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THE REV. W. C. PIPER Leaves for Idaho

## First Christian To Honor Pipers

"Build the Church to Help Men Decide" is the title of the sermon which the Rev. William C. Piper will preach at both services Sunday morning at the First Christian church. This is a continuation of his series of sermons on "Build the Church."

At the first service the youth choir will sing the anthem "Teach Me, O Lord." At the second service Mrs. Ralph Matlack and Mrs. Robert Redeemer will sing "O Divine Redeemer" and the Chancel Choir will sing the anthem "Jesu, Word of God Incarnate."

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## Week End Retreat To Start Tonight

The first Southern Baptist church, 794 Lozier lane, is sponsoring a week end retreat tonight through Saturday for the youth groups age 13 through 24 of the Siskiyou Association of Churches.

Boys and girls from seven churches are expected to attend. Theme for the meeting will be "From This Day On." Activities will begin at 6:30 o'clock tonight with a sack lunch at the church followed by an evening of singing and inspirational numbers.

Speaker for the evening will be Jimmy Orrell of the University of Oregon, Eugene. Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday at the church by the Woman's Missionary Union of the local church.

Highlights of Saturday's program will be singing, testimonials, and roundtable discussions led by visiting youth leaders. Morris Takuchi, student at Oregon State college, will provide music and Jimmy Orrell will speak.

## New Members To Be Recognized Sunday

New members recently received into the church will be publicly recognized and welcomed at the Friends church Sunday during the two morning worship services, 9:45 and 11 a.m. Theme for Pastor Clayton Crisman's message will be "Responsibilities of Church Members." Music will be provided by the youth and adult choirs.

Sunday school will be held at 9:45 a.m. for children and adults, and at 11 a.m. for junior high through college age young people.

"Youth Under Orders", a message especially for young people, will be the topic of the pastor's message at 7:30 p.m., in observance of National Youth Week. There will be a brother-sister duet by Jerald and Wayne Brown, senior C. E. members.

Preceding the evening service, Christian Endeavor groups will meet at 6:30 p.m.

### SERMON SUBJECT

"Truth" will be the sermon subject Sunday at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 100 Windsor ave. The service is held at 11 a.m. and all are welcome to attend. Young people up to the age of 20 are invited to attend Sunday school.

## Westminster Group To Dedicate Church Sunday Afternoon

The Westminster Presbyterian church will dedicate its new building Sunday at its new building Sunday.

At the regular morning service, The Rev. J. Dwight Russell, executive of the Synod of Oregon, will occupy the pulpit. Mr. Russell was the pastor of the Westminster United Presbyterian church Salem, prior to being elected synod executive Sept. 1. He will be assisted during the service by the Rev. John O. Reynolds, organizing pastor.

The choir will sing "O Worship the Lord" and a children's sermon will be presented to the children between the ages of 5-10 who sit in the front rows of the church. Church school classes for all ages will be held in the Christian Education building of the church at 9:45 a.m.

The dedication service for the new building will be held Sunday at 4 p.m. Dr. D. Kirkland West of First Presbyterian church will speak on the subject "I Will Build My Church". Others participating in the service will be William O. Kurtz, Merrill, moderator of the Southwest Oregon Presbytery; the Rev. Burton Alvis, Portland, field director of the board of Christian education.

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## Episcopalians To Hear Student

Episcopalians will observe Theological Education Sunday, Jan. 24. Guest preacher at St. Mark's church will be Edgar G. Parrott, senior classman from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, Calif. He will preach at both the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services.

Mr. Parrott, the son of an Episcopal priest, is from the district of Spokane. A graduate of Whitman college, Mr. Parrott is an accomplished musician. During his seminary training he has served as organist-choir master at the Anglican church of St. Francis of Assisi, San Francisco.

Mr. Parrott, son of a long-time friend of the Rev. George R. V. Bolster, rector at St. Mark's, will be a guest at the rectory during his stay here.

An offering toward furthering theological education will be received. Funds raised at St. Mark's will be earmarked for the operating budget of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific.

## Gold Hill Church Plans Youth Choir

Gold Hill - A youth choir, including boys and girls of high school age is being organized by the Gold Hill Christian church, officials said. Miss Jean Cunningham, minister of the church, will direct the group which will meet each Thursday after school at the home of Mrs. Joe Kavaleski, pianist. The first practice was held Jan. 21.

