



attend Easter Services

Sermon of the Week

To Save the Lost Was Christ's Goal

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"And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused
His pain?
For me, who Him to death
pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst
die for me?"

THE LYRICS of this majestic hymn by Charles Wesley help point the heart and mind toward grasping the deep meaning of Christ's death upon Calvary. Dr. Vernon C. Grounds has written: "According to apostolic preaching and doctrine the significance of Jesus Christ does not lie supremely in his person or ministry or teaching; it lies supremely in his death upon the cross."

How eternally important it is to understand the central meaning of Christ's death! He did not die as a mere martyr for a cause. He did not die as an example for one to follow.

He did not die a disillusioned leader whose cause failed to take root in history. He did not die only as a great teacher.

NO, HIS MISSION, by His own testimony, was "to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). He came, said He, "to give His life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Well did Isaiah the prophet speak when he wrote, "All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath laid on Him (Christ) the iniquity of us all" (Isa. 53:6).

The cross of Jesus Christ then is God's holiness in divine confrontation with man's sinfulness. This is God's way, the only way, of dealing justly and completely with the sinproblem of the human heart. Some must die for death is the ultimate penalty for sin. Sin leads to death. God warned our first parents in the Garden that if they ate of the forbidden fruit they would die. And Paul wrote in Romans 6:23 that "the wages of sin is death."

THE CROSS of Jesus Christ is God's perfect plan for freeing man from his enslavement to sin. When a person believes in the Lord Jesus Christ personally, believing that Christ endured and averted the wrath of God in his place, that person is forgiven of his sin and receives the free gift of eternal life. Jesus Christ "became sin for us . . . that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (II Corinthians 5:21).

Dr. Grounds enumerates five metaphors of the New Testament which speak of the work of Christ with reference to man's need as a sinner, a fallen creature. They are: a slave who must be redeemed; an

enemy who must be reconciled; a corpse which must be resurrected; a captive whose powerful oppressors must be overthrown and a criminal who must be justified.

LET US speak here of three of these. From the slave market of sin the believer in God's Son is purchased at great cost, for the ransom price is the blood of Jesus Christ, who have His life on Calvary's tree. From the place of enmity (hostility) toward God the believer in God's Son is brought to friendship with God for the way to reconciliation has been provided and opened in Christ's atoning death.

Finally, from the position of being under both the guilt of sin and the wrath of God, the believer in God's Son stands now as an acquitted criminal for he stands in the righteousness of Christ which, because of Christ's sacrificial death, is imputed to him.

IT IS THEREFORE because of Christ's death that fellowship can be realized between a loving, holy, and just God and a sinful, fallen creature who has transgressed God's law.

This then is the meaning of Christ's death: God's perfect provision for our becoming truly children of God through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Do you know Him today as your personal Saviour? If not, why not receive Him now — today? He bids you come to Him by faith: turning from sin and self to Christ.

"WHEN SOMEONE becomes a Christian he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same any more. A new life has begun!" (II Corinthians 5:17, The Living New Testament). And if He is your Saviour today, won't you pause and reflect deeply at this significant season of the year on all that Christ's death has meant to you, and to me, and will always mean until He comes again!

Methodists Set Easter Services

Two identical worship services will be conducted at 8:30 and 10:10 a.m. at the Riviera United Methodist Church, 375 Palos Verdes Blvd., Redondo Beach, on Easter Sunday morning.

The minister, the Rev. Hans Holborn, will preach on the topic, "Whom Do You Seek?" Special music will be presented by the Chancel Choir of the church, conducted by Elizabeth Holborn, director of music, accompanied by organist Mary June Cunningham, and assisted by Richard Shelton, playing the trumpet.

Meredith Ambramson will sing the solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," from the Messiah by Handel.

Church school classes and a nursery for infants will be provided during both of the worship services.



SINGING BOYS . . . The Mitchell Singing Boys will be featured at Easter sunrise services at Green Hills Memorial Park in San Pedro. The eight boys, ranging in age from 9 to 14, are well known from their frequent TV appearances, movies and concerts. Services will begin at 5:41 a.m. Easter Sunday, at the Memorial Park, 27501 S. Western Ave., San Pedro.

Boys' Choir to Sing At Sunrise Worship

The famed Mitchell's Singing Boys will sing Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" for Easter sunrise services Sunday at Green Hills Memorial Park in San Pedro.

