



# NEWS OF THE CHURCHES



## St. Augustine's

Dr. Hubert Carleton, rector

Sunday, December 22, will be the fourth Sunday in Advent. There will be Holy Communion at 8 a. m., Church school and Bible classes at 9:45, and a service of Confirmation at 4 p. m., which will replace the regular 11 a. m. service of worship.

On account of Bishop Stewart's visit to St. Augustine's Sunday, December 22, there will be no morning service at 11 a. m. This service has been transferred to 4 p. m. when Bishop Stewart will administer the sacred Rite of Confirmation. After he has addressed the candidates Bishop Stewart will address the congregation. This service will last about one hour.

The Christmas services will begin Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve, at 4 p. m. with a Manger service when the children of the church school will bring their Advent boxes for the benefit of the different children's institutions of the Episcopal church in Chicago. Each child is also asked to bring a present, new or second hand if in good condition, to be sent to some Church institution in Chicago. Gifts should be wrapped securely and labelled, stating whether suitable for a boy or girl, and giving the age of the prospective recipient.

The next service will be the Midnight Service beginning at 11:30 p. m. with special Christmas music by the Vested choirs, a ten-minute address and celebration of the Holy Communion at 12 o'clock. This service will last an hour and fifteen minutes.

There will also be plain celebrations of the Holy Communion, without music or address, Christmas Day at 8 a. m. and 11 a. m.

On December 26, St. Stephen's Day, December 27, St. John the Evangelists' Day, and December 28, Holy Innocents' Day, there will be celebrations of the Holy Communion each day at 8 a. m.

There will be no monthly Parish dinner tonight. The next monthly dinner will be held on the third Thursday in January.

The Girls' Vested choir will practice on Thursday at 4 p. m., and on Saturday at 10 a. m. this week.

The young people of the parish will give a dance in the Parish House, Friday, December 27.

## St. John's Lutheran

Wilmette and Park avenues  
J. H. Gockel, pastor

### Services

9:15 a. m.—No service at this hour next Sunday because of rehearsal.  
9:30 a. m.—Rehearsal of Christmas program by the Sunday school.  
11:00 a. m.—Service with sermon.

### Christmas Services

7:00 p. m., Tuesday—Children's Christmas Eve service.

6:30 a. m., Wednesday—Christmas Day service in English.

10:00 a. m., Wednesday—Christmas Day service, in German.

### Meetings

Social circle, today, with Mrs. E. R. Matthews, 1312 Maple avenue.

Open house, this evening, 7 to 11 p. m.

Senior Walther league, Friday, 8 p. m.

Children's Christian education classes, Saturday, 9:30 a. m., no meeting after that until January 4 at 9:30 a. m.

Adult confirmation class, Monday, 8 p. m., in the pastor's study, this class to be confirmed on December 29 at 11 a. m.

The order of service at 11 o'clock next Sunday will include the following:

Prelude—Andante ..... Mozart  
Introit—"Drop Down, Ye Heavens, from Above" ..... Schmauck  
Anthem—"O Thou That Telles Good Tidings to Zion" ..... Handel  
Offertory—Larghetto ..... Handel  
The Sermon—"The Benedictus of Zacharias" (Part Two) ..... Luke 1:76-79  
Postlude—"Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter of Zion" (from the Messiah) ..... Handel

The order of service at 6:30 on Christmas morning will include the following:

Prelude—Christmas Carols ..... Medley  
Introit—"Unto Us a Child Is Born" ..... Schmauck

Anthem—"Good Christian Men, Rejoice" ..... arr. by Whitehead

Offertory—"Von Himmel Hoch" ..... Bach

The Sermon—"The X in Xmas" ..... Luke 2:11

Postlude—The Hallelujah Chorus ..... Handel

The message of these services is, "good tidings of great joy, which shall be to ALL people." Therefore you, too, are invited to come and hear the Christmas message.

## First Presbyterian

Ninth street at Greenleaf avenue  
James T. Veneklasen, minister

Our Christmas service will be held at 11 o'clock. The minister will preach on the theme "The Day Spring and the Dawn." We invite you to join us in this Christmas meditation and worship.

