

Religious Activities Of Week End Told By Valley Catholics

Roman Catholics of the Medford area are joining Catholics throughout the world today in the solemn liturgical observance of Christ's Passion and Death on the cross, the first and sorrowful climax toward which all the Lenten services have been building.

The Mass of the Presanctified, so-called because the Holy Communion distributed on this day was consecrated at the Holy Thursday mass, is scheduled to begin at 7:30 o'clock in Sacred Heart church.

Preceding the distribution of Holy Communion, the history of the Lord's Passion and Death will be told through readings from the Old Testament and the Gospel of John. The solemn prayers for the needs of all men will be recited; and the "Reproaches," quoting Psalm 135, will be sung during the adoration of the cross which has been covered since Passion Sunday and is now unveiled to reveal the Crucified Christ.

Organs Silenced
All bells and organs are silenced until the Gloria of the first Easter mass to emphasize sorrow and desolation. All hymns and responses will be sung unaccompanied by a choir.

Following these Good Friday services the church will remain bare and the altars stripped and no ceremonies will take place until the beginning of the Easter Vigil at 11 p.m. on Saturday.

The Easter Vigil is the most solemn and significant of all the Roman church liturgy, and in it the climax of the Lenten observance is reached. The core of all Roman Catholic belief is expressed in the ceremonies of this Vigil.

Easter Vigil
The three parts of the Easter Vigil will include the light service, with the blessing of the new fire, the blessing of the Easter candle, the solemn procession and lighting of the people's candles, and the singing of the Exultet, the liturgical Easter song praising the risen Christ; the baptismal service with its reading of the Old Testament lessons, the blessing of the baptismal water, the renewal of baptismal vows, and the chanting of the Litany of the Saints.

The third part of the Easter Vigil is the Eucharistic service, the first mass of Easter day, which will begin at about midnight. Once again the bells and the organ are used, and the Alleluias are added to the prayers and responses to signify joy.

The Easter Vigil and mass is concluded with the recitation of the "hour" of Lauds, the official morning prayer of the church, in thanksgiving and praise for Christ's resurrection.

Unified Service At 1st Nazarene

Easter Sunday morning services at the First Church of the Nazarene, 520 North Holly st., will be unified. The Sunday school hour and morning worship service will start at 9:45 a.m.

The annual Easter program this year will be presented by the junior department of the Sunday school which is a pageant titled "Faith is the Victory." The morning worship service will be in conjunction with this program and begin at 11 a.m.

The sanctuary choir will sing "King of Kings," led by Mrs. Joe Johnson, director. The subject for the Easter message to be given by the pastor, the Rev. Harold M. Sanner, is "Rolling Tomstones." During the course of the morning service, the annual offering for world missions is to be received. The worship service is broadcast over KDOV, the latter portion of which will be presented by the church choir.

The 44 voice sanctuary choir will present an Easter cantata, "No Greater Love." This service will be held at 7 p.m. with Mrs. Joe Johnson directing. The pastor will give the scriptural narration.

Eastwood Baptists Plan Two Services

Easter Sunday the Eastwood Baptist church will hold two services. At the 8:30 a.m. service the Rev. Clifford Young, will speak on "Through Death, To Life." The primary and junior choirs of the church will sing.

At 10:45 a.m. the pastor will speak on "Conquering Tears and Fears." The chancel choir will sing, "I Know My Redeemer Liveth."

The Baptist Youth Fellowship will meet at 6 p.m.

At the 7:30 p.m. service the pastor will speak on the theme, "What Happened to the Body of Jesus?"

The pastor will begin a new pastor's class on the theme, "The New Life," during the church school hour at 9:30 a.m.

A service of baptism is being arranged for Easter.

The monthly church school teachers' conference will be held April 18 at the church, Wednesday, April 20, the pastor will resume his studies in Luke's Life of Christ at 7:30 p.m. At 8:30 p.m. the chancel choir will meet.

Thursday, April 21, is the meeting night of church boards and the advisory council.

Pastoral Message Topic Announced

"Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews" will be the topic of the pastoral message at 11 a.m. Easter Sunday at the First Church of God, Haven and Holly sts., according to pastor, the Rev. W. E. Martin.

