

Many Special Features Planned By Christian Church For Christmas

"There never was a time which offered more opportunity for spreading the true Christmas spirit than this Christmas, due to the fact that we are in the midst of a great depression which has caused much sadness and sorrow," according to Rev. George Elder, pastor of the Torrance Christian church. "At the present time, there are ten millions out of employment. The plight of these people comes as a challenge to us. It means that we are all going to have an opportunity of helping to spread real, honest-to-goodness Christmas cheer in the form of the basic essentials of life," continued the pastor. The thoughts, here expressed, will serve as a basis for the pastor's sermon next Sunday morning, beginning at 10:30 o'clock. A beautiful Christmas souvenir will be given to each person attending.

The various classes and departments of the church school will remember "others" next Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock when they present their White Gifts, also a generous offering. Parents should see to it that their children are provided with suitable gifts. Rev. Elder will bring a message to the men in their Bible class session to be held in the Torrance theatre at 9:30 a. m.

At 6:15 p. m., the young people will meet in a special Christian Endeavor session. The pastor will lead this meeting.

Friday evening, this week, beginning at 7 o'clock sharp, the young people will present "The Star Shines On," a Christmas play. The members of the cast are as follows: Ruth Wilhelm, Betty Stevenson, Vivian Carrol, Leland Elder, Harold Irvine, Virgil King, Irene Wilkes, Eddie Rowell, Helen Schaeffer, Eathan and Iria Schmidt and others. A quartet of young people will sing Christmas songs in the tableau. Those attending the program are requested to bring "White Gifts" if possible.

Saturday night, a chorus of young people will sing Christmas carols to the sick and shut-ins.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner Martins and Carson. Rev. John R. Speed, pastor. 1827 Andros avenue. Phone 148.
Sunday School—
9:35 a. m., teachers' prayer hour.
9:45 a. m., assembly hour.
Classes for all. W. M. Tolson, superintendent.
Morning worship, 11:00 o'clock. Special music, "Bethlehem."
Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock. Special music, "Song of the Angels."
Friday, December 23, at 7:30 p. m., Sunday school Christmas program. Theme, "God With Us." Committee in charge, Mesdames Pierce, Tolson and Gossett.
Wednesday, December 28, 7:30 p. m., prayer meeting. Quarterly meeting of the church. Written reports.

SOUTH LOMITA CHURCH NOTES
Christmas will be a gala season at South Lomita church. On Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, the children of the Sunday school will entertain their parents and friends with a program of recitations prepared by Mrs. V. V. Morgan. Miss Betha Piessen is in charge of the rehearsal. Mr. Frank Stein has promised to have a big Christmas tree to make the room festive.
Early Christmas morning the young people of the church will be carolling for the shut-ins and then will render special music at the Sunday school and morning church services.
Miss Dorothy Levison will be the Spirit of Christmas in the special program which the young people will present at 7:30 o'clock on Christmas night. There will be solos by Miss Olene West, Miss Martha Edding and Allan Ram-say; a duet by Earl Sterling and Donald Tulp, and Scripture passages by Misses Margaret McDonald, Charis McDonald, and Millicent Thistle. Leland Sivard will be in charge of the lighting.

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN
Brethren school, Lomita.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavor, 6:15 p. m.
Prayer service, 7:30 p. m., Wednesday.
Church practice, 7:30 p. m., Thursday.

COMMUNITY INTERDENOMINATIONAL
24556 Hawthorne avenue, Wall-
teria. H. A. Lasey, pastor.
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
Young People's service, 6:30 p. m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.

Christmas in the churches

Church notices, to be assured of publication, should be in the Herald-News office before 10 a. m., Tuesday. Every effort is made to publish them all, but occasionally when they are late it is impossible.

CHURCH OF THE FOUR-SQUARE GOSPEL
Corner of Cota and Torrance boulevard. Rev. and Mrs. James Chalupnik, pastors.
Christmas morning, December 25: 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. Mrs. Tolson, superintendent.
10:45 o'clock, morning worship. Subject, "Good Tidings" by Mrs. Chalupnik. Choir is singing special numbers.
6:30 p. m., Crusaders. Taking in members.
7:30 p. m., Christmas program by the Crusaders. "Angels of Christmas."
Tuesday, December 27:
10:00 a. m., prayer meeting.
7:30 p. m., prayer and praise meeting.

Thursday, December 29:
7:30 p. m., Subject, "Divine Healing" by Rev. Chalupnik.
Saturday:
2:30 p. m., children's church. Sister Grace Denny in charge.
December 22:
7:30 p. m., Christmas program by the children; Mrs. Falk in charge. There will be candy for all.

