



The Sunday School Times marked its 100th anniversary with the January number.

The number of establishments in the United States licensed to sell beer, wine, or liquor, exceed by more than 131,000 the total of all churches, synagogues, and other places of religious worship.

A postage stamp issued in Greenland honors the Christian missionary from whom the country's entire modern history is dated. Bishop Hans Egede of Norway led the settlement of Greenland starting in 1721.

Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy of Los Angeles went to Africa recently looking into farm machinery needs there. He is one of five incorporators of "Agricultural Aids Foundation" organized by Methodist layman, Keith Smith, Long Beach, Calif., to buy and ship new types of simple farm machinery to underprivileged countries.

James D. Kellerbach, United States ambassador to Italy, was given the World Brotherhood Gold Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews for "promoting good will and understanding among all the peoples of the world."

According to Dr. Isidore Margolis of New York, executive director of the National Council of Torah Education, enrollment in the Jewish Day-school systems in the



United States increased from 2,000 to 40,000 pupils in the last decade. The number of institutions rose from 20 to 260 schools. In the same period, budgets for Jewish Day-schools expanded 500%—from \$6,000,000 to \$30,000,000.



1. What seemed to be Pilate's purpose in having the people choose between Jesus and Barabbas?
2. When is silence the best answer?
3. What was Pilate's basic weakness?
4. What constitutes the power and danger of a crowd?
5. In what ways do we seek to evade our responsibilities today?

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

221 South Fourth Street  
Stuart H. Brightwell, Pastor

9:15 a.m. Sunday School Hour. John Mays, Supt. We have a graded school with a class for every age.

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service. The pastor's message is entitled, "The Stewardship of Prayer." The church choir will sing "A Song of Praise" (arranged by Rasley). Mrs. Stuart Brightwell is choir director. Mrs. Eugene Lehman is organist.

6:30 p.m. Baptist Youth Fellowship.

7:30 p.m. — Evening Gospel Hour. "The Faltering Heart" is the sermon topic. Miss Jane Bedwell is organist.

— Church Calendar —

Wednesday —

6:15 p.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

7:00 p.m. Midweek Hour of Prayer.

8:00 p.m. Church choir rehearsal.

Thursday —

4:00 p.m. Church Membership class in the pastor's study.

7:30 p.m. Women's Missionary Society will meet in the church.

Girl's Guild will meet at the church.

The services of our church are open to the public. If you do not attend another church, you are invited to visit our friendly church.

MISSIONARY CHURCH

Tenth and Dayton Streets  
Gerald I. Gerig, Pastor

9:00 — Sunday School Hour. Easter Sunday will mean more to you if you attend the Sundays before. Why not start Sunday School attendance tomorrow?

10:00 — Morning Worship Hour. Pastor bringing the message. Nursery department and junior church for children ages 2 through 11.

6:30 — Pre-service prayer.

6:45 — Teen-age MYF

7:00 — Children's Gospel Hour and Adult Fellowship

7:30 — Evening Gospel Hour

Wednesday 7:30 — Special evangelistic service. Music by the choir, an object lesson for the children, and a message by the Pastor.

8:30 — Choir rehearsal.

Thursday 1:30 — Ladies' prayer meeting at the Lester Strahm home.

Friday 7:30 — Cottage prayer meeting at the Harold Idlewine home.

Saturday 7:00 — Men's prayer meeting.

This is the second week of our special evangelistic — visitation program being conducted between now and Easter. We invite you to attend the special services being held on Sundays and on Wednesday nights.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Mercer Avenue at Five Points  
Harold J. Bond, Minister

9:15 a.m. Sunday School departments and classes will meet.

Royal Friend, general superintendent. Mrs. Chalmers Debolt, superintendent of pre-school; Mrs. James Kocher, superintendent of primary department; Talmadge Campbell, superintendent of junior department; Mrs. H. J. Bond of the junior hi department and Mrs. Clark Mayclin, senior hi department. A warm welcome awaits those who wish to study with us.

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship. The pastor will speak on the theme, "Give us Daily Bread" in the series of sermons on the Lord's Prayer. Organ selections played by Mrs. Haubold include, "Christ Weeps over Jerusalem" by Sergison, "A Lenten Song" by Demorest and "March from Athalia" by Mendelssohn. The church choir will sing under the direction of Mrs. Clint Reed.

An offering for the One Great Hour of Sharing for the refugees of the world will be received.

4:30 p.m. The Junior Youth Fellowship will meet. Mrs. Wayne Schnepf is the leader.