The junior and intermediate classes of the Sunday school will hold the regular once a month social party at the church Saturday, Jan. 23 at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Rex Allison, acting superintendent of the Sunday school, said recognition will be given and prizes awarded to anyone who takes a visitor Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

"Insidious Evil" will be the sermon subject by Miss Jean Cunningham, minister of the church at the 11 a.m. worship service.

Bible study will be held Thursday evening. Further information may be had by telephoning either Mrs. Allison or Mrs. Leonard Andrews.

## Pilgrim Holiness to Host Missionaries

The Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Phillippe, missionaries on furlough from Barbados, British West Indies, will hold services at the Medford Pilgrim Holiness church, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

They will show pictures of their work in the field. Sunday at 11 a.m. they will be guest speakers during the worship hour.

Sunday a fellowship luncheon followed by a missionary service at 2:30 p.m. will be held and at 7:30 p.m. they will also speak.

The Phillippe's have been missionaries for several years.

## YMCA Sunday Includes Open House Here

The Medford YMCA will hold open-house Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. as a climax to week-long activities in connection with national YMCA Week.

Many churches of the Medford area will cooperate with the local YMCA in proclaiming YMCA Sunday in the churches. Bulletins to be used as inserts in regular church bulletins have been made available by the local YMCA.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Medford, now in its 16th year of serving men and women, boys and girls, and family groups, seeks the cooperation of ministers and church laymen in establishing Christian objectives and keeping the YMCA movement a vital spiritual force.

Brotherhood - Many members learn the meaning of Christian brotherhood and understanding for the first time as they associate with church people in YMCA programs. Parishioners find opportunity to work for the common good of the community and for each other in facilities adopted for youth club work, physical education, hobbies and crafts, camping, and family recreation. Church groups are organized in athletic leagues and tournaments where the need is expressed.

The Medford YMCA board of directors, wishing to pronounce and strengthen the church - YMCA relationship, have asked the local churches to especially remember their work on this Sunday.

Ashtland - "Interruptions" will be the sermon topic Sunday for both the 9:45 and 11 a.m. worship services at First Presbyterian church, North Main and Helman sts. The Rev. B. J. Holland, minister, will speak.

Central Point - Following the worship service at First Presbyterian church, Oak at First sts., a potluck dinner will be held. It will precede the annual congregational meeting.

During the meeting church officers will be elected and reports given of the church's activities during the past year.

The new adult class under the leadership of Mrs. Zelma Foote will meet at 9:45 a.m. Sunday. At 7 p.m. the Westminster Fellowship will meet with the Jacksonville young people.

Sunday, Jan. 31, the Lord's Supper will be served during the 11 a.m. service.

Jacksonville - The Rev. King K. Jones of First Presbyterian church will speak Sunday on "The Dismal Day." The choir will sing, "All the Way."

The Jacksonville Westminster Fellowship will be hosts for the Westminster Fellowship of Central Point Sunday at 7 p.m. The young people will be in charge of the program. All high school students are welcome.

There will be no Junior High Fellowship meeting.

Wednesday at 7 p.m. the entire Sunday School will meet at the church to travel to Ashland for a Sunday School skating party. Any adults interested in the skating party are invited.

Phoenix - Services at the Phoenix First Presbyterian church will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday with the Rev. William Saladin giving the sermon.

Sunday school for both adults and children will be held at 10 a.m.

Saturday, a musical workshop will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Medford First Presbyterian church. Those interested in attending should call Shirley Hackett, new Sunday school superintendent, at KEystone 5-2043. All those interested in any field of music are welcome. The charge will pay for lunch and nursery.

Friday Bible study sessions are held each week at the Manse starting at 7:30 p.m.

## Revival Planned at First Assembly Here

The Rev. Ronald Prinzing, Eugene evangelist, will start a series of revival meetings at First Assembly of God, 1108 West Main st., according to the pastor, the Rev. R. E. Cull.

Mr. Prinzing will speak at both the 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. services on Sunday and will conduct revival meetings Tuesday through Friday of next week at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Prinzing, vocal soloist, will sing at each service.

Monday, Jan. 25, at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Prinzing will be guest speaker at a Christ Ambassadors youth rally to be held at Ashland Assembly of God, 485 Siskiyou blvd. Youth delegations from Assembly of God churches in the Rogue valley section plan to attend the rally.

The public is invited to all services.

