

Book Review

A Thing of Beauty, Crosby, Little, Brown and Co. The story is founded on a great painter whose search for beauty led him to give up every thing for art — family, friends, social position, career, and ultimately, his own life. He thus bequeathed to others a heritage of immortal beauty.

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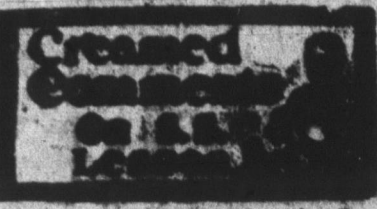
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COME TO CHURCH



Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson. The Great Invitation, Revelation 22:1-21, for Sunday, September 23. — The Rev. D. Carl Yoder.

The end is what counts most in life. In this life, it is a question of going in the right direction. To be assured of unspeakably great spiritual rewards at the end of life keeps one going in the right direction here and now under the severest circumstances. Keeping in mind that this book was written especially for the indescribable persecution of the early Christians, it serves well for Christians of all ages. Being faithful to the end is a true Christian's slogan.

V. 1. "And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and the Lamb." The angel is speaking and portrays a most satisfying situation. In the earthly Jerusalem there was little water which is so needed for physical existence. All spiritual needs will be supplied from the eternal throne of God and his Son.

V. 2. "In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations." The language of this verse symbolizes the spiritual blessing and refreshment which proceed continually from God.

V. 3. "And there shall be no more curse; but the throne of God and the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him." There will be no sin in the heavenly city, therefore no curse, as pronounced on our first parents when they sinned. Forgiveness and cleansing has taken place by the death of Christ.

V. 4. "And they shall see his face, and his name shall be written in their forehead." Here is the end of the quest; blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

V. 5. "And there shall be no night there." There shall be no weariness for there is a fullness of eternal life, an ecstatic condition lasting forever.

Vs. 6, 7. "And I John saw and heard these things. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which showed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See that thou do it not for I am thy fellow-servant and of thy brethren, the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God." Evidently John was so overcome that he, in his confusion, started to worship the angel who had given the vision. All people of all time have worshiped God — an experience beyond any worship on earth.

V. 16. "I Jesus have sent my angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." Jesus claims to be the root and the branches and so combines in himself all the messianic claims of David's family. It is essential that faith in Christ be well established to endure to the end.

V. 17. "And the Spirit and the Bride say Come. And let him that heareth say Come, and let him that is athirst Come. And whosoever will let him take of the water of life freely." Here is the great invitation to come to Christ. The invitation is from heaven, Jesus and the Spirit calling. When a man

is at his best, there is an inner call to move onward and upward. Man's part is to see to it that there are no vain excuses, no bad habits, no open violation of God's will at any time. God can do his part only when man is at his best.

V. 18. "For I testify to every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book. If any man shall add to these things, God shall add to him the plagues that are written in this book." Man must not modify what God has spoken or interpret it to please his own desires. In the following verse is taught that one who tampers with God's word has joined Satan.

V. 20. "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I shall come quickly. Amen, even so come, Lord Jesus." The Lord reaffirms his promises. There can be no mistake about Christ and his claims on man. The last verse is John's final benediction of God's grace.

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Spiritual and material relief activities of Lutheran World Action and Lutheran World Relief passed the \$100,000,000 mark early in August, it was announced by Dr. Paul C. Empe, executive director of the National Lutheran Council.

Out of all the income tax payers who itemized their deductions, just one in ten tithe for religious or charitable purposes, according to a report released by the American Association of Fund-Raising Councils.

The United States will help Japan expand its school lunch program for some 7,400,000 children by supplying \$15 million worth of U. S. wheat and powdered milk.

About 100,000 Bibles will be distributed this year in the Soviet Union, according to a secretary of the American Bible Society. The Bibles will be printed from mats sent behind the Iron Curtain by the Society. Half of them will be printed under Russian Baptist auspices and half under Eastern Orthodox auspices.

Columbia University has acquired a unique Bible phonetically rendered in the Algonquin language of the Massachusetts Bay Colony Indians. Printed in the early 1660's missionary purposes, it is thought to be the first Bible in any language ever published in what is now the United States.

All colleges founded in the United States up to 1785 were founded by some church, according to the National Council of Churches. At the present time, there are 1,835 colleges and universities of all types in the U.S. Of these, 500 are Christian colleges; and of this number, 125 are independent Christian colleges, while the remaining 375 are church-related colleges.

