

Town Talk

Peter Kirsch, Mrs. William Miss Ella Mutschler, Mrs. Royer and daughter Kath- ended the Sacred Concert and by a choral union at the Gazebo Temple, Friday.

Mrs. W. E. Moon and Mrs. Foughty went to Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Harriett Todd. Mrs. Foughty is a sister of the late Mrs. Foughty.

Mrs. Amos Biggs have from Fort Wayne after several days with their and assisting their grand- daughter Margaret Ann Biggs, her sixth birthday an- niversary.

Willschire, Ohio, business visitor here today.

Maquette Lewellen of the visited in this city to- day.

Bieberich of Route 4 was after business in this city.

Book of Route 6 was a busi- ness visitor here today.

Shaw and I. W. Macy motor- ed, Ohio today.

W. Morley, Angola news- man has announced his can- didate for the democratic nomi- nation in this district.

J. McKean of Montpelier to business here today.

McKean has returned to his home to resume his duties pending a several day vaca- tion in this city and

Misses Mildred Acker, Ruth Miriam Haley, Dorothy Hal- Sherman Koos attended the ball game at Bluffton, Friday.

Mrs. Dick Burd and Mrs. Jessie Burd to Toledo, Ohio, today they will spend the week- end of the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burd.

The Decatur fans who

AMOUS CHURCHES OF THE WORLD

BY E. L. TINZMANN

The Cathedral of York



Edward Baptized in Church on This Site

The seat of an archbishop the county town of Yorkshire, lies in a plain watered by River Ouse at the junction of the stream with the main place of narrow streets, walls, and many churches architectural wonders.

Cathedral of St. Peter, com- monly known as the minster, has superior in dignity of form English cathedrals. It is a cross, consisting of a nave, aisles, transepts, choir with central tower and two side towers.

building occupies the site of a wooden church in which King Edward was baptized by Paulinus in 627. Following his death, King Edward commenced "a more noble basilica of stone" and this was partially de- stroyed by fire in 1066. The church was repaired by Bishop Wulfred. Damaged by fire in 1191, it was once more re- built by Archbishop Albert.

the time of the Norman in- vasion the Saxon cathedral with its tower of Archbishop Egbert destroyed by fire with the

greater part of the city. Only the central wall of the crypt remained. It was reconstructed but few portions of it stand today. With the exception of the crypt, the transepts are the oldest portions of the present building. These represent the early English style at its best and a view across the great transept is unsurpassed for architectural beauty.

The south transept is most elab- orate in detail with a magnificent rose window, while the windows of the north transept are five lancet shaped openings known as the Five Sisters.

In 1361, Archbishop Thoresby began the chapel and presbytery in the early perpendicular style. Then the choir was rebuilt, and to conform with the alterations, the central tower was raised and changed to a perpendicular lantern tower. The southwest tower was begun in 1432 and the northwest tower in 1470. With this, the church was completed as it stands today and was consecrated in 1472 by Archbishop Neville.

In 1840, the southwest tower suffered a fire which reduced it to a shell. However, it was restored without changing and looks today as it did before the damage.

Come To Church Sunday

THE FIRST DISCIPLES

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
John 1:19-51

By HARLOWE R. HOYT
WALTER SCOTT



When John the Baptist started to preach in the wilderness of Judea, many were convinced that he was the new Messiah, this despite his protestations to the contrary. Among those who were attracted to him were two fishermen from Galilee. One of these was known as Andrew. The other was John, the brother of James and son of Zebedee. They became disciples of John the Baptist.

One day, as Jesus walked beside the waters of the River Jordan, John the Baptist turned to Andrew and John. "Behold the lamb of God," John the Baptist declared. "Follow thou him." Andrew and John obeyed. "What seek ye?" Jesus asked the two. "Where abidest thou?" they questioned. "Come and ye shall see," Jesus answered. So Andrew, and John, who was to be known as the Beloved, followed him.