Services at Green Hills' hill-top cross site will begin at exactly sunrise, 5:41 a.m., with a prelude of Easter music played by organist and choir director, Bob Mitchell.

The boys' choir will also sing "The Lord's Prayer." Rev. Everett L. Cecil, pastor of the First Christian Church of San Pedro, will deliver the Easter message.

Others participating in the Easter service are pastors of member churches of the Greater Peninsula Council of Churches, which sponsors the annual worship service at Green Hills. They are: the Rev. William Jackson, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church and the Rev. Frank L. Dickey, Grandview United Methodist Church, both San Pedro; the Rev. Hans Holborn, Riviera United Methodist Church; and the Rev.

Albert F. King, Neighborhood United Church of Christ, Palos Verdes Estates.

The public is invited to attend the services at 27501 S. Western Ave., San Pedro.

Easter Sunrise Service

Easter Sunday at Calvary Baptist Tabernacle, 188th Street and Denker Avenue in Gardena, will start with a Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. This will be a joint service with the South Vermont, Wilmington, and Compton congregations.

The day will continue at 9:45 a.m. with Sunday School classes for all ages. At 11 a.m. Pastor L. George Hunt will speak on "The Power of the Resurrection." At 6 p.m., there are meetings of Whirly Birds for the primary grades; Junior Astronauts for the juniors; and Baptist Youth for the high school and college ages.

The evening service at 7 p.m. will feature the Sunday School Easter program with the adult choir and a new junior choir. The Sunday School will participate in the program and the play that is to be presented.

Sports Pro To Speak at Rose Bowl

Bill Glass, all-pro defensive right end for the Cleveland Browns, will be the featured speaker at the 21st annual Rose Bowl Easter Sunrise Service, Pasadena, Sunday at 6 a.m.

Glass was All-American at Baylor University. He has been a professional football player for 10 years, three times all-pro end. He was on the World Championship Team in 1964, and Eastern Division Champions in 1965.

Easter Worship Scheduled

Three services of victory are scheduled at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 706 Knob Hill, Redondo Beach, for Easter morning. The services will begin at 8, 10, and 11 a.m.

The Chancel and Junior Choirs will provide the anthems for the services while John Cameron, trumpeter, will sound the call to worship. The choir will also lead the congregation in the Antiphonal singing of "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."

A continental breakfast will be served in the quad following the first two services. An Easter film will be viewed during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday School hour.

The rite of Holy Baptism will be conducted in the 11 a.m. service for Todd Alan, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brose of Torrance.

Biblical Series Begins Sunday

Dr. Watson B. Teaford will begin a series of 10 weekly Bible lessons on Easter Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Harbor City Foursquare Church, 835 W. 255th St., Harbor City. The former dean of L.I.F.E. Bible College will use colored charts to illustrate his lectures.

Baptists Will Act Out Sermon on Mount

This Sunday evening, a dramatic presentation entitled, "The Sermon on the Mount," will be presented at Pacific View Baptist Church, 1610 Acacia Ave., at 7 p.m.

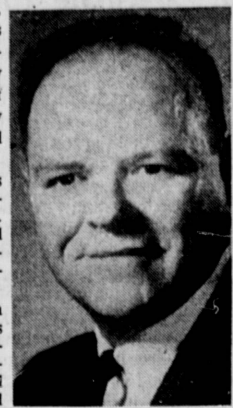
Prepared by Francis J. Casey, this dramatic reading of the scriptures, Matthew 5-7, brings to the listener the words of Christ uttered on the mountain as He spoke of spirituality that resides in the heart of anyone who will be genuinely obedient to Christ's word and will.

Narrator for the program is James Denton. Readers include the following: bass, Rev. Robert Dehn; tenor, Ronald Brookman; alto, Charles Fesmire; and soprano, Rev. Donald Bolt.

Costumes for the drama were prepared by Mrs. Ross Woolfer. Scenery is being designed by Mrs. Harold Afterburn and lighting and sound are by Thomas Billmeier and Ronald Brookman.

Musical accompaniment for

the program will be recordings of music for recorder, oboe, and harpsicord. Selections by the Telemann Society Chamber Group will include Trio Sonata in E Minor, Trio Sonata in A Minor, and Trio Sonata in D Minor.



