URCHES HOLD CHRISTMAS FETES SUNDAY, 6:30

A Christmas Message

R. A. Young, Pastor First Methodist Episcopal Church

'God so loved the world, that He gave."

The Christmas story, first reveals Heaven losing its Prince. The Eternal Son, the pride of the Father's heart and the glory of the Heavenly kingdom was leaving for thirty-three years. It was a descending ladder of humiliation and sacrifice. Heaven's joy was turning to sorrow and its song to heaviness. But still the angels sang, and why? Because four things were born in the village barn under the Judean skies.

ENCOURACEMENT

In Bethlehem manger was born encouragement for those poorly started, friendless and unknown. Jesus had two friends, his parents. Christ entered the world through the door of another man's manger, and departed through another man's sepulcher. This fact often overlooked is true, that many of the world's greatest souls had barnlike birthplaces. Lloyd George was born in a rude hut in the backwoods of Wales. Lincoln was cradled in a log cabin in the wilderness. Moses saw light in a slave's hut on the Nile. The world takes heart, encouragement, because in Bethlehem was born One on the level where the millions live and die.

GOODWILL

But still the angels sang, and why? With the birth of Jesus there begins, all the good will this old world knows. Before Christ no hospital, no children were safe; cows were honored above womanhood. In Christ was all Heaven's essence. He gave it to our earth. Thank God men and nations are rapidly learning to drink of that Fountain of Goodwill.

FORGIVENESS

Chance is the creed of a crazy world. Prayer beats in vain against the door of fate. Sinai, Bethlehem's Manger and Calvary are not separable, but a trinity in the sublime will and purpose of God. Love grasps the situation; again the world looks into the Manger and sees Forgiveness, its Redeemer.

CHRIST REBORN

"If Christ a thousand times in Bethlehem be born
Until He's born in me, my soul's forlorn."

The Christian hope lies in this, that Jesus was born in
Bethlehem: But the tragedy of much present day living is the
fact that so many people are living as though Jesus had neverbeen born. Christ is ready. May He be reborn in our unworthyhearts, bringing to us Peace, Hope and Everlasting Life.

By agreement between the churches of Torrance, practically all the Christmas programs by the Sunday school children will be held Sunday evening at 6:30 in the various churches of the city.

The individual programs of the various churches are given on this page, as are a number of Christmas messages by pastors of local congregations.

In a splendid co-operative community spirit, the churches agreed to hold their children's Sunday school exercises on Sunday in order to not conflict with the Community Christmas Tree pageant Monday evening.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SUNDAY MORNING

A Merry Christmas is extended to the citizens of Torrance and the Methodist church urges your presence at the morning Christmas how of worship. Special music by the chorus choir and the ladiest quartette A special Christmas message by Rev. Robert A. Young, Pastor.

2. Heaven's Eternal King (Congregation)

Chorus Choir—Mr. Hogue, Director

8. Underneath the Christmas Startight
Quartette—Mmes. Budge, Johnson, Tomkins, Young
4. Sermon, "Emmanuel, God. With Us", JR. A. Young, M.A., B.D., Pasto
5. Walking with God

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 6:30 P. M.

A beautiful "Christmas Pageant" will be presented by the Metho Sunday school, Sunday, December 22nd at 6:30 p. m. While the pe are gathering, the

2. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" will be sung by Mrs. A. W. Johnson. As this is finished Gounod's "Ave Maria" will be played by Mrs. Johnson and an angel, Pal Marie Henry enters crosses the stage and awaits Mary, represented by Barbara Hall who enters and kneels in Yront of angel. While the orgaf still plays the angel repeats the Annuclation.

nunciation.

3. The choir bursts into the Allelula. The angel trapeats the Annals of the place and Mary to her place beside the cradle. Joseph, represented by Gerald Grubb, enters and takes his place with Mary. In the distance is heard the carel "Away in a Manger" by the Juntors. Suddenly three shepherds appear, the angel repeats the story of theighting and the Babe. A lullaby is sung and the cloir sings the Noel story of the property of the Juntors of the Prophecy of pace among all nations.

4. As the choir sings "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," a procession of children representing all nations. They are led by the candle hearers who separate at the altar letting the children pass through and give their gifts.

5. The choir bursts into "Joy to the World" as the children pass.

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5. The choir bursts into "Joy to the World" as the children pass out followed by the kings and shepherds. The angel descends and lights the candles of the candle bearers and sends them out to light the world. The choir sings, "Silent Night."