Shortly after this, John brought his brother James to join him and Andrew sought his brother, Simon Peter. "We have found the Messiah," he declared, and Simon Peter went with him. "Thou art Simon, the son of John," Jesus exclaimed, "Thou shalt be called Cephas." Thus Peter joined the band, and the next day Philip from Bethsaida, the home of Andrew and Peter, became a disciple.



Philip in his turn sought out his friend, Nathanael, with the glad news. "We have found him of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write," Philip declared. "Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael doubted until Jesus recognized him and gave proof. This little band formed the nucleus of the faithful who were to follow the Saviour until his death on the cross.

DECATUR CHURCHES

M. E. Church
Rev. B. H. Franklin, pastor.

There are many important seasons of the year when the church is called upon to rally to certain programs. But none is so important as the evangelistic services. Come Sunday and hear the call to arms. We are very fortunate to secure the services of Dr. E. J. Bulgin and Professor Clark, his song leader, who will begin an evangelistic campaign January 17th.

Church School, 9:30 a. m. Mr. Guy Brown, superintendent. Morning worship service at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. Franklin will preach on the subject: "Our Greatest Need." Special music by choir—Mrs. Dan Tyndall, director.

Evening worship service in charge of the Young Married People's Sunday School class. A special program has been arranged. Mr. Harry Thompson, the teacher, will preside. A quartet by the class members, trumpet solo by Mr. Lloyd Ahr, address by Mr. Herman Myers, "The Trial of Jesus From a Legal Standpoint." Epworth League at 6 p. m. Dr. E. T. Franklin, leader.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Dr. Franklin, leader.

United Brethren Church
R. E. Vance, pastor.

The "I Am's" of Christ, John 10:11. Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." The greatest of all teachers is Jesus the Christ. He carefully shepherds his flock. In a sense the Church is the fold. There His word is taught and proclaimed from the sacred desk.

Sunday School, 9:15 a. m. Morning worship, 10:30 o'clock. Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m. Evening service, 7 o'clock.

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Sunday School ? QUESTIONS ?

The First Disciples

QUESTIONS

1. How was John the Baptist regarded when he first began his ministry?
2. What was his answer to this?
3. What did Jesus do following his baptism?
4. How did Andrew and John come to be followers of John the Baptist?
5. How did the two come to join Jesus?
6. What was the relationship between Jesus, John the Baptist, and John?
7. Who did Andrew and John induce to join Jesus?
8. How did Philip of Bethsaida come to be converted?
9. Who enlisted Nathanael and by what other name was he known?
10. What did these converts become?

ANSWERS

1. When John the Baptist first began to preach in the wilderness of Judea, many thought him to be the new Messiah.
2. "I am not worthy even to unfasten the shoelaces of this coming Messiah," John the Baptist replied.
3. Following his baptism, Jesus retired to the wilderness, where he spent forty days in fasting, meditation, prayer and temptation. Then he returned to Bethabara for further conversation with John the Baptist.
4. Andrew and John were fishermen of Bethsaida, a city on the shores of Galilee. They heard of John the Baptist and came to listen to him, thinking he might be the new Messiah.
5. John the Baptist saw Jesus walking beside the river and called Andrew and John to him. "Behold the son of God," he said. "Follow thou him."
6. Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was a cousin of the Virgin Mary, mother of Jesus. Jesus and John were cousins.
7. John brought his brother James, son of Zebedee, to be a convert, while Andrew enrolled Simon Peter.
8. Jesus found Philip of Bethsaida as he travelled into Galilee and commanded him "Follow me," Philip did.
9. Philip enlisted Nathanael, who refused to be convinced until Jesus greeted him by name and recounted what Nathanael had been doing, which Jesus had visioned. Nathanael was also known as Bartholomew.
10. These converts became the

first disciples of Jesus and were named among the first when he chose his twelve apostles.

First Baptist Church
A. B. Brown, pastor.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. And He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light and thy judgment as the noonday." —Ps. 37:5, 6.

