and some children will speak. Main feature will be a 3-act play, "The Faithful Pioneer."  
The White Gifts offering will be taken at the evening service.

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services will be held at Grace Lutheran church. A service of carols and candlelighting will be held December 24 at 10:30 p.m. Youth and senior choirs will participate in the worship Dec. 25 at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 22, two programs arranged by the Sunday School will be given at 9:45 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m.

**First Christian**  
"The Friendly Beasts," a 12th-century carol, will be sung by the Junior Choir at First Christian Church on Sunday morning. The Sanctuary Choir will also sing. Dr. Wayne Greene, pastor, will speak.  
At 4 p.m. the annual Vesper Service will be featured. At 5 p.m. the Youth will meet for fellowship and caroling.  
Christmas morning at 8:30 there will be a brief service for the entire family.

**Free Methodist Church**  
The annual Christmas program of Free Methodist Sunday School will be held Sunday evening at 5 o'clock. A program of varied interest with individual and group participation is being planned.

**First Baptist Church**  
A musical presentation, "Birth of a King" will be given at First Baptist Church Sunday evening at 7:30. Scenes will portray the Christmas story while members of the three church choirs sing.  
Christmas Eve services will be held from 11 to midnight.

**First Presbyterian**  
At both the 9:45 and 11 o'clock worship services Sunday at First Presbyterian Church Dr. Paul N. Poling's sermon will be "Good News... Great Joy."  
At 4:45 p.m. "Amahl and the Night Visitors," a play adapted from the one-act opera by Gian Carlo Menotti, will be presented in the church sanctuary.

**Wesleyan Methodist**  
The annual Christmas program Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at Wesleyan Methodist Church, will include a play by the Young People, "Tax Day in Bethlehem," featuring the Christmas day activities of Bethlehem from the viewpoint of the innkeeper and his family. The intermediates will present "The Son of David."

**Immanuel Baptist**  
Christmas services at the Immanuel Baptist Church will be 7:30 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Ralph H. S. Wolverson, church pastor, will deliver a message entitled, "And It Came to Pass."

**Saint Paul's**  
Christmas observance in St. Paul's Episcopal Church will start with the Sunday morning service when the senior choir will sing Christmas anthems. The junior choir will sing during the church school Christmas program at 5 p.m.

The Choral Eucharist on Christmas Eve will begin with a candlelight procession at 11 p.m.

Christmas day services will be Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m. and Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m.

**West Salem Baptist**  
"The First Christmas Carol," will be the theme of the Sunday School Christmas program Sunday night at 7 o'clock at West Salem Baptist Church.

The worship service at 11 a.m. will feature special music by the choir and a Christmas message by the pastor.

**Garden Road Christian**  
Garden Road Christian Church's Christmas program will be presented Sunday evening in the church by Bible School students. The high school group will present a pageant.

**Reorganized Latter Day Saints**  
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will observe the Christmas occasion in regular service at 11 a.m. Sunday. An 8 p.m. service also will be held.

**Christ Lutheran**  
Christmas services at Christ Lutheran Church will include Sunday services at 11 a.m. and the children's program at 4:30 p.m. Sunday entitled, "Tell Me Again About Christmas."

Christmas Eve Vespers will be held at 7:45 p.m. The Christmas Festival Service will be held on Christmas day at 11 a.m.

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portraying events in the life of Christ.  
Sunday services at Court Street Christian will feature sermon on "The Light of Love Never Fails" by the minister, the Rev. W. Harold Lyman, at both 8:30 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. and a sermon on "Two Foundations" by Eddie McIndoo at 7:30 p.m.

**First Nazarene**  
Sunday First Church of the Nazarene will have a day of Christmas celebration. The Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. will present its program and the choir will present "Noels" at 7 p.m.

**Two Catholic Churches to Hold Services**  
Traditional midnight mass Tuesday will begin a series of Catholic services at Salem's two Catholic churches.

At St. Joseph's Catholic Church the Rev. Joseph E. Vanderbeck, church pastor, will celebrate the solemn high midnight mass assisted by the Rev. Robert Renner S.J., acting as deacon, and the Rev. Joseph Beno as subdeacon. St. Joseph's adult choir will sing the mass under the direction of Mrs. Mary Barton.

Schedule of masses for Christmas day are 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., at which Sacred Heart Academy will sing high mass; and 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will begin Christmas services with a midnight high mass on Christmas Eve at which the Rev. John J. Reedy, church pastor, will be celebrant. The St. Vincent's adult choir will sing the mass.

Christmas day mass schedule at St. Vincent's is 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., (high mass celebrated by the Rev. Lowell Blackburn); 9:15 a.m., (high mass); 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

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Marion & Cottage Sts.  
Ministers  
Wayne Greene, Don Ross  
Worship & Communion  
10:45  
"Let's Keep Christmas!"  
Christmas Vesper Service  
4:00  
By Sanctuary Choir

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**Party Planned For Senior Membership**  
Senior members of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church will be guests at an old-fashioned Christmas party in the green room of the church Monday between 3 and 5 p.m. according to an announcement by Pastor, John L. Cauble.

The party is open to all older people of the congregation and their friends, those born prior to 1900.

There will be a brief Christmas program, carol singing, a brief devotional period by the Pastor, and Christmas refreshments. This will probably be the final opportunity for the older people of the congregation to come together for fellowship in the old church building. The new church will be occupied soon.

Transportation will be arranged through the church office for those needing it; said the pastor.