REV. ROBERT DEHN

First United Methodist Church

1551 El Prado, Torrance
Arthur Nagel, Pastor

Easter Services

8, 9, 10, 11 a.m. Sermon:

"Do Not Be Afraid"

Music by Youth, Junior, Children's, Chancel and Samoan Choirs.

You Are Welcome!

Baptismal Service 4 P.M.

SEASIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

A United Church of Christ
22902 Ocean Ave., Torrance
"A Friendly Church for Friendly People!"

Rev. Francis A. Rath, Minister
"COME TO EASTER!"

EASTER SUNDAY Sunrise Service, 6:30 a.m.

Easter Family Worship, 9:30 a.m.

(for families with young children)

Easter Festival, 11:00 a.m. with Communion-Confirmants taking their first Communion.

Easter Pancake Breakfast, served from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m.

ST. CATHERINE LABOURE CHURCH

3846 Redondo Beach Blvd.
Torrance, Calif. 90504
DAvis 3-8900 - FA 1-0486

Holy Saturday Ceremonies of the Easter Vigil

10:45 p.m.

HIGH MASS

12:00 Midnight

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7-8-9-10-11-12

First Presbyterian Church

1957 Redondo Beach Blvd.
Gardena, Calif.
Phone: 324-1064

Rev. John Boller, Minister
1492 W. 153rd St., Gardena
Phone: 323-1215

April 6, 1969 Easter Sunday

Three family worship services
8:00 - 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

NO Sunday Church School
Child care at all services for children under three.

The Wayfarer's Chapel

PORTUGUESE BEND, CALIFORNIA

Rev. Robert Loring Young, Minister

Telephone 377-1650

Easter Sunrise Service in outdoor amphitheater at 5:30 a.m., followed by coffee and donuts being served in the Visitors' Center.

Regular worship services in the Chapel at 8, 9, 10 and 12 noon.

TORRANCE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. LLOYD H. NEWLIN

2118 WEST CARSON ST.

PHONE 328-5030

RESURRECTION SUNDAY

Worship Services: 8:15, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. "The Lord of Life."

Choir & Brass Quartet will herald the news "Christ is Risen" in the Easter Call to Worship. 7:00 p.m. Choir Cantata "The Seven Last Words." — Dubois

INVITACION

La invitamos a los servicios especiales en nuestro Departamento en Espanol a las 11 a.m., Domingo de Resurreccion. Todos son Bienvenidos. El Rvdo. Domingo Avila, Ministro Cubano, hablara sobre el tema:

"HA RESUCITADO EL SENOR VERDADERAMENTE"

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CENTRAL EVANGELICAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Marcelline & Arlington, Torrance
REV. WALTER M. STANTON
FA 9-3010

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 6,

9:30 a.m. Special Easter Emphasis

11:00 a.m. Worship service
Topic: "The burning heart"
Special music by church choir.

PACIFIC VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

1610 Acacia
(at Sonoma) Torrance
Rev. Ron Bolt, Pastor
Phone: 326-4115

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 6
9:15 a.m. Bible School for all ages. Special adult study on evangelism.

10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship Hour. Music by Sanctuary Choir: "The Holy City" and "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth." Message by Pastor Bolt "The Resurrection of Christ: Keystone of Our Faith"

7:00 p.m. Special Easter Evening. Dramatic Presentation, "The Sermon on the Mount" by Francis J. Casey.

Affiliated with the Baptist General Conference. Nursery care provided for all services.

THE HARBOR CHURCH

1032 West Pacific Coast Highway
Harbor City, Calif. 90710

Pastor Robert Pruett

EASTER SUNDAY

9:45 Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. Evangelistic

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF TORRANCE

2930 Eldorado St.

H. MILTON SIPPEL, Minister
JOE YONG, Minister of Education

EASTER

8:00 a.m. Service for all members of the family with Junior Choir.

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Church School and Worship Service. Miss Elizabeth Kautto will be soloist at all three services.

NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1447 Engracia, Torrance

Father Jonh P. Cremins

FA 8-2776

HOLY SATURDAY

11:00 p.m. — Easter Vigil Services followed by Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

High Mass — 9:00 a.m.

Low Masses — 6, 7, 8, 10:15, 11:15, 12:15 & 5 p.m.

Easter Music at All Masses