The music for the morning service will be:

Prelude—"The First Nowell" ..... Arranged by Howard

Anthem—"Sing We Noel" ..... Gaul

Anthem—"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming, Praetorius" ..... Solo—"Nazareth" ..... Gounod—Edward Otis, soloist

Carol—"Silent Night" ..... Gruber

Carol—"Good King, Wenceslas" ..... Traditional

Postlude—"Fantasie on Christmas Carols", Faulkes

Miss Erma Rounds is director

The Junior church will care for the children during the morning worship service.

The pastor's Confirmation class will meet at 9:30 o'clock for a half-hour.

There will be a Christmas program in the Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock, all the departments meeting together. All the parents and friends of the children are invited to attend.

In the afternoon at 4 o'clock, there will be a special vesper service, at which the tableau-pageant, "Presents for the King", will be given by a cast of young people, directed by Mrs. C. C. Henderson. Detailed announcement is made elsewhere in Wilmette Life.

The Tuxis club is invited to meet with the Tuxis club of the Second church of Evanston at 6:30 o'clock.

The New Trier Sunday Evening club will present Dr. Arthur H. Compton as its speaker at 7:30 o'clock Sunday.

The Primary department of the Sunday school will have its Christmas party Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Boy Scout Troop No. 5 will meet Monday evening at the church.

The Community Christmas carols program will be held on the Village Hall lawn Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Because Wednesday is Christmas day, there will be no midweek service at the church.

The choir will meet for rehearsal Friday evening at the church.

This church will hold a service New Year's Day morning at 10 o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited.

## English Lutheran

Seventh street at Greenleaf  
"A House of Worship"  
The Rev. David R. Kabele, pastor

### SUNDAY SERVICES

Church school ..... 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship ..... 11 a. m.

Church school program ..... 4 p. m.

Luther league ..... 5:30 p. m.

The music for the service of worship next Sunday morning is as follows:

Organ Prelude: A Rose Breaks Into Bloom ..... Brahms

Anthem—Christmas Bells ..... Stevenson

Solo—The Holy Child ..... Martin

Postlude—Chorus of Shepherds ..... Lemmens

Victoria G. McLeod, ministry of music

The Confirmation class will meet on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Senior choir rehearsal, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Junior choir rehearsal, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Church school Christmas program rehearsal for the Senior department, Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

On Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the Church school will present a Christmas pageant, "Let There Be Light." The Senior choir also will take part in this service. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to enjoy this fine Christmas program with us.

So that everyone will have an opportunity to attend church on Christmas Day two services will be held. The early service at 6:30 a. m. and the second service at 10:30 a. m. The Senior choir will sing at the early service and the Junior choir at the second service. We invite you to worship with us on Christmas Day.

## First Congregational

John G. Hindley, minister

"Glory, Good Will and Peace" will be the Rev. Mr. Hindley's sermon theme in the 11 o'clock worship service next Sunday morning.

The music will be as follows:

Prelude—"Lift Up Your Heads" ..... Handel-Guilmant

Carols—"When Christ Was Born" ..... Traditional, Polish

"On That Blessed Night" ..... Traditional, Neapolitan

"The Other Night" ..... Traditional, English

"O Holy Night" ..... Traditional, French

Anthem—"Sing Noel" ..... Snow

Quartette—"Christmas Night" ..... Banks

The Offertoire—Norwegian Mountain Carol arranged by Gaul

Benediction Response—"Noel" ..... Nanini

Emily Roberts—organist-director

### The Christmas Vesper Service

Sunday, 4 p. m.

The Prelude—Pastoral Symphony ..... Bach

Candle Lighting

Processional—"Silent Night, Holy Night" ..... The Christmas Narrative

Bach's Christmas Oratorio

Junior Carols

The White Gift Service

Christmas Tableaux

Gift bearers' Presentation of Gifts

The Christmas Offering

Benediction

Recessional—"Joy to the World"

### Regular Announcements

Sunday—

Church school ..... 9:30 a. m.

Morning church service ..... 11:00 a. m.

Beginners' department ..... 11:00 a. m.

Tuesday—

Camp Fire Girls ..... 3:30 p. m.

Scout Troop No. 1 ..... 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday—

Brownies ..... 3:30 p. m.