The junior choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Doris Paul will sing "For God, So Loved the World." The adult choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Glenn McCullough, will present the Easter song "He Is Risen" and a ladies quartet will sing "For All My Sins."

The Easter program, a pageant, entitled "The Easter Light" will be presented during the 7:30 p.m. service, under the direction of Mrs. Cora Noss. The pageant will include groups from each age group of the Sunday school. Music and lighting effects will be used.

Talent Topic

Talent - A. Clark Smith, pastor of Talent Friends church, will speak Sunday at 11 a.m. on "An Appointment." The Easter program will be given at 10 a.m.



THE LAST SUPPER-Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" stained glass window at Memory Gardens park may be viewed Easter week end from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m., according to William Ferris, manager. The memorial building at the park which houses the reproduction will be open today, Saturday, and Sunday during those hours. The presentation lasts about 20 minutes, Ferris said, and will begin on the hour and half hour. During each presentation the story of the painting and of The Last Supper will be given. An increase in visitors at the park to view the window was noted during Holy Week, according to Ferris.

He added that for the convenience of groups wishing to see the windows, appointments may be made by telephoning him at Spring 3-7338. All day Easter stereophonic recordings of Fred Waring's "The Songs of Easter" and Handel's Messiah "The Easter Music" by the New York Philharmonic orchestra will be played in the Chapel of Memories for visitors waiting to attend the next showing. Other weeks of the year the reproduction may be seen daily from 2 to 4 p.m. or by special appointment.

Congregational Plans Egg Hunt; Two Services

Easter services at the Congregational church will be at 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Church school also meets at 9:30 instead of the usual 9:45. The earlier hour is in order to make time for the annual egg hunt for the children which will be held following the church school session at approximately 10:30 a.m.

The sermon by the Rev. Thomas McCamant at both services will be on "Christ for Today." The adult choir will sing "The Holy City" and Carroll Graber will sing "Consider the Lilies" at both hours. The junior choir will sing "Sunrise on a Hill" for the church school at the first hour and for the church service at the second. Both choirs are directed by Carroll Graber, with Mrs. O. C. Failing as the organist.

Hide Eggs
The Pilgrim Fellowship plan to attend the Easter Sunrise service at 6 a.m. at Hunter's Hill, then go to the church to hide eggs. They also plan to meet at 7 p.m.

The Laymen's breakfast will be held Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. with Gaylord Hay as the discussion leader. It will be based on John 14.

The church will continue to hold two services through Mother's Day. On these remaining three Sundays the hours will be 9:45 and 11 a.m.

Identical Services At First Christian

Identical services will be held at the 8:30 and 10:55 a.m. worship services at the First Christian church Sunday. The Rev. Fredrick Ross Evans will preach on the subject "Precious Last Words."

Mrs. Ralph Matlack will sing "O Divine Redeemer" with a violin obligato played by Mrs. Ronald W. Bartlett. The chancel choir will present the anthem "Sing Alleluia Forth."

Mrs. Wayne Troxell, Mrs. Paul Warren and Mrs. Paul Andrews will be hostesses for the coffee hour following the second service.

The Chi Rho and Christian Youth Fellowship will participate in the Easter Sunrise services sponsored by the Interdenominational Youth Council. After the services they will meet at the church for an Easter breakfast. They will not have any meetings in the evening.

The elders of the church will hold their monthly meeting at the Wayne Wakefield home Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Both Mr. Evans and Mr. McKerrrow will attend a ministers' retreat the first part of the week at Menucha on the Columbia river. Mr. McKerrrow will go from there to Portland where he will attend a conference of Youth Leaders.

Unity Topic Announced For Sunday Morning

"Christ is Risen in You Today" will be the Easter service topic Sunday at the 11 a.m. Unity meeting at the Pythian hall, Fifth and Grape sts. The Rev. Katharine Bosworth, minister, will speak.

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First Methodists Announce Community Easter Service

The fourth annual community Easter service will be held Sunday in the Medford High school auditorium by the First Methodist church at 11 a.m.

Dr. George G. Roseberry, pastor, will speak on "The Triumph That Is Easter." The combined choir of 50 voices will sing.

Easter services will begin with an 8 a.m. service at First Methodist with the youth choir singing two anthems. The combined choirs will sing at a 9:30 a.m. service at the church. They will sing "Untold, Ye Portals" and "Easter Light" under the direction of Mrs. Charles Adamson. Dr. Roseberry will also preach at these two services.