There are two kinds of men who never amount to much — those who cannot do what they are told, and those who can do nothing else. — Cyrus H. K. Curtis.

You don't have to explain something you haven't said. — C. Coolidge.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Very Rev. Msgr. Selmetz, pastor
6 a.m., First Mass.
7:30 a.m., Low Mass.
9 a.m., Children's Mass
10:15 a.m., High Mass.
Weekday Mass, 7:20 a.m.
Holy Communion Sundays.
First Sunday, the Rosary Society.
Second Sunday, Holy Name Society.
Third Sunday, the Catholic Ladies of Columbia.
Fourth Sunday, Children of Mary.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Mercer Avenue at Five Points
Ray J. Walther, pastor
9:15 a.m., Sunday church school.
Promotion Day, Royal Friend, superintendent. Classes for all ages and a lesson for all of life. You are invited to come with your whole family.

10:30 a.m., worship service. Teacher appreciation day. Anthem: "Lead Me Lord" Mrs. J. Clark Mayclin, director. Sermon: "Lively Stones." Come worship God with us.

4:30 p.m., session meeting, new members will be received at this meeting.
5 p.m., friendship feast.
Monday, 7:30 p.m., leadership training school. Zion E. and R. church.

Wednesday, 6 p.m., Westminster choir, 7 p.m., adult choir. Mrs. Clark Mayclin, director.

Thursday, 8 p.m., church school P.T.A. "Parents Are Teachers Too" is the theme of the evening as parents and teachers of the Sunday School come together to discuss ways to better their child's spiritual growth. The skit "John Timothy Martin—Child of the Church" will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Robert Gay. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, 2 p.m., Sunday school parade.
Sunday is rally day.
9 a.m., informal family worship service. 9:30 a.m., Sunday school classes. 10:30 a.m., worship service. Sermon: "This High Calling" Welcome.

FIRST METHODIST
W. Monroe at Fifth Street
Virgil Wesley Sexton, Minister
9:30 a.m., church school. Leonard Soliday, general superintendent, will be in charge. Classes for all ages. Nursery for toddlers and a supervised crib room babies.

10:20 a.m., divine worship. The pastor will continue with the series of sermons based on the Sermon on the Mount. His sermon will be on the topic "Happy Are the Humble." Mrs. Edgar Gerber will play the organ selections: "Angelus" by Massenet, "What a Friend We have in Jesus" by Robert Wilson, and "Short Postlude" by Waggoner. The senior choir under the direction of Leland Neuen will sing the anthem "Sanctus" by Gounod.

The Junior Church group will meet in the Recreation Room during worship hour with Mrs. Raymond Walters as the leader.

1:30 p.m., Visitation committee will meet in the church lounge.
The Intermediate and Senior Youth Fellowship members will attend the World Friendship Banquet at the Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne at 5:30 o'clock. The theme, "Christ Above All The World" will be portrayed by the noted artist, Howard Ellis of Nashville, Tennessee.

Monday, 8 p.m., Evening Circle 1. Mrs. William H. Brown, chairman, will meet in the church lounge.

Tuesday, 8 p.m., Mothers Study Club will meet in the church lounge.

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Family Nite Supper in the church dining room. Bring a covered dish and your table service. Program will follow. All members and friends urged to come to this friendly get-together.

7 p.m., Choir rehearsal.
Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Circle 2. Mrs. Virgil Sexton, 512 Limberlost Trail.

2 p.m., Circles 1 and 4. Mrs. Adrian Baker, 409 Jackson Street.
2 p.m., Dorcas Circle. Mrs. Ralph Smith, 127 S. 74th Street.

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Saturday, Sunday School parade. All children of the church are urged to decorate their bicycles and participate in this parade.

ZION LUTHERAN
West Monroe and Eleventh Street
Edgar P. Schmidt, pastor

The Church With Carillon Bells
Two worship services are conducted each Lord's day at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. "Our Appointment with God" will be the pastor's sermon theme Sunday morning.

The church choir, directed by Robert G. Welsh, will make its first appearance of the new season at the 10:30 service, singing, "Beautiful Savior."