Scout Troop No. 2 ..... 7:30 p. m.

Thursday—

Girls' choir rehearsal ..... 3:30 p. m.

Boys' choir rehearsal ..... 4:00 p. m.

Senior choir rehearsal ..... 7:15 p. m.

Saturday—

Cub Pack 63 ..... 9:30 a. m.

Girls' choir rehearsal ..... 10:30 a. m.

Boys' choir rehearsal ..... 11:00 a. m.

## Wilmette Baptist

Wilmette and Forest avenues  
Rev. George D. Allison, pastor

These are busy Christmas days but we are saving plenty of time for Christ himself and for his church. Our Christmas cantata, "The Manger Throne", was given by the chorus choir, under the direction of Miss Lydia Koch last night. On Tuesday night 175 members of the church school enjoyed their Christmas banquet, with carols and a fine program, prepared by Earl C. Carlson and Frank Guthridge, committee, and Mrs. Alfred Heerens, dinner chairman.

Sunday morning there will be distinctive Christmas services in all four department assemblies, with special mu-

sic and pageantry, by the members of the school. Many will bring their "White Gifts" at the Church school hour of 9:30. The morning worship at 11 o'clock, will have a processional of junior and senior choirs, and a truly Christmas background of decorations with open chancel and special music. Dr. Allison preaches the Christmas sermon on the theme, "The Greatest Gift". The public is cordially invited to attend.

There will be a dress rehearsal of the Christmas Eve pageant on Sunday afternoon at three, so all participants are asked to be present, including singers. After the rehearsal members of the high school group will join other groups of the village in a Union Christmas Young People's meeting at the First Methodist Episcopal church at 6:15 o'clock, where there will be interesting doings for all.

The annual Carol and Pageantry service occurs Tuesday evening, Christmas Eve, from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock. The pageant, "The Heart of Christmas", has the following cast of characters:

### Modern Scene:

Virginia ..... Elltn Jones

Alice ..... Verna Archambault

Grace ..... Imogene Kaufmna

Allan ..... Dick Hass

Everett ..... P. J. Rice

### Ancient Scene:

Inn Keeper ..... Rowland Davis

Joseph ..... Howard Jones

Mary ..... Betty Gebert

### Shepherds:

Billy Millard

Arthur Youngberg

Bruce Carlson

### Wise Men:

Bob Gruhn

Dave Kendrick

Dick Cordts

### Needy Poor:

Group of members

Angel chorus

Junior choir

Mrs. B. W. Shearer has charge of the dialog and Miss Lydia Koch of the music, with many others assisting in costumes, properties and scenery. In this service "White Gifts" will be presented and all are invited to bring white packages of canned goods and other non-perishables for use among those who need them later. There will also be an opportunity for "the best gift", the consecration of lives to Christian service. The ordinance of baptism will be administered. Note that this takes the place of our usual Wednesday evening meeting.

Thanks are due for many helpful Christmas gifts, including \$200 from the Woman's society, \$137 from members for the new church hymnals, and a number of helpful planned gifts for the needy.

Our Girl Scouts will go caroling on Tuesday afternoon, visiting the Swedish Old People's Home. Other groups will go out after the pageantry that evening, visiting older members of the congregation and those who are ill.

## Kenilworth Union

Dr. Herbert L. Willett, minister

Dr. Willett's subject for Sunday, December 22, will be "Who was Jesus Christ?" a Christmas sermon, the twelfth in the series on "Basic Themes of the Christian Faith." The church service is at 11 o'clock.

The Sunday school will not meet in the morning for its usual session. At 4 o'clock the Junior and Senior departments will gather for Christmas Vespers in the church. Their parents and friends are invited to this service.

The members of the Primary will have their Christmas party in the Guild room Saturday afternoon, December 21, at 3 o'clock.

## Methodist Church

Corner Lake and Wilmette avenues  
The Rev. Amos Thornburg, minister

The minister will preach the Christmas sermon at the 11 o'clock worship service next Sunday morning, December 22. The service begins with the organ prelude at 10:45 o'clock, and the processional hymn begin at exactly 11 o'clock. The entire service will be in keeping with the spirit and meaning of Christmas.

The music for the Christmas Sunday