

## Christmas Services THIS SUNDAY

— at —  
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11 a.m. — 7 p.m.

Special music by the choir

**WHITE GIFT SERVICE**

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### White Gifts Presented At St. John's Service

Worship on Sunday morning at St. John's United Church took the form of a White Gift Service, the Sunday School joining with the Young Worshipers League and congregation in presenting their gifts of clothing, food, toys and money for the Fred Victor Mission in Toronto.

This is an annual event to aid this very worthy mission, and the children get a great deal of happiness in thus sharing their blessings with others much less fortunate and at the same time learn a great lesson in practical Christian giving and living. The Junior Choir under Norman Laird, led the services of praise, singing two Christmas carols "Crusaders Hymn" and "Ding Dong, Merrily On High" with a trio of Sue Crabtree, Pat Willson and Beverly Hyde singing "Little Boy Jesus and I."

Rev. John M. Smith took for his text a verse in Luke 2, telling about the birth of Jesus and asked the children to tell the name of the town in which Jesus was born. Bethlehem, a sweet sounding name, with an influence of love, peace and goodwill flowing from it, and suggesting quietness and order. He told of a hospital, long ago in London, Eng., started by Christian people and named the Hospital of Our Lady of Bethlehem, a kindly helping, healing place. After more than 200 years of kindly healing, during which its location had been changed, it drifted away from its Christian influence and its character was so changed that it became known as Bedlam, from which we got our word Bedlam, meaning the very opposite to Bethlehem. He asked the congregation and children to remember that it is the birth of the babe Jesus, born in Bethlehem, that we celebrate at Christmas and to keep the spirit of it, that of the spirit of Bethlehem.

He told the children of many strange customs used to celebrate Christmas in other lands, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Romania, Mexico, and pointed out that though the customs were different, it was the birth of the same Jesus, born in Bethlehem, that they were celebrating and in the same spirit.

Make a Bethlehem of your heart this Christmas.

In the evening the girls of the CGIT and Explorers held their annual Vesper Service with the senior choir under Mr. Laird's leadership, taking the service of praise. All the girls under the leadership of Mrs. J. M. Smith, Mrs. E. Forgrave, and Mrs. V. Stein took their part well and reverently. Judy McCumber and Lorna Klingbeil reading the Scripture lessons, Mrs. Smith giving the narration and Mrs. Forgrave leading the prayers. Mrs. F. Whitney and Mrs. J. Watson were in charge of the Explorer groups. The candle-lighting ceremony by Leaders and CGIT members Gail King, Barbara Alcott, Helen Muckart, Sally MacDonald and Jean Engleby and taken up by all the girls was very effective and should be long remembered by all those taking part. It would mark another step in their growth into Christian womanhood, and help them set a high standard of Christian living in whatever community they may eventually come to live in. "As a Canadian Girl in Training, under the leadership of Jesus, it is my purpose to: Cherish health, Seek truth, Know God, Serve Others."

The choir sang the anthem: "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" and the carol "This Endless Night." Ruth Evans sang "Star of Bethlehem."

### SERVED IN KOREA WITH U.S. ARMY

Visiting in town this week after a year in Korea is Pvt. William (Bud) Hoare. He served with an American medical unit attached to an infantry squad during his army service in the far east.

Pvt. Hoare left town a few years ago to go to Detroit where he works with a tool and die company. He expects to return to his position in February when his term of service ends. Till then he will be stationed at Camp Custer, Michigan.

### Lewis-Wood Vows Norval United Church

Standards of chrysanthemums formed the setting for the marriage of Mrs. Georgina Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wood, Brampton, to Ian Robert Lewis of Toronto, in Norval United Church, on Saturday, November 29. Rev. Frank Dunlop officiated at the ceremony when the bride was given in marriage by her father.

She chose a gown of white satin with Chantilly lace overskirt. Her fingertip veil fell from a headdress of satin and braided pearls. She carried a cascade of white chrysanthemums and Tallman roses. Elizabeth Evans, of Toronto, the maid of honour was gowning in bronze net over taffeta cut to ballerina length and worn with matching feather headdress. Her bouquet was of bronze and yellow chrysanthemums. Sandra Hunter of North Bay, niece of the bride, was the flower girl in a green taffeta floor-length dress and matching bonnet. She carried white chrysanthemums and pink roses. Bryan McCracken, of Huttonville, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer. He was dressed similarly to the groom and usher in navy blue blazer and grey flannels. William Gearing of Toronto was best man while Alister Lewis and James McCracken ushered.

At the reception, the bride's mother received in a gown of mauve pink silk crepe, black accessories and a corsage of white and mauve chrysanthemums. She was assisted by the groom's mother in a gown of powder-blue crepe trimmed with lace and wearing a corsage of pink roses. For the wedding trip the bride wore a dusty pink hammered satin dress with brown accessories topped by a winter white coat trimmed with brown velvet. On their return the happy couple will reside in Toronto.



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