Sunday school classes meet at 9:15 a.m. The adult Bible class will resume its studies Sunday morning at 9:15 in the church nave. This class is led by the pastor. "The Art of Worship" is the title of the new course of study. All adults are cordially invited to attend.

Saturday Bible school for all the grades meets each week from 9:15 to 11:30 o'clock. This Bible school is open to all children of grade school age.

The Walther League will hold a topic and social meeting Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. The meeting begins with refreshments.

The Inter-river Zone of the Walther League, Executive Board, meets Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Parish Hall.

The Stewardship Council meets Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.

Zion Walther League Executive Board meets Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Sunday school teachers staff meets Thursday at 7 and 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday, September 30, at the eight o'clock service, and next Sunday evening at a special youth vesper. Announcements for both these services will be received by the pastor in the church on the hours of 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 o'clock next Friday afternoon and evening.

The chains of habit are too weak to be felt until they are too strong to be broken. Cultivate good habits — like going to the Lutheran church Sunday morning, at either 8 or 10:30 o'clock.

CHURCH OF GOD
628 Cleveland Street

W. H. Kirkpatrick, pastor
8:30 a.m., "Christian Brotherhood Hour," heard over 1380 KC.
9:30 a.m., morning worship hour.
Rev. and Mrs. Ray Price will be with the church for the first service of the revival. Mrs. Price will sing, while Ray plays the electric guitar. Rev. Price will bring the morning message. The Central theme of this revival will be to "Make Christ Known" and to press home to the heart of men the claims of Christ.

10:30 a.m., classes for all ages, under the supervision of Mary Hazelwood, S. S. Supt.

7:30 p.m., evening evangelistic service. Rev. Price bringing the gospel message.

7:30 p.m., each night night week, except Saturday—the Evangelistic services will continue. To all the friends of the Church an invitation is extended to come and make the most of this "Spiritual Crusade" Thursday, Sept. 27, 1956.

Women's Missionary rally will be conducted in the Decatur Church of God, beginning at 9 a.m. continuing through to 3:30 p.m. Mrs. LaFont, returned Missionary, will speak.

TRINITY
Evangelical United Brethren
Madison at Ninth Street
John E. Chambers, minister
9 a.m., Sunday school; Clifford J. Overman, general superintendent.

An attendance goal of 375 has been set for Rally Day, September 30. Classes and departments are working to go "over the top."

10 a.m., morning worship. Message: "Life Needs You." Clara Ellen Hitchcock is organist and Walter Henkel will direct the choir in the anthem, "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" by Bach. We invite you to worship with us.

6:30 p.m., boys and girls fellowship and youth fellowship.
7:30 p.m., evening service. Message: "By Faith Abel"—the third in the series on faith.

Monday, 9 a.m., Stewardship workshop at Fort Wayne First church. The registrations of Chamber Barkley, David Wynn, and the

minister have been sent in.

Monday, 7:30 p.m., second session of the leadership training school at the Zion Evangelical and Reformed church.

Wednesday, 7 p.m., mid-week services, 8 p.m., choir rehearsal.

Friday, 5:30 p.m., ministers and wives dinner at Trinity church.

Saturday, 2 p.m., Sunday school parade, sponsored by the associated churches.

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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
7th & Marshall
C. E. Lykins, Pastor

Sunday school at 9:30. Otho Summan, Supt.

Juniors in charge of Mrs. Geo. Anspaugh.

Worship service at 10:30. Sermon by the pastor.

Young peoples' meeting at 6:45. Evangelistic service at 7:30. Sermon by the pastor.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Visitation Thursday evening at 7:00.

A welcome to all.

MISSIONARY CHURCH
Tenth and Dayton Street
Gerald I. Gerig, Pastor

9:00—Sunday School Hour.
Ralph Myers, General Superintendent.

10:00—Morning Worship Hour.
Pastor will be bringing the second in a series of messages from the book of Philippians.

7:00—Children's Gospel Hour.
Teen—Age M.Y.F.
Adult Fellowship Period.

7:30—Evening Gospel Hour.
Message by the Pastor: "Self Deceived."

Wednesday
7:30—Prayer and Praise.
A warm welcome awaits you at all of our services!

ZION EVANGELICAL AND
Third and Jackson
William C. Feller, Pastor

Church School at 9:00 a.m. Lawrence Roth, superintendent. All classes will meet in their accustomed place under the leadership of their regular teachers. There is a class for every one. Come and bring your family.