The altar at each service will be decorated with memorial lilies that are given by members and friends of the church.

There will be an Easter service at 4 p.m. for church membership and the baptismal services for adults, children and babies. Mrs. Milton Snow will sing "That Sweet Story."

The board of trustees meets at 7 a.m. for a breakfast meeting at Town House cafe Tuesday and the official board will meet at the church at 7:45 p.m. The Methodist Men meet Thursday noon with the Rev. Robert Dowrey as speaker.

Choral Eucharist Planned For Sunday at St. Mark's

Easter Sunday will be marked by traditional observances at St. Mark's Episcopal church.

The Choral Eucharist will be held at 11 a.m. at Gounod's setting to the holy communion. It will be sung by the senior choir under the direction of John Drysdale with Mrs. Ernest C. Conrad at the organ.

The Rev. George R. V. Bolster, rector, will present the Easter sermon. The service will include the Introit "Open The Gates Of The Temple" and the anthem "King of Kings," together with hymns of the resurrection.

The order for this service will be the same as the 6:30 a.m. sunrise service with the exception of no sermon at the earlier service.

The Family Eucharist service will be held at 9 a.m. with St. Mark's Choristers leading the music under the direction of Mrs. Ann Wirkkula with Miss Julianne Yoakley at the console.

Easter Carol
The Easter carol will be sung as an anthem with traditional hymns during holy communion. The Rev. Duane S. Alvord will be the preacher.

Geneva Players To Give Play Tonight

The Geneva Players of First Presbyterian church, under the direction of the Rev. Robert Jacks, will present the play, "Christ in the Concrete City," at First Baptist church, North Central ave. and Fifth st. tonight at 7:45 o'clock.

The author of the play, Philip W. Turner, has endeavored to set forth dramatically the meaning of the Passion in words and images understandable by the ordinary people of a modern industrial city.

Young people who compose the Geneva Players are Joel Gregory, John Lacy, David Irving, Deanne Taylor, and Molly Barker. Miss Joyce Pearson is producer for the drama; Dick Corum, associate producer; John Frohnmayer, business manager; and Gary Milne, lighting director.

The public is invited to the service.

SALE RUMMAGE

The Youth Fellowship of EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH would appreciate your donations for their rummage sale SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 9:00 to 4:30 in the Fohl Bldg., 108 N. Ivy. CALL EITHER SP 3-2576 or 3-5952

Three Churches Tell Activities For Week End

Central Point—Two services will be held Easter at First Presbyterian church. The Rev. Robert Bridge, interim pastor, will speak on "The First Easter, Morning and Evening."

A nursery will be maintained for pre-school children during both services.

Presbyterial will meet in Klamath Falls April 19 and 20. A congregational meeting will be held Sunday, April 24, immediately after the morning worship service.

Jacksonville—Sunday school at First Presbyterian church will present an Easter program at 9:45 p.m. with all classes participating. Parents are invited to attend.

The worship service will begin at 11 a.m. The Rev. King K. Jones, minister, will preach on the topic "Don't Trip, Running." The junior choir will combine with the adult choir to sing "The Song of the Resurrection" and Mrs. Dave Allen will sing "Easter Morn." The sacrament of infant baptism will be administered during the service.

At 7 p.m. the Jacksonville Westminster Fellowship will meet in the church to consider some of the historical evidences which confirm Presbyterian beliefs in the resurrection.

Monday at 7 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Keaveny, the Junior High Fellowship will meet to continue its study of the church. The program will be led by Sidney Conden and Becky Starnes.

Phoenix—"Because He Lives" will be the Easter Sunday topic at First Presbyterian church by the Rev. William Saladin at 11 a.m. Music will include "The Holy City," a solo; and two choir numbers, "Singing Hallelujah," and "The Heavens Are Telling."

An Easter offering has been authorized by the session. Envelopes will be available Sunday, Easter lilies are to be taken to the church early Sunday morning for church decorations.

The King's Men's meeting has been changed from April 19 to April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor.

Schedule Change Told for St. Luke's

Both the Sunday school session and the Easter worship service will begin 15 minutes earlier than the usual schedule Sunday. They will be held at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m., respectively.