6:00 p.m. Family Night Lenten supper and service.

6:05 We Eat.

6:45 Devotional service by the Westminster Youth Fellowship.

7:00 p.m. The Session committee, on Social Education and Action will report. Robert Flora is chairman.

7:20 p.m. "What We Believe" The Pastor:

— As Christians

— As Presbyterians.

Monday —

6:30 p.m. Men's meeting for all Presbyterians. Robert Chappius will be the speaker.

8:00 p.m. The trustees will meet.

Wednesday —

6:00 p.m. — The Westminster choir will meet.

7:00 p.m. The Chancel choir will meet.

8:00 p.m. The Ruth Circle will meet with Mrs. Bert Townsend Jr.

The Naomi Circle will meet with Mrs. Jane Schauss.

Thursday —

2:30 p.m. The Mary Circle will meet with Mrs. O. K. Baker.

2:30 p.m. The Martha Circle will meet with Miss Madge Hite.

Friday — National meeting of Presbyterian men will open in the Palmer House in Chicago. Attending from this church will be David Langston, Charles Langston, Bud Campbell, Paul Blackburn, Roger Blackburn, Douglas Thompson, Wayne Schnepf, Don Sprunger, Royal Friend and Don Norquest.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. Young Peoples Communicant class.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

7th & Marshall Streets  
C. E. Lykins, pastor

Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Classes for all ages. Attendance contest continues, with jigsaw puzzle pieces awarded to each class making their goal.

Worship service at 10:30 a.m. Our revival workers, Rev. Geo. Brannon and Harold Borgardner, will speak and sing. Vote for pastoral arrangements will be taken.

Young people's service at 6:45. Mr. Borgardner will have charge, singing several numbers and telling something of his experiences.

Evangelistic service, 7:30 p.m., which will be the closing service of the revival meeting.

Prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Family outreach service at 7:30 a.m., Friday evening, place to be announced.

A welcome to all.



#### ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

V. Rev. Msgr. Seimetz, Pastor  
Sunday Masses

6 a.m.

7:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

6 a.m.

7:30 a.m.

8:15 a.m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

West Monroe at Fifth Street  
F. Hansen Sparks, Minister

9:30 a.m. Church School. Our church school under the direction of Mr. Fred Soldner, Superintendent, has provided classes for every member of your family. We have supervised crib room, nursery and kindergarten classes for pre-school children. You will receive a warm welcome when you come to our church school.

10:28 a.m. Divine Worship. Rev. Sparks will preach this fourth Sunday in Lent on the topic: "Christ and the Cross." The Senior choir under the direction of Mr. Leland Neuen will sing "Savior of the World" by Pears and our quartet will sing "Behold, The Savior of Mankind" by Dykes. Miss Helen Haubold, Mr. Leland Neuen, Mrs. James Harkless and Mr. Lyman Hann are the members of our quartet this Sunday morning. Mrs. Edgar Gerber will play "Adagio Lamentoso" by Tschakowski "Lenten Meditation" by Crocker and "Praise Ye The Lord" by Richolson.

This Sunday morning we are welcoming to our worship service the members of the Girl Scouts who are of the Protestant Faith. We extend to each Girl Scout and their leaders a warm welcome.

The Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet in the Chapel at 5:30 o'clock. Guides of the Way are Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Everhart.

The Intermediate Youth Fellowship will meet in the Recreation Room at 5:30 with their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stonestreet.

At six o'clock the Lenten Supper will be served in the Church dining room and all members and friends are invited to this fellowship. The price is 25 cents per person and we are sure you will enjoy this meeting.

At 7:30 in our Sanctuary the Wesley Players of the Wayne Street Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana will present a religious drama for our worship service. This group is directed by Mrs. Lois Peterson Keller and we know you will be greatly rewarded by attending this service.

On Tuesday Evening at 7:30 our Annual Fourth Quarterly Conference meeting will be held in the Chapel with Dr. Byron Stroh, our District Superintendent, presiding. At this meeting the officers and Board members will be elected for the coming year and reports given of the work done in the past year. All members are urged and all Official members are expected to attend.

Wednesday morning from 7:15 to 7:45 o'clock the members of the M.Y.F. will have their Monday Prayer Service in the Chapel.

At 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, the Junior Choir will meet with their leaders Mr. and Mrs. James C. Webb; the Senior Choir will meet in the Sanctuary and the Prayer Service will be held in the Chapel.

Thursday morning the members of the W.S.C.S. will meet at 11 o'clock with the Circles meeting first. This will be followed by a luncheon at noon at a cost of 35 cents per person and at 1 o'clock the general meeting will be held in the Chapel.

