

Groundbreaking Ceremonies Planned by First Christians

Members of the First Christian church will go to the site of their new building on Crater Lake ave., immediately after the 10:55 a.m. worship service Sunday for groundbreaking ceremonies.

Wayne Wakefield, chairman of the church board and of the building committee, will give a brief resume of the building program and then turn the first spadeful of dirt.

Mrs. Ralph Matlack will sing "We Would Be Building." Others to participate in the ceremony will be Monte Cook, president of the Christian Youth Fellowship; Herbert Osborn, chairman of the elders and the two ministers, the Rev. Fredrick Ross Wagner and the Rev. Wendell Wagner.

All people who have been members for 30 years or more are especially invited to attend. Transportation will be provided for any who need it.

Mr. Evans will preach at both services Sunday morning on "Too Little Too Late." The youth choir will sing at the first service. The chancel choir will sing "Beloved, If God So Loved Us" at the 10:55 a.m. service.

Assistants To Speak Sunday For Presbyterians

Dr. Tom McNeil, assistant pastor of First Presbyterian church, Eighth and Holly sts., will continue the sermon series on "The Spirit of Fellowship Sunday with 'The Cross.'" The chancel choir will be heard in a traditional English anthem, "Jacob's Vision."

Sunday Youth Fellowship will meet at the church at 7 p.m. to hear a discussion of the Young Life program by Bob Russell, director. Fire-side will be announced.

District Sessions Set by Nazarenes Near Clackamas

The annual district assembly, missionary convention, and campmeeting for the Oregon Pacific District Church of the Nazarene under the direction of Dr. W. D. McGraw, district superintendent, will convene next week at the Clackamas campground near Portland.

Dr. Samuel Young, general superintendent of the denomination from Kansas City, Mo., will preside at the assembly which is held July 17 to 19. Guest speaker for the missionary convention, which convenes Friday afternoon and continues through Saturday evening, will be Paul Orjala, missionary from Haiti.

Delegates to these conventions from the local First Church of the Nazarene are Mr. and Mrs. Perry Christiansen, Mrs. Ella Herman, Mrs. Kenneth Laurance, Mrs. Lowell Shepard, Mrs. O. L. Tompkins, Mrs. J. A. Larson, Mrs. Clarence Starkey, Miss Carol Harris, Mrs. Roger Kornstad, Cheryl Stewart and Sue Myers. Heads of departments are members of the assembly by virtue of their office and include Bill Brewster, Warren Cole and Mrs. F. A. Monroe. The Rev. and Mrs. Harold M. Sanner, pastors of the church, will also attend.

Westminster Plan Activities

John C. Evans, summer assistant, will preach at Westminster Presbyterian church at the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday.

His sermon, "The Old But the New Book" will be a brief review of the Biblical tradition throughout our church's life. The underlying thesis will be that the Bible does speak to contemporary man in his contemporary society. Otis Swisher, tenor, will sing "Brother James Air."

Church school classes will be held at 9:45 a.m. for all ages of children and youth. Adults who take children to church school are invited to attend the adult study class in the pastor's office. This group is studying the first five chapters in the Book of Acts.

First Methodists Plan Activities

Dr. George Roseberry, Minister of First Methodist church will preach on "The Conflict of Loyalties" at both worship services Sunday.

The youth choir will sing "Give Me This Day" at the 9:30 a.m. service and Mrs. Howard Bush will sing "The Ninety-First Psalm" at the 11 a.m. service.

The College Age Fellowship will meet at the church at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Verne Wilson will review the book "None Shall Make Them Afraid" by Rodney Shaw. The group will go to the Youth center after the program for refreshments and recreation.

Assemblies of God Open Youth Camp

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Christian Science Lesson Topic Told

Freedom from enslavement of every kind is available through spiritual understanding of the mighty power of God. This will be the theme of the lesson-sermon Sunday entitled "God" at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 100 Windsor ave.

Bible readings for the 11 a.m. lesson-sermon will include the verse Revelation 11:17.