FIRST LUTHERAN
Acacia and Sonoma streets. Phone 591. Frank D. Mechling, pastor.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Morning service, 10:45 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "Keeping Christmas."
Evening service, 7:00 o'clock. Christmas service by the Sunday school.
Choir rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
The Luther League meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Thursday evening, December 29, at 6:30 o'clock, Fellowship supper and annual congregational meeting.

TORRANCE MEN'S BIBLE CLASS
A Bible class for the men of the community by the men of the community. Sessions held each Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the Torrance theatre. G. L. Morris, president, and Rev. G. O. Elder, teacher. All men are welcome.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
High mass will be celebrated at midnight Christmas eve at the Catholic Church of the Nativity, Cota and Manuel avenues. Low mass will be celebrated at 7:30 and 9:30 o'clock, Christmas morning. Father Thomas F. Kennedy announces that children's confessions will be heard from 10:00 to 11:00 a. m., and adults will be heard from 9:00 to 6:00 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. on Christmas eve.
A. H. Rosewig's "Mass in G Flat" will be sung at midnight Christmas eve by the choir, under the direction of Miss Mary Scallen, with Mr. M. Salgado at the organ. Soloists will be Miss Wanda Stachowicz, dramatic soprano; Mrs. Roos, contralto, and James Anderson, tenor. A boys' quartet to be composed of Jim and Bill Lanz, Jimmie McLean and Leo Sweeney, will also be heard. A special arrangement of "Adeste Fideles" will be sung at the offertory, with Miss Stachowicz assisted by the choir. "Silent Night" is to be sung by the quartet, and "O Holy Night" and "Angels, We Have Heard On High," by Miss Stachowicz, will complete the music. Christmas carols will be sung for 15 minutes preceding the mass.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL
Kemp J. Winkler, pastor.
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. O. E. Hall, superintendent. Classes for all ages.
Morning service, 11:00 o'clock. "The Christmas Drama." Beautiful procession by newly-vested choir.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Christmas cantata, "The Angelic Choir," will be rendered by the choir in vestments, directed by R. F. Houge.
Epworth League service at 6:30 p. m.
Tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock, Sunday school Christmas program in the church. Open to all.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, TORRANCE
Former Dominguez Bldg., 1208 El Prado.
Sunday services, 11 a. m.
Sunday school classes, 9:30 a. m.
Wednesday evening meetings are held at 8 o'clock.
Reading room, 1208 El Prado.

CENTRAL EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Marcella at Arlington. O. D. Winder, minister.
Christmas program, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. W. E. Bowen, superintendent.
Christmas worship service at 11:00 a. m. Sermon, "Good Tidings of Great Joy."
There will be no services in Central church on Christmas night. Midweek services on Wednesday evening.

SOUTH LOMITA CHURCH
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mental, evangelistic. 2820 1/2 Redondo boulevard. V. V. Morgan, pastor.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Morning service, 11:00 o'clock.
Young People's meeting, 6:30 p. m.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
Teachers' lesson study and prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:00 p. m., at 2031 Miller street.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon on Sunday, December 25, in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. The Golden Text is from Psalm cxi: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."
One of the Scriptural selections in the Lesson-Sermon includes the verses from Mark: "And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes." And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, . . . And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him. And they were all amazed, inasmuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him."
A passage from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, says, "Jesus of Nazareth was the most noble man that ever trod the globe. He plunged beneath the material surface of things, and found the spiritual cause."

FIRST CHRISTIAN
Engracia at Arlington. Phone 84-W. George Elder, pastor.
9:30 a. m., the church school meeting in several assemblies with classes for every age.
Morning service, 10:50 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "The Birth-day of a King"—a Christmas sermon. Appropriate music, white gifts, souvenirs, decorations.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. The choir will sing, "Tidings of Great Joy," a Christmas cantata by E. L. Ashford.
6:30 p. m., Christmas session for all Christian Endeavor groups led by the pastor. All young people cordially invited to attend.
No evening meetings next week. Thursday, this week, last choir rehearsal for Christmas music.
Friday, 7:00 p. m., sharp, members of the church school will present "The Star Shines On," a Christmas play. Everyone is invited.