Divine Worship at 10:00 a.m. Sermon by the pastor: "Gerald Synod at Worship." The senior choir will sing, "Holy is the Lord" by Holton. Visitors are always welcome in this service. Those without a church home are cordially invited to worship with us.

The greeting committee will be Mr. and Mrs. A. Ashbacher, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stuckey and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Brunkow.

Workshop for adult leaders of youth at Urbana Sunday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Second sessions of the cooperative leadership training school in this church on Monday at 7:30 p.m.

The Ruth and Naomi Circle will meet in the home of Mrs. Rufus Kirchhofer for a potluck dinner on Wednesday at noon. Bring covered dish and table service. Those meeting transportation are asked to be at the church at 11:30 a.m.

Senior choir rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Bethany Circle in the home of Mrs. Calvin Yost at 7:30 p.m.

Friendship Circle in the home of Mrs. Clarence Snyder on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Men's chorus rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:45 p.m.

Regional Synod meeting in Waukegan on Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Catechetical classes on Saturday morning; seniors at 9, juniors at 10 a.m.

Sunday School parade on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Rally Day and Back-to-Church Sunday, Sept. 30.
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221 South Fourth Street
Stuart H. Brightwell, Pastor

9:15 a.m., Sunday school hour.
James J. Strickler, Supt.

10:30 a.m., Morning worship service. Sermon by the pastor. Church choir, directed by George Myers, will sing, "Jesus Savior, Thine I Am" (Peery).

6:30 p.m., Baptist youth fellowship.

7:30 p.m., Evening gospel hour. Sermon by the pastor "The Power of the Word."

The services of our church are open to the public. You will receive a warm welcome in our services.

Church Activities
Monday, Leadership education school at Zion E. & R. church.

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Baptist youth rally at the Baptist church in Dunkirk.

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Midweek hour of prayer and Bible study. 8:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m., "White Cross Night" at the church. Missionary boxes will be prepared for our missionaries.

Friday, 7:30 p.m., Philo class party at home of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Levy at the Homestead.

Saturday, 2 p.m., Annual Sunday school parade sponsored by the Associated churches of Decatur.

BETHANY EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH
Benjamin G. Thomas, minister

Our attendance rose 10% last week. We can make it rise another 20% if we try. Rise up and bring your family to the Lord's house for instruction at Sunday school and worship at 10:00 a.m. We are looking forward to Rally day but we want to be a long ways toward our goal on Sept. 23.

9:00 a.m., Sunday school. Richard E. Maloney, Supt.

10:00 a.m., Divine worship. The choir will sing under the direction of Mr. Norman Guard. The sermon: "From Center to Circumference."

6:00 p.m., The youth fellowship will meet.

Monday, 7:00 - 9:35 p.m., The community leadership training program in the Zion Evangelical and Reformed church.

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., The Come Join Us class meeting.

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST
Nuttman Ave.
Paul D. Parker, Minister

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Michel will be in charge. Enjoy a Bible-centered lesson with us, there are classes for all ages including the Nursery.

Morning worship service 10:30 a.m. Sermon, "The Hour Of Power."

Christian Endeavor 7:00 p.m. The topic considered will be "Open Doors For Christian Youth."

Evening Evangelistic service 7:30 p.m. Sermon by the pastor, "The Spirit Poured Out."

Prayer and Bible study, Wednesday 7:30.

You are invited to attend these services.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Traverse W. Chandler, Minister

Morning worship begins at 9:30 a.m. with the prelude by Mrs. William Bauman at the organ. Following the Call to Worship communion meditation and the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper. The Scripture lesson is found in Psalm 139.

The topic of the minister's sermon will be "My God Is Real" text Psalm 139:5.

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Gerald Strider will sing, "Love Divine"—Peery, k

Junior Church is at 9:30 a.m. in the lower sanctuary. "The Boy Who Loved the River" is the lesson story.

Bible School hour is at 10:30 a.m. Everett Faulkner, Supt. Gerald Strickler, assistant.

The General Meeting of C.W.F. will be held at the church Monday evening at 7:30. Mrs. Harman Kraft will be the leader. Mrs. John Stucky in charge of the worship service.

Our Preacher Says:
We have little to do with the origin of life and the end of life on this earth. But what we do with life is our responsibility. This fact involves the making of choices