Young people up to the age of 20 are invited to attend Sunday school. All are invited to attend the services.

Guest Speakers To Be at 1st Assembly

The Rev. Edward Cole, youth camp evangelist from Santa Cruz, Calif., will be guest speaker at First Assembly of God, 1108 West Main st., Sunday at 11 a.m.

Sunday at 7:30 p.m., the Rev. C. G. Roberts, Oroville, Calif., will speak at an evangelistic service. Instrumental and vocal numbers have been arranged for both services.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Cull, pastors, are currently participating in the youth camp activities near Butte Falls.

Southern Baptists List Sermon Topic

"Overcoming Temptation" will be the subject the Rev. G. O. Skaar, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, will have for his sermon Sunday morning.

Song service will begin at 10:45 a.m. with Dennis Samples conducting. The adult choir will sing.

Guest speaker for the evening service will be the Rev. Tom Balch, student at Southern Oregon college. The Youth choir will sing.

Mr. Skaar reports a good attendance at the music school which has been held at the church the past week, Monday through Friday. Miss Carlene Pennel has been the instructor. A total of about 50 persons have been enrolled.

Miss Pennel will leave Saturday for Glenwood, Wash., to conduct a music school in the Baptist church there and will continue in the same line of work in various churches of the Oregon Washington convention for the rest of the summer, returning to her home in Vandallia, Mo. in September.

Youth in Crime To Be Subject

The increase of youth crime in America will be discussed Sunday by the Rev. L. Owen Wheeler, chief chaplain of the Juvenile Crime Prevention bureau, under the auspices of the American Christian Crusade, Inc. He will appear at the Foursquare church, 2200 Roberts rd., at 7:30 p.m.

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Unity - Corner Holly and Haven Streets

Corner Holly and Haven Streets
Affiliated With Unity School of Christianity, Lee's Summit, Mo.
REV. KATHARINE BOSWORTH, Minister
Worship Hour—11:15 a.m.
"The Law of Sowing and Reaping"
Proverbs 11:24
Sunday School, Youth of Unity, Adult Bible Class 9:45 a.m.
Office open daily Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
995 S. Oakdale Ave. — Phone 772-6902
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

CRATER LAKE
Community bldg. at rim near lodge
Ronald M. Johnson, student minister
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.—Sunday school, 10 a.m.—Morning worship, 7 p.m.—Evening worship
Tuesday: 10 a.m.—Bible school, 7 p.m.—Worship, Mazama campground

OREGON CAVES
Campfire site at Chaiet
Walter P. Parry, student minister
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.—Service

PROSPECT
Community hall
Wm. William McLeod
Sunday: 3 p.m.—Mass

DIAMOND LAKE
Room over the Post House
Roseburg Ministerial Assn.
Sunday: 11 a.m.—Worship service.

The Chi Rho Fellowship will go to the Brooks' home, 1649 Grand ave., immediately after the groundbreaking ceremonies for a picnic. This will be in lieu of their regular Sunday evening meeting.

The newly formed fellowship of ninth and tenth graders have chosen "Middleers" for their name. They will meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. Sunday to go to Hawthorne park. The Christian Youth Fellowship will meet at 8:30 p.m. at the Wagner home. Monte Cook will give the devotion and Mr. Wagner will lead the study. Wednesday evening the CYF will leave the church at 6:30 p.m. for a bicycle ride and picnic.

The elders and deacons will meet at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at the parsonage for a picnic dinner and business meeting.



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Religion in America

Rulings Emphasize Excluding Religion From Public Schools

BY LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International

Nearly a century ago, a Princeton theologian, the Rev. Dr. A. A. Hodge, predicted that the U. S. public school system would eventually become "the most efficient instrument for the propagation of atheism which the world has ever seen."

"If every party in the state has the right of excluding from the public schools whatever he does not believe to be true," reasoned Dr. Hodge, "then he that believes most must give way to him that believes least, and he that believes least must give way to him that believes absolutely nothing, no matter in how small a minority the atheists and agnostics may be."