The Rev. Melvin Dixon, minister, will preach the sermon on the subject "When Hope Breaks into Song." The choir will sing the anthem, "The Song of the Resurrection."

The sacrament of baptism will be administered to children, and membership candidates will be received into the church. Nursery care for pre-school children will be provided during the service.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet at the church at 5:30 a.m. to go to the Interdenominational Youth Easter Sunrise service on Hueners Butte to be followed by a breakfast for St. Luke's youth at 7:15 a.m. at the church.

Wednesday the choir meets for rehearsal at 7:15 p.m. and the pastor leads inquirer's class at 8 p.m.

St. Luke's church is located at 2940 Siskiyou blvd., across the street from the Hoover Elementary school. The public is invited to the services.

SERMON SUBJECT

"Doctrine of Atonement" 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.

JACKSONVILLE SPEAKER

Jacksonville - The Rev. John Weaver will be guest speaker Sunday at the Village church, across from the Jacksonville museum, at 10 a.m.

EASTER SERVICES
Sunday Morning at 11 A.M.
Prelude: "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" by 36-Piece Orchestra
"Easter Morning" by 60-Voice Mixed Chorus
EASTER SERMON
Sunday Night at 8 P.M.
60-voice Chorus presents — John W. Peterson's cantata "NO GREATER LOVE" portraying the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in Scripture, music, and song, accompanied by pipe organ and piano.
Good Friday service tonight, 8 p.m.
APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH
3rd and Central — Loyce C. Carver, Pastor

Good Friday Services Set Tonight in Medford and Near by Communities

Several Medford and county churches have scheduled Good Friday services this evening.

At Apostolic Faith church, Third st. and Central ave., the male chorus of 22 voices will open the service at 8 o'clock singing, "In the Garden," with violin obligato by Deana Brown.

Philadelphia church, 1851 Grandview ave., will hold their services at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. Thomas White, pastor, will speak on "The Reproach of the Cross." The Lord's supper will conclude the service.

Also at 7:30 o'clock Good Friday service will be conducted at St. Peter's Lutheran church. The Rev. John Simon, pastor, will preach on "The Mighty Results of Jesus' Death." The church is located at East Main st. and Vancouver ave.

Butte Falls Service
At the Butte Falls Assembly of God, Good Friday services will begin at 7:30 o'clock. Communion will be included in the service to begin at 7 o'clock at Central Point First Presbyterian church.

The churches in Jacksonville will hold a community Good Friday service at 7:30 o'clock. The service will be held in the First Presbyterian church, with the Assembly of God and the Village church also participating in the service.

Meditations on the seven last words of Christ will be given by Fred Burehling, the Rev. Elwood Irby, and the Rev. King K. Jones.

Music will include a solo by Mrs. Rafe Anders, "Alone Upon the Hill," a duet by Mrs. Loren Severson and Miss Doris Wall, "Alone," and a trio by Mrs. Lee Harter, Mrs. John McCormack and Mrs. Lester Merriman, "It's More Than a Dream." The Presbyterian church choir will sing the anthem "O Cross Upon Mount Calvary."

Phoenix Community
The community service in Phoenix will be held at the First Presbyterian church with all churches in the community participating.

Activities Told For Gold Hill Methodist Sunday

Gold Hill—"The End That Never Came" will be the Easter sermon subject by the Rev. O. L. Kendall, pastor of the Gold Hill Community Methodist church, Sunday, at 11 a.m.

"Come Christians Join and Sing, Alleluia" will be sung by the church directed by Mrs. C. Norman Gail. Mrs. John Bruce will be organist. "He Is Risen" will be the processional.

The worship hour will also include a vocal number entitled "In The End Of The Sabbath," which will be sung by the church trio, including Mrs. Gail, Mrs. Paul Molloy and Mrs. Roy Eskew, with Mrs. Bruce at the organ.

Film Set
"Day of Wonder" will be the title of a film that will be shown during the church school hour Sunday at 9:45 a.m., according to Mrs. Paul Molloy, superintendent of the church school. She said there will be an Easter program consisting of recitations and instrumental numbers. And a play "Easter Plans" will be a featured part of the services with Toni Morrow, William Stanton and Julie Stanton participating.