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## Mid-Valley Churches Plan Special Activity

**FOUR CORNERS**—The Bible School of Four Corners Baptist Church will present its annual Christmas program at 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Pastor Harry R. Hutchinson has announced his sermon topic as "Christmas Without Christ," for the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday.

**LABISH VILLAGE**—Bishop Alvin Barkholder of Upland, Calif., will be guest speaker Sunday at the 11 a.m. service in Labish Village Community Church.

The Rev. Ben Brooks, pastor, announces a Christmas program at 8 p.m. Sunday will include songs and a Nativity film.

**OAK GROVE**—A Christmas program will be presented by church youth at Oak Grove Methodist Chapel during the Sunday School 10 a.m. meeting this Sunday.

Christmas sermon by the Rev. Melville T. Wire, pastor, will be delivered at 11 a.m.

**FOUR CORNERS**—Trinity Methodist Church will observe the Christmas season with the following services: Beginning with the worship on Sunday, December 22, at 8:30 and 11 a.m. the Rev. Joe A. Harding will speak on the thrilling possibilities of a Christian Christmas. Student assistant pastor Peter VanHorn will sing from the Messiah at both services.

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**ST. MARK'S (U. L. C.)**  
345 North Church  
Services 8:30 a. m. and 11:00 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.  
John L. Cauble, Pastor

**ST. JOHN'S (L. C. Mo. Syn.)**  
14th and Court Sts.  
Service 10:30 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:15 a. m.  
Walter G. Ross, Pastor

**GRACE (E. L. C.)**  
3300 Sunnyside Avenue  
Sunnyside School at 9:45 a. m.  
Services 8:30-11:00 a. m.  
Lowell Rolts, Pastor

**GOOD SHEPHERD (U. L. C.)**  
3720 South Commercial  
Services at 11 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
O. W. Ehrlich, D. D. Pastor

**FAITH (U. L. C.)**  
4540 North River Road  
Services 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Warren W. Pechman, Pastor

**CHRIST (A. L. C.)**  
State at 15th Street  
Services 8:30 11:00 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
T. H. Gohard, Pastor

**CENTRAL (L. F. C.)**  
North Capitol at Gaines  
Services 8:30 a. m.  
11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Harold Grindal, Pastor

**PEACE (L. C. Mo. Syn.)**  
Parkway Dr.—W. Salem  
(In American Legion Hall)  
Services 8:30 a. m.  
Sunday School 9:15 a. m.  
H. Peterson, Pastor

**FIRST METHODIST**  
State and Church Sts.  
Sermon: "How Far To Bethlehem?"  
Worship Services at 9:30 and 11:00  
Dr. Brooks H. Moore  
Music by Sanctuary Choir and Duet  
Christmas Vespers 4:30 by the Church, Junior and Youth Choirs with tabernacle, "The Holy Family"

**JASON LEE MEMORIAL METHODIST**  
North Winter and Jefferson  
Worship Services at 9:30 and 11:00  
Sermon: "Christmas Never Ends" Rev. Luther Baker  
Music by the Junior Choir  
Christmas Cantata, "Saint-Seems"  
8 p.m. Sat., Dec. 21st  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
11:15 p.m. Dec. 24th

**LESLIE METHODIST**  
South Commercial and Myers  
Worship Service at 11:00  
Sermon: "Wonder-Full" Rev. J. C. Johannes  
Music by the Choir  
Church School Christmas Program 7:00 p.m.  
"What Does Christmas Mean To You?"

**MORNINGSIDE COMMUNITY METHODIST**  
3200 S. 12th St.  
Worship Services at 9:30 and 11:00  
Sermon: "Making Christmas Christian"  
Rev. Boone White  
Church School Christmas Program 6:00 p.m.

**TRINITY METHODIST**  
590 South Elma  
Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00  
Sermon: "The Thrilling Possibilities of a Christian Christmas" Rev. Joe Andrew Harding  
Church School Christmas Program 7:30 p.m.  
"The Songs of Christmas"  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
11:00 p.m., Dec. 24th  
Christmas Day: "The King's Birthday Service",  
10:30 a.m., Dec. 25th

**WEST SALEM METHODIST**  
Third and Gerth  
Worship Service at 11:00  
Sermon: "Joy To The World" Rev. Wayne Hill  
Music by the Choir, O. C. Brown, soloist  
Church School Christmas Program, 7:30 p.m.

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11:00 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.  
"To Guide Our Feet Into the Way of Peace"  
Ronald W. Glessner, Minister  
Where Salvation Makes You a Member

**MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE JOYOUS!!**  
THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
invites you to attend their special Christmas services.  
SUNDAY, DEC. 22  
11:00 a.m. Rev. Ben Owen  
"Conversion, Crisis or Chaos"  
7:30 p.m.  
Musical and Dramatic presentation, "The Birth of a King"  
CHRISTMAS EVE  
CANDLELIGHT  
11:00 p.m. to Midnight  
"A time of real spiritual meditation to perfect your Christmas"  
Marion and Liberty Sts.  
Rev. Ben Owen—Rev. Stanton Irvine

**SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL**  
S. Liberty, High at Myers  
Services Sunday—  
Holy Communion 7:30  
Family Service 9:30  
Christmas Hymns, Sermon 11:00 a.m.  
Church School Christmas Program 5:00 p.m.  
Christmas Eve  
Choral Eucharist 11:00 p.m.  
CHRISTMAS DAY  
Holy Communion 7:30  
Choral Eucharist 10:00 a.m.  
Rev. Geo. H. Swift, Rector