Dr. Hodge may have overstated the case a bit. Few people today would accuse the public schools of deliberately "propagating atheism."

But neither are they propagating belief in God. The process of excluding religion from public education has been taking place inexorably, just as Dr. Hodge prophesied. In recent years, a succession of court rulings has made it virtually impossible for public schools even to acknowledge the existence of a Supreme Being.

Dawns On Parents
The full implications of this fact are only beginning to dawn on millions of American parents, who have grown accustomed to depending on public schools to teach their children everything they need to know, from how to brush their teeth to how to drive a car.

These parents must now realize that they have only two alternatives if they want their children to learn about God.

The first alternative is to arrange an adequate program of religious education for each child, outside of school hours.

Sending a child to Sunday school is not an adequate program of religious education. Any Sunday school teacher will testify that very little systematic religious instruction can be accomplished in a class which meets for one hour a week, or less, and for which little or no homework is done.

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Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study will be held at the parsonage at 7:30 p.m. The 9th chapter of Ezekiel will be studied.

Eastwood Baptists Announce Activities

Sunday at Eastwood Baptist church, 1390 Ridge Way, the pastor, the Rev. Clifford J. Young, will speak on "Shall I Obey My Priest?" at the 11 a.m. service. He will use Hebrews 6 as his scriptural background. There will be a service of dedication of infants.

At the 7:30 p.m. service, the pastor will speak on "Seven Benefits of the Holy Spirit."

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1957 Award of Merit Winner

CHURCH NEWS
National Religious Publicity Council

Ashland Church Dedication Set

Ashland — The Ashland Church of the Nazarene, Fourth and C sts., will dedicate its new sanctuary Sunday at 3 p.m.

The day will begin with a special emphasis during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 a.m. under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Wiley. The speaker for this hour is Gordon T. Olsen, Eugene, church layman and business man.

Dr. Samuel Young, Kansas City, Mo., one of the six general superintendents of the Church of the Nazarene, will be guest speaker during the 11 a.m. worship service and also will give the dedicatory address at 3 p.m.

Dr. W. D. McGraw, district superintendent of the Oregon-Pacific District of the Church of the Nazarene, will also have an active part in the day's activities along with many former pastors.

The Ashland Church of the Nazarene was organized 57 years ago and has seen constant growth since that time.

Ashland Methodists Announce Subject

Ashland — "The Secular Mind" will be the sermon topic Sunday at both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services at First Methodist church, North Main and Laurel sts., Ashland. Dr. P. Malcolm Hammond, minister, will speak.

The Bible study group will meet Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mackay, 786½ Forest st.

Lake Service Is Planned Sunday

Sunday the members and friends of the Medford Congregational church will join with the members of the Congregational churches of Ashland, Klamath Falls and Roseburg in a joint service of worship on the west rim of Crater lake.

This is the fifth year that the four churches of the Southern Oregon Congregational fellowship have held an outdoor service at Crater lake together.

No service of worship or church school classes will be held Sunday at the Congregational church, 2100 Oakwood dr.

The service of worship will be held at 1:30 p.m. 1½ miles north of Rim village on the west rim of Crater lake. The service will be preceded by a fellowship picnic at 12:30 p.m. just one-half mile further north on the rim.

The Rev. Verne A. Robinson, minister of the Congregational church of Roseburg, will be the preacher for the outdoor service. The Rev. Quinn Hawley of the First Congregational church, Klamath Falls, and the Rev. Robert W. Tuill, Medford, will conduct the service.

Baptist Services Continue at School

The Rev. Bernard E. Andrews, pastor, will give the message at both the morning and evening services at the First Baptist church Sunday. The church is temporarily meeting at the Wilson school auditorium. Construction on the new church plant should begin in the near future.

