

Lutherans plan Christmas programs

Both of the Lutheran churches in South Morrow County will be having their Christmas programs on Sunday, Dec. 19.

Hope Lutheran Church will be having their program at 4:30 in the afternoon, with all

of the Sunday School people as well as the children's choir, the adult choir, and the men's quartette being involved. After the program, there will be a dinner for all of the members and friends of the congregation who have gathered

for the program.

Valby Lutheran Church is adding a different emphasis to their program this year. Instead of having their program at the church where only members and friends of the congregation can see it, they will be taking their Christmas program up to the nursing home at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner so that the people who are unable to get out and see a Christmas program will have one brought to them.

This program will be given at 7 p.m. in the evening. After the program, the members of Valby will be going over to the home of Pastor and Mrs. Mark Johnson, where they will be having some "Swedish" refreshments.

Bishop to visit

The Rt. Rev. William Spoford, Bishop of Eastern Oregon, will make a visitation to All Saints' Episcopal Church, Heppner, Dec. 18-20.

On Sunday morning, he will administer the sacrament of Holy Confirmation, receive reaffirmations of faith and preach during the Eucharistic celebration at 10:30 a.m. Following the service, a dinner will be held in the parish hall of the church in his honor and also for the newly confirmed. The young people to be confirmed are Chris

Rietmann and John Murray of lone and Brian Thompson of Heppner.

On Monday morning at 8 a.m., the bishop will have breakfast with the clergy of the South Morrow County Ministerial Association and at 9:30 will celebrate Holy Communion as the start of an Advent Quiet Morning to which all members of the parish and the community at large are invited and urged to attend. The morning of prayer and meditation led by the bishop will come to a close at about 11:30 a.m.

Church notes

Perrins move

Late last May, Lloyd and Jana Perrin moved to Heppner to assume the pastorship of the Seventh-day Adventist Church here. At that time, it was mentioned in this paper that they hoped to be able to rent a house in the country where they could keep a horse.

Finding a home for them was one thing, but finding one that could accommodate a horse offered a real challenge. However, perseverance—and patience—have won. The Perrins are happy to announce that they are now at home six and a half miles north of town in one of the houses belonging to Dr. Harold Huber, and ad-

joining his ranch.

In the six months they have been here, the Perrins have made their presence felt in the community. Especially so in their church, which, inspired by their youthful enthusiasm and dedication, has begun to grow and take on new vitality.

Lloyd and Jana are delighted with their ranch-style living, and hope their friends from the community will drop by for a visit. With them, "friends" includes the entire community, for they know no strangers. If not a visit in person, the next-best would be a telephone call. Their new number is 989-8527.

Methodist special services

During the week of Christmas, there will be two special services at the Heppner United Methodist Church.

Sunday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30 p.m., there will be the annual Christmas program

featuring carol singing, a special number by the children's choir and a skit by the Senior High Youth Group.

The Three Wisemen will hand out gifts. All the families

of the community are invited to this service.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m., there will be a service of worship. This will be a time to come and to thank God for the gift of His Son.

Pastor Tollefson will be bringing the message and the recently reformed adult choir will sing two special arrangements.

Nursery care will be provided for this service, as it is provided for all regular morning worship services at the church. Again, all families are invited.

Before the Thursday service, Rev. and Mrs. Tollefson are inviting everyone to come into the parsonage between 7-8 p.m. for an open house and fellowship.

Witnesses plan special activities

The Lexington congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses will host a special week of activities. Part of the activities will be an effort to call on all persons in Morrow County to invite them to a special talk that will be given by Don Auvinen.

He will work with the local

Witnesses on the use of the Bible in their ministry. Auvinen will conclude Sunday, Dec. 26, at 10 a.m., with a talk entitled "What Kind of Name are You Making with God?" at the local Kingdom Hall, 330 West F St., Lexington, Ore.

All interested persons are invited. No collections are taken.

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