### CENTRAL POINT TOPICS

Central Point-Mr. Jean M. Shelley, minister of Church of Christ, Third and Oak sts., will speak Sunday at 10:45 a.m. on "The Bible and How To Present It." At 7:30 p.m. Sunday he will speak on "The Divine Plan."

ASHLAND SERMON - Ashland-The Rev. Albert R. Nickodemus, pastor of Grace Lutheran church, Frances lane, will speak Sunday on "Do You Depend on Miracles?" at the 11 a.m. worship service.

## Last in Sermon Series Sunday at Presbyterian

The concluding sermon on the Apostles' Creed, "I Believe in the Church" will be given by Dr. D. Kirkland West at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

At the early service Westminster choir will sing, "I Bind My Heart This Tide" and the chancel choir will be heard in the anthem, "My Eternal King" at the 11 a.m. service. Miss Shirley Satterfield will sing, "The Voice in The Wilderness" at both services Sunday morning.

Junior High Fellowship will meet Sunday at 5 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Marin, 186 Myers lane, for a fireside fellowship. Dr. West will lead the program which will be a discussion of the topic, "Secret Discipleship." Refreshments will be served.

Westminster Fellowship for Senior High young people will be held at the church Sunday at 7 p.m. The meeting "Make A Joyful Noise" will be led by Lynn Sjolund and will be followed by fire-side at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Harris, 707 South Oakdale ave.

Westminster Fellowship Youth night will be held at the church Wednesday, Jan. 27. Choir practice will begin at 5:15 p.m. with potluck supper at 6 p.m. and Bible study following the meal.

Geneva Fellowship will meet Friday at 6:30 a.m. at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. J. Robert Jacks, 649 J st. All post-high school young people are invited to attend the breakfast and Bible study.

Friday, Jan. 29, the Senior Highs will leave from the church at 8 p.m. to go to Kaituma for the winter retreat. Dr. West will lead the discussion and study Friday night and the Rev. John Reynolds and the Rev. Bob Jacks will lead Saturday devotions and Bible study. There will be skiing for those who wish, and tobogganing and other games as well. The group will return Saturday afternoon. Call the church office for further details.

Men's Fellowship To Meet Tuesday - The Men's Fellowship of the First Church of the Nazarene, 520 North Holly st., will meet Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m. for their monthly dinner fellowship.

Guest speaker will be Carlos Morris, local funeral director and weather broadcast announcer on KBES-TV. He will speak concerning his daily meteorological studies and presentation. A devotional will be given by one of the group and music also provided. Ticket costs for the meal may be secured at the church office.

The Rev. Harold M. Sanner, pastor of the church will continue the series of messages Sunday at 7 p.m. on "Acts of the Spirit Filled." His message for the 11 a.m. service which is broadcast over KDOV will be "Living the Life."

Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. with departments being held for all persons, nursery age through adult age. Youth groups meet at 6 p.m. and the young adult department will give the program Sunday night for the combined youth groups, including the Hi-N-Y or the teen-age department.

Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. the pastor will begin a series of studies on Christian Service Training, the subject being stewardship and the text being used, "My Gold and God" written by Dr. Earl C. Wolf of Kansas City, Mo. This service is open to the public and the texts can be secured at the church.

"God's Will" To Be Sermon Subjects - Dr. George G. Roseberry, minister of First Methodist church, will preach a two sermon series Jan. 24 and 31. Topics will be "Learning God's Will Through Cooperation" and "Learning God's Will Through Prayer."

"Africa on the Move" is the subject for discussion Sunday evening with Mrs. Bernice Kunzman as the master of ceremonies.

Walter Higgins is the chairman of the School of Missions session that begins at 5:30 p.m. The panel members are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jewett, Al Minshall and Ed Hass. The snack supper will feature the kinds of food served in Africa.

"New Faces of Africa" will be the film shown during the Inspiration hour. The children's sessions will see the "Tumba of Africa" in colored slide pictures during their study session. The public is invited to attend.

Methodist Men will meet with a dinner meeting at noon Jan. 28 when the Rev. Robert Dowrey will speak.

## Sunday in Talent Starts Youth Week

Talent - Members of the Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship will conduct the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday at Talent Methodist church, First and Wagner sts., in recognition of youth week.

The Rev. Earnest R. Bell, minister, will give the sermon and participating in the service will be Terry Hanson, scripture reading; Diane Carter and April Burnette, music; Michael Olson, David Conner and Ernest McCasland, offering; James Bench, Terry Reichstein, and John Morrison, ushers; and Susann Haydock, prayer. Other members of the group are Starlene Wilkins and Glen McCasland.