At the 11 a.m. service, Mr. Andrews' subject will be "The Conflict-Is Our Course." A mixed trio will sing and Mrs. Donn Platt will be soloist. At the 7:30 p.m. service Mr. Andrews will speak on "The Wonderful Grace of Our Lord." A trumpet trio will provide music for the service and the Rev. Darrell Ervin will sing. A feature of the evening service is the "Question Time" when the pastor answers Bible questions that have been submitted to him.

A fully departmentalized Sunday school is held at 9:45 a.m. and a family hour at 6:30 p.m. with programs and study groups for all ages.

The Union-Rogue Baptist camp near Prospect is in full operation this month. It is a cooperative project of five Conservative Baptist churches in southwestern Oregon. This coming week there will be a camp for junior high age youth. The Rev. Bill Cross is director and Mr. Andrews is speaker.

Minister, Layman Back From Meeting

The Rev. Albert Nickodemus, minister of Grace Lutheran church, Ashland, and Ray Harder, Medford, a member of St. Peter's Lutheran church, have returned from Portland where they were delegates to the international convention of the Lutheran Laymen's league.

Exploration of the Christian citizen's role in the space age was the highlight of the conference. Dr. Eugene C. Hubschman, space scientist at Cape Canaveral, emphasized that "this is our time" — the time for Christian citizens to utilize the discoveries of the space age in spreading the Gospel of Christ to men everywhere.

Harry G. Barr, Ft. Smith, Ark., was reelected to a second two-year term as president. Next year's session will be in Chicago.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

100 Windsor Ave., 1 Block South of East Main
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Church and Sunday School Services at 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Service, 8 p.m.
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MEDFORD CHURCH DIRECTORY

"We give thanks to thee, Lord God almighty." Revelation 11:17.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
West Jackson and Welch sts., near Holly at
Fred O. Sapp Jr., minister
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school, 10:20 a.m.—Bible school program, 11 a.m.—Worship service, 11:30 a.m.—Junior church, 6:30 p.m.—Doctrinal class, 7:30 p.m.—Song service
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting and Bible study

APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH
North Central ave. at Third st.
Loyce C. Carver, pastor
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.—Sunday school, 10:45 a.m.—Morning worship, 11:30 a.m.—Prayer meeting
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting

BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
1225 E. McAndrews rd.
D. Krause, pastor
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school, 10:45 a.m.—Morning worship, 11:30 a.m.—Evening service
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Missionary service

CHURCH OF CHRIST
1701 West Main
Lloyd Bridges, minister
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Bible classes, 10:45 a.m.—Morning worship, 7 p.m.—Evening worship
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Midweek Bible study

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS (1st Ward)
648 South Ivy st.
Walter H. Jensen, bishop
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.—Priesthood meeting, 11 a.m.—Sunday school, 7 p.m.—Sacrament meeting
Tuesday: 7:30 p.m.—Primary
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Mutual Improvement association

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS (2nd Ward)
648 South Ivy st.
D. E. Nelson, bishop
Sunday: 8 a.m.—Priesthood meeting, 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school, 11 a.m.—Sacrament meeting
Tuesday: 7:30 p.m.—Mutual Improvement association
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Primary

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (United Church of Christ)
2100 Oakwood dr.
Robert W. Tuill, minister
Sunday: Picnic at rim of Crater Lake, 1:30 p.m.—Service of worship, west rim of Crater Lake
Tuesday: 7:30 p.m.—Mutual Improvement association
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Primary

EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH (American Baptist)
North Keeneway dr. at Ridgeway
Clifford J. Young, pastor
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Church school, 11 a.m.—Morning worship, 7:30 p.m.—Evening service
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Evening service

FAITH ADVENT CHRISTIAN
2460 Roberts rd.
Laurel Lee Crabb, minister
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school, 11 a.m.—Worship hour, 7:30 p.m.—Evening service
Wednesday: 7 p.m.—Prayer meeting and Bible study
Saturday: 10 a.m.—Choir practice

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
1108 W. Main St.
W. Martin, pastor
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school, 10:45 a.m.—Morning worship, 11:30 a.m.—Christ Ambassadors, 7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic service
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Midweek service

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