Bible School, 9:30 a. m. C. E. Bell, superintendent. Morning worship, 10:30 o'clock. Sermon: "The Biography of the Pre-Incarnate Christ."

B. Y. P. U., 6 p. m. Evening service, 7 o'clock. Stereopticon discourse on "The Immortal Dreamer and His Immortal Dream." A review of John Bunyan, author of "Pilgrim's Progress."

Special music. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. For meditation: Range of vision between Calvary and Olivet. Choir practice. Young People's choir practice, Thursday, 7 p. m. Jesus is the Way.

Calvary Evangelical Church
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Eldred Shifferly, superintendent. Prayer and praise service at 10:30 a. m. conducted by the class leader.

Mid-week prayer meeting on Thursday night.

Zion Lutheran Church
Paul W. Schultz, Pastor. No German service. English service at 10 a. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. Rev. T. W. Strieter of Valparaiso University will deliver an important message.

St. Marys Church
First Mass, 7:00. Childrens Mass, 8:30. High Mass, 9:45. Prayer Hour and Benediction, 2.

Zion Reformed Church
A. R. Fledderjohann, pastor. "Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and DO it." To hear the Word is easy but to do it presents many difficulties, especially when men are unwilling to pay the price of sacrifice. The influence of the church leads to noble heights of service. Your sympathetic attitude is needed.

Sunday school at 9:15. Lesson, "The First Disciples." Morning worship at 10:30 o'clock with a sermon by the pastor and special music by the Young Men's chorus. The newly elected officers will be formally installed at the morning service.

Senior choir rehearsal at 2 p. m. The junior and senior C. E. societies will meet at 6 o'clock. Evening services at 7 o'clock.

with a message for all. Your presence and interest in these services is needed. In the atmosphere of the church vice and crime wither and die. Are you enlisted with the forces for good?

First Presbyterian Church
9:30—Sunday School. 10:30—Morning worship hour in charge of Rev. Uhl. 6:00—Christian Endeavor.

First Christian Church
C. R. Lanman, Pastor. "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus sake." II Cor. 4:5.

Perhaps too much time is spent by the average minister in "selling" himself to the people and too little time attending to the vocation to which he is called, namely, the preaching of the Lord Christ Jesus and loyalty to Him.

The Bible School opens at 9:30. Dr. Burt Mangold, Supt. The Lord's Supper at 10:30. Preaching at 11:00. Sermon: "The Reflected Image." Christian Endeavor 6:00 p. m. Evening service 7:00.

Sharing with Others

By Harlowe R. Hoyt

Following the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist, John and Andrew became his first disciples. They had come from their little fishing village in Galilee to be followers of the Baptist; and it was at his command that they followed this new teacher whom they hailed as the Messiah.

Discovery carries with it a sense of ownership. We delight in the fact that we have found something unknown to others, and an innate selfishness impels us to keep it for ourselves. This, unfortunately, is true even in friendship, after you will find a person unwilling to share a friendship with others, or becoming extremely jealous if a friend makes other intimates.

Had John and Andrew followed this impulse, they would have proven weak disciples. Never would they have attained the apostolicship bestowed upon them by Christ. For it would have been selfish to the extreme, contrary to the teachings of our Lord, and would have done much to deter the spreading of the new gospel.

But John and Andrew were of different stuff. They wished to share their good fortune with others. John sought his brother, James and Andrew enlisted Simon, called Peter. Then came Philip and Nathanael, and the little band was well launched.

We can not accomplish the best things in this life through selfishness. We can not realize joy to the utmost if we hug it to our heart. We must share it with others.

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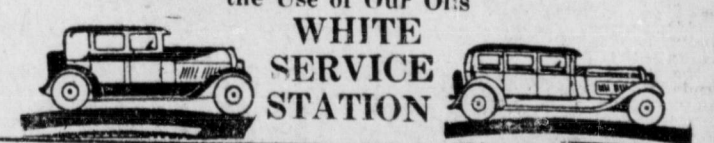
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