The Bible study lesson third chapter of Timothy will be led by Mrs. Ferd Jones, Sunday, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

The Intermediate Methodist Fellowship will meet under the direction of Mrs. Kermit Bickle at 5:30 p.m. Sunday and the Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship group directed by Mrs. George T. Allen will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Ascension Lutheran Tells Sunday Events

The Rev. Elvin S. Tolleson, pastor of Ascension Lutheran church, will speak Sunday at the 11 a.m. worship service on "The Triumph of Easter."

An a cappella chorus under the direction of Dr. Justin Dyrud will sing "Christ The Lord Is Risen Again." Richard Melum will sing "Open the Gates of the Temple." Roy Gilbertson will be organist.

During the Sunday school hour at 9:45 a.m. children will hold a processional to the chancel with flowers to build a cross. The flowers will then be carried out to where the flowered cross will be placed in front of the large lawn cross.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

1056 Court Street
Medford, Oregon

"COME AS YOU ARE; STAY IN YOUR CAR"

TO THE

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES

AT

STARLITE DRIVE-IN THEATRE

South Pacific Highway
6:00 a.m.
Sponsored by: St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Medford
Speaker: The Rev. John E. Simon

OR

LITHIA DRIVE-IN THEATRE

Talent-Ashland
6:00 a.m.
Sponsored by: Grace Lutheran Church, Ashland
Speaker: The Rev. Albert Nickodemus

Friends Church Schedules Three Services Sunday

Three identical worship services will be held at the Friends church Easter Sunday at 8:30, 9:45 and 11 a.m.

At each service there will be an anthem by the choir, solo, "The Holy City," by Stanley Perisho, and message by the pastor, "Our Resurrected Lord." Nursery care will be provided during the three worship hours.

There will be Easter observances in the opening assemblies of all departments of the Sunday school. Classes will be held as usual, with children and adults meeting at 9:45 a.m. and young people from seventh grade through college age meeting at 11 a.m. Junior church for first to third graders will be held at 11 a.m. also.

The church choir will present the cantata, "The Cross Triumphant," by Ira B. Wilson, at 7:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Mrs. Claude Lewis is director, and Mrs. Kenneth Boshears, organist.

Cantata Planned by Central Point Group

Central Point - The Easter choir cantata, "No Greater Love" will be presented Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Bible Church, Fourth and Alder sts.

The cantata will be sung by the adult and junior choirs. The adult choir is under the direction of Mrs. Paul Kroon and accompanied by Miss Dorothy Lawton at the piano and Mrs. Joanne Sousa at the organ. The junior choir is under the direction of Mrs. Sousa and accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Kroon.

The Scripture readings throughout the cantata will be read by the Rev. Lewis Collins.

The Law of the Lord

Law has been defined as a rule of action. Our God is a God of law, and everything in our world is governed by some kind of law. Likewise God has ordained that the spiritual realm be governed by law.

We read in Ps. 19:7, "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." Since the law is perfect, men cannot improve upon it. We read in 2 Peter 1:3, "His divine power has given all things that pertain unto life and godliness." Paul testifies in 2 Tim. 3:16-17 that all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and that through the Holy Scriptures the man of God is completely furnished unto every good work. Jude wrote, "Content earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints." (Jude 3.) Paul pronounced a curse on any man or even an angel who would dare preach any other gospel than that which he preached. Gal. 1:8, "So God's perfect law—his only, complete, and final revelation—is found in the Bible. Therefore, we must reject the opinions of men as authoritative guides in religion, as well as the claims of modern prophets that the Lord has spoken through them to reveal things in addition to that which is already revealed in his perfect law." (Continued)

We Cordially Invite You...
EASTER SERVICE
Sermon: "Precious Last Words"
Morning Worship Services
8:30 a.m. and 10:55 a.m.
Fred Evans, Glenn McKerrrow, Ministers
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
9TH AND OAKDALE

COMBINED SERVICE
Central Point - Sunday school and worship service at Pilgrim Holiness church, Pine at Sixth sts., will be combined for an Easter service from 9:45 through 11:15 a.m. Sunday, according to the pastor, the Rev. Clarence Jackson. Mr. Jackson will give the message.

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For Holy Week and Easter Services at the above churches, please see your newspaper or phone SP 2-2847 or SP 2-4395 (Medford) or MU 2-3711 or MU 9-1781 (Ashland).