6. Mary lifts the child from the manger and slowly passes out followed by Joseph. The lights are dimmed, the benediction is given and the crowd passes out.

"CHRISTMAS **EVANGELICAL**

"Somebody Cares," Christmas Pageant By Christian Church



"GOD'S UNSPEAKABLE GIFT"

Christmas Meditation

By GEORGE G. ELDER,

"Thanks be unto God for His Unspeakable Gift." II Cor. 9-15. What an extraordinary statement. The reference is to Him whose birthday we commemorate every Christmas. The allusion is to Him who was cradled in a manger and the announcement of whose advent was heralded to the wondering shepherds in the unforgettable hymn, "Glory to God in the highest, peeace on earth and good will." The reference is to Him whose star lured the Wise Men from the east to seek him with presents of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

This gift is unspeakable in the love that prompted it. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Begotten Son—". It was a costly gift. We may not understand just what it cost the Father to give up his son, but we may believe the fact. It is unthinkable what would be left of us if Christ were taken out of the world. Such a loss would rob art of its choicest treasures, would cut our literature into ribbons, would deprive humanity of its greatest source of inspiration; and leave us undone; broken utterly.

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No wonder the Apostle bursts into a song of gratitude: "Thanks be unto God for his gift." The first remembrance of this gift bugne to lead us into expression of gratitude for God. A Christmas celebration that fails to produce a feeling of the profoundest gratitude to God is worfully inadequate. No matter how many the toys, how numerous the gifts, how beautiful the wreaths of holly, the festoons and garlands that adorn show windows—if there be no gratitude to God for his great gift, how shallow, how poverty stricken the Christmas holiday.

In many places Santa Claus has crowded Christ out of the Christmas celebration. There is no big objection to the proper use of that jolly old creation of childhood's splendid fancies whom we call "Santa Claus" Yet there is danger just here. A Christmas celebration given over iglorifying of Santa Claus and the ignoring of Him whose birthday the season commemorates, is a travesty and a tragedy.

Friends, may we not fail to use this season so full of glory to havess the young mind with God's Unspeakable Gift. Make it a great day the history of family life. Hang the wreaths, twine the mistletoe, im the tree, light the candles, give the gifts; but above all and best of I, remember Bethlehem, and God's gift to that manger-cradle.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem,
How still we see Thee lie,
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The slient stars go by
Yet in thy dark street shineth
"The everlasting Light,
The hopes and fears
Of all the years
Are met in Thee tonight."

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Benediction, 7:30, Sunday even-

CATHOLIC
Weston street, Lomita.
Father Bradley, pastor.
Mass celebrated Sundays at 8:80

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST - Weston and Walnut streets, Lo-ita. Mathwig, Elder. Sabbath school, 2 p. m. Preaching service, 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 m.

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chool. Prayer service, 7:30, Wednesday

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J. C. Gable, pastor
Sunday, Dec. 22
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Morning worship, 10:46, Subject:
"My Experience." How the Lord
Baptized with the Holy Spirit 16
Years Ago this Date.
Young People's meeting 6:30 P.
M.
7:30 Special Christmas numbers

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Divine worship at 9:30 A. M.

The Lord Is at Hund." Christmas Eve: Christmas tree and
Christmas program by Sunday
school, entitled "The First Christmas" at 7:00 P. M.

Christmas day: Divine worship
at 9:00 a. m. "The Best News for
All Men."
Sunday after Christmas, bold

ning beginning 7 o'clock sharp.
Public invited.
6:15, Christian Endeavor. Topic:
"How Christmas Sets the Whole
World Singing," Luke 2:1-11, A
Christmas Jesson with a Christmas
settling.
Wednesday: The "Church Night"
discussion topic is: "Avold Unrighteousness in Giving." Luke
16:10. Mr. Elder, leader.
Thursday: Choir members meet
for, reshearsal at 7:30 sharp. R. V.
Roelofs, director.

The Christmas Pageant, "Somehody Cares," will be given in the auditorium of the First Christian church. Engracia at Arlington, next Sunday evening, December 22, beginning 7 o'clock sharp. A brief synopsis of the pageant is as follows:

It is Christmas Eve. The Scoffer and the Indifferent Giver meet a processional of joyous people who are marching with song and glad acclaim in honor of the birthday of the Christ. The men notice the two pagea carrying the banners of the clurch. They see the sweet the sweet the sweet the clurch. They for the demonstration seems foolish and old fashioned to the Scoffer and the Indifferent Giver. They stop the processional and shanped to the Scoffer and the Indifferent Giver.

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