## Budget Adopted By Presbyterians At Annual Meet

At the congregational meeting Wednesday evening at the First Presbyterian church, the congregation adopted for the fourth year in a row the goal of 50 per cent for benevolences and 50 per cent for current expenses.

This means that in addition to the \$56,000 voted for current expenses, an identical sum will be spent in various benevolent projects of the church throughout the world.

The Medford church is one of the few of the 8,500 Presbyterian churches which gives more to benevolences than it spends on itself. In this year \$56,000 was spent for local expenses and \$63,000 for benevolences.

At the meeting the congregation elected the following as elder-trustees: Mrs. Grover Corum, George Flanagan, Oliver Gustafson, Mrs. D. W. Husband, James Johnston, Ward Lampkin, Mrs. Carl Licht, Max Priebe, and Lynn Sjolund. Deacons elected were Jack Dumas, Floyd Eastwood, Murray Gardner, Jack Lynch, Mrs. O. A. Martolin, Mrs. George Osler and Robert Stokes.

George Witter presented the annual report and Otto Frohnmayer presided at the time of the adoption of the budget for the ensuing year. Robert Brewer was the stated clerk of the meeting.

A quartet composed of Lynn Sjolund, the Rev. Bob Jacks, Ray Konopsek, and John Frohnmayer participated in the service.

The service was closed with the showing of the movie, "For God's Glory."

## Second in Series Sunday at Eastwood

"The Mystery of Fading Influence," the second sermon in a series on "Stewards of the Mysteries" will be given Sunday at 10:45 a.m. by the Rev. Clifford J. Young, pastor of Eastwood Baptist church.

At 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mr. Young will continue his class on "The New Life." The subject will be "Grow in the New Life."

The Baptist Youth Fellowship will be at 6 p.m. with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Bucher as guest sponsors.

At the 7:30 p.m. service, the pastor's message will be "The Marriage Feast." Monday, Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m. the advisory board will meet. Tuesday, Jan. 26, is church visitation night.

Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Young will begin a study of the Life of Christ according to the Gospel of Luke. At 8:30 p.m. the chancel choir will rehearse.

Thursday night has been designated as Youth-Parent night when young people and their parents will meet for an evening together.

Saturday, Jan. 30, the Builders' class is sponsoring an All-Church Mexican dinner. Proceeds will go to the Youth Mexico trip fund.

## Potluck Dinner Planned in Gold Hill

Gold Hill - A potluck supper will be held at the Gold Hill Community Methodist church, Sunday, at 6 p.m. Mrs. Donald Meister is chairman for the affair, to which everyone is invited. Following the meal a film, "End to Darkness," will be shown.

Instead of the regular Bible study at 7:30 p.m. that day the last two chapters of the book "The Way in Africa" will be discussed with Mrs. E. C. Hoffman in charge. The church wide study of Africa during January was sponsored by the commission on missions of the church of which Mrs. Roy Eskew is chairman.

The Intermediate Methodist Youth Fellowship which meets each Sunday at 5:30 p.m. under the leadership of Mrs. Kermit Bickle will be in charge of decorations for the family potluck supper Sunday.

"One Thing Missing" will be the title for the sermon Sunday, at 11 a.m. by the Rev. O. L. Kendal, pastor of the church.

Mrs. C. Norman Gail, choir director, announced that there will be a music selection during the worship service.

## Unity Center of Medford

Unity Center of Medford, 995 South Oakdale. Affiliated Unity School of Christianity, Lee's Summit, Mo. Midweek Devotional and Healing Service - every Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Study class every Friday - 11:00 a.m. at 995 South Oakdale. Regular Sunday Devotional Services - 11:00 a.m. Regular Sunday Y.O.U. PYTHIAN HALL, 8th and Grape sts. Center Open Daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Prayer Ministry and Counseling by Appointment. Rev. Katherine Bosworth, Minister. Office SP 2-6902

## First Presbyterian Church

8th & Holly • Phone SP 2-2830 Dr. D. Kirkland West, Pastor. A cordial welcome awaits you Sunday morning. Services 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Church school classes for all ages 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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"God Cares For Me" will be the sermon subject Sunday at the Zion Lutheran church, Fourth st. and Oakdale ave., by the Rev. H. C. Covert, minister.

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