SPIRITUAL SCIENCE CHURCH OF LIGHT
Steepleton hall, corner Torrance boulevard and Fortola streets.
Essie M. Duceing, pastor.
Evening service at 7:30 o'clock every Wednesday.
CHRIST EPISCOPAL
Rev. F. Murray Clayton, vicar. Sunday school, 9:00 a. m.
Morning service, 9:00 o'clock. Holy communion and sermon. Christmas eve there will be a mid-night service beginning at 11:30 p. m.
Woman's Auxiliary meets on the first and third Thursday of the month at 2:30 p. m. in the Guild hall.
Choir practice every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., followed by the Young People's Society at 8:30 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
Cota and Manuel avenues. Rev. Thomas Kennedy, pastor. Phone 322.
Mass celebrated Sundays at 7:30 and 9:45 a. m.
Sunday school, 9 a. m., Saturday and Sunday.
Benediction, 7:30, Sunday evening.
CATHOLIC
Weston street, Lomita.
Vincent Hussell, D. D., Ph. D., pastor.
Mass celebrated Sundays at 8:30 a. m.

Cantata Last Sunday Lauded

Central Church Audience Praises Exceptional Musical Program
A large group of members of Central Evangelical church and their friends enjoyed the beautifully arranged Christmas cantata, "The Prince of Peace," sung by the choir Sunday evening. This beautiful cantata, written by E. L. Ashford, and portraying the scenes of the Nativity, was prefaced by a piano overture by Mrs. Anthony Zahradnik. "Sing of Heaven," sung by Mrs. Elmer Clark. Mrs. C. A. Curtiss and chorus, was followed by "The Heavenly King," a bass solo by Carleton Bell. "And There Shall Go Forth" was then beautifully sung by the chorus, "Fear Thou Not," with C. A. Curtiss and chorus followed.
"Hail Bethlehem," an alto solo by Mrs. C. A. Curtiss and "O Holy Night," sung by the male quartet composed of C. A. Curtiss, Dr. W. J. Neelands, C. B. Bell and Fred Lesing, were enjoyed. "There Were Shepherds," with C. A. Curtiss and chorus, and "Bright Star of Hope," a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Curtiss, "March of the Magi" by the male quartet; "O Blessed Lord," a tenor solo sung by C. A. Curtiss, all added to the charm of the program. The cantata was concluded with "Blessed Be the Lord," sung by the chorus.
On Christmas eve there will be a midnight celebration of the holy communion at Christ Episcopal church beginning at 11:30 o'clock. It will be a candle-light service with the Rev. Benjamin J. Darnelle as celebrant. Christmas music has been prepared by the choir.
At 9:00 o'clock Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the holy communion; Rev. F. Murray Clayton, vicar, celebrant.
Through the combined efforts of several church members, an adequate heating system has been installed and the worshippers will find the building comfortably warm.
Attendance at recent services has been very gratifying, church officials state and a choir of 24 voices will be present for the Christmas services. Decorations for the Christmas season promise to be exceptionally attractive, according to plans now under way.

Quinn Charges Gas Tax Quota Is Unfair to L. A. County

Supervisor Wants 1 1/2c Instead of 1c Paid to County From 3c State Levy
Los Angeles county has gone over the records of the state controller and, secured photostatic copies of 35 pages to substantiate its contention that it is not receiving its fair share of state gasoline tax money. It was revealed this week by figures obtained from Supervisor John R. Quinn. Outstanding among the instances is the example of Humboldt county, according to figures obtained, has but one-tenth the population and one-tenth the automobiles that Los Angeles county has.
The World Friendship portfolio received for maintenance of its highways \$860,000 more than has Los Angeles county. Specifically, Humboldt county has received \$2,254,432 and Los Angeles county but \$2,453,148.
In an effort to secure what county officials ask as a fairer deal for Torrance and the other 43 incorporated cities of the county, the board of supervisors has proposed that the state turn back to the counties one and one-half cents instead of only one cent of the three cents tax collected by the state upon each gallon of gasoline sold.
Quinn pointed out that on the basis of automobile registration Los Angeles county would receive approximately \$2,500,000 additional. Angeles county has lost one-half cent which would be apportioned out by the supervisors for a system of primary and secondary highways within the county, in which Torrance and every other city would be linked. At the present time the state cannot allocate from the fund created by the two cents it holds back unless the highway enters the limits of the incorporated city at one point and extends beyond the city limits at the opposite side of the city at which it enters.

Vocational Education Declines
PHILADELPHIA.—(U.P.)—According to Dr. Christian Gauss, dean of men at Princeton University, there will be less and less vocational education during the next 20 years. "The increase in leisure will bring the problem of leisure to the fore," he said, "and those who have had vocational education stressed will find themselves in need of a new education."

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