We are again planning to have an Easter Lily Memorial Cross on the Altar Easter Sunday morning. Anyone interested in furnishing a Memorial Lily is requested to put their name on a slip of paper with the name or names of the persons for whom the Lily is given and hand it to Mrs. Nilah Neil. She must have the names not later than Sunday, March 15th and she would also like to have those who are planning to give plants, to be placed on the Altar rail to give her their name and the name or names for whom they are being given. She will appreciate your paying at the time you hand her the order.

#### ZION Evangelical and Reformed (United Church of Christ)

Third and Jackson Street  
William C. Feller, pastor

Church school, 9 a.m. Lawrence Rash, assistant superintendent, will be in charge. There are classes for all ages. Come and bring your entire family for the study of God's word.

Divine worship at 10 a.m. Sermon by the pastor: "The Cross, The Power of God." The senior choir will sing, "God So Loved the World" by Stainer. All members and friends of the church are invited to worship in this service. We especially invite those who are without a church home in this community. Visitors are always welcome. We shall observe The One Great Hour of Sharing, with a special offering for world service.

Youth fellowship at 5:30 p.m. Cube one, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warthman. Cube two, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Johnson.

Monday, 6:30 p.m., area consistory conference in Grace E and R church, Ft. Wayne. Our churchmen's brotherhood meeting will be held in conjunction with this meeting, and members of the Brotherhood and the official board are invited to attend. Men are asked to meet at our church, and cars will leave no later than 6 p.m.

The confirmation class will be held Tuesday, 4 p.m.

Youth choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Mid-week Lenten service, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Sermon by the pastor: "The Cross, And Indifference." The Pleasant Mills high school boys quartet will sing.

The Evangelical circle will meet Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., following the Lenten service in the home of Mrs. Donald Moser.

Phoebe Bible class meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Senior choir rehearsal Friday, 7 p.m.

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

Come and worship with us.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Cor. 12th and Washington  
Carroll Myers, minister

Lee Moser, supt.

9:30 a.m., morning worship for everyone. Families should attend this service together. Message: "The Forsaken Savior." Come for worship, remain for study.

10:30 a.m., Sunday school for everyone. Each class is striving to keep their green lights on the light board. Won't you come and bring a visitor to help your class? Every dove and raven should be in their places and bring their friends. The doves are at present ahead. C U N church and Sunday school.

2:30 p.m., youth rally here at our church. A fine program is planned with much local talent. All youth are welcome. Bring your friends and have fellowship with us. Come see the Chemical message. A message illustrated by chemical reactions.

6:30 p.m., choir practice for everyone interested in being in our Easter choir. We need every available singer.

7:30 p.m., gospel hour including gospel singing and preaching. We are considering Revelation for the next few weeks. Come and see.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., prayer meeting and Bible study at the church building. Leader for this week is Ernest Lehman.

Coming: Men's fellowship to meet March 16th at the Warren Church of Christ. All men of this area are urged to attend.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST

Nuttman Avenue  
Paul D. Parker, minister

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Michel will have charge of the school. We are "Reaching For The Stars" by Easter through our Sunday school contact. Every class member is urged to be present, and to bring a visitor. We have classes for all ages.

Morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. "The Solemn Day's Of Life," will be the sermon subject.

Christian endeavor, 7 p.m. "A Tragic Failure," will be the study topic.

Evening evangelistic service, 7:30 p.m. The pastor will speak on the subject, "The Home of the Soul."

Further announcements will be given in the evening service as to the continuation of the current revival services.

#### ZION LUTHERAN

Monroe and 11th Streets  
Richard Ludwig, pastor

Enter to worship—Depart to serve 8 a.m., early service.

9:15 a.m., Bible school for all ages.

10:30 a.m., the late service.

The men's choir will sing in the late service. Their arrangement is by Kessel entitled, "Jesus, Lamb of Calvary."

The sermon is the climax of a series on "The Great Enemies of the Soul," entitled "Sin." It is based on Luke 15:17-19.

Monday, 4 p.m., the finance board will meet. Also on Monday, the Sunday school staff will assemble at 7:30 p.m.

The Evangelism Callers will report on their visits on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, the devotional service for Zion's school will begin at 8:20 a.m.

Mid-week Lenten vespers will be held again Wednesday. For your convenience, two services are offered at 6:45 and at 8:15 p.m. The sermon will be "Victory over Frustration."

The church council will meet Thursday, 8 p.m.

The adult instruction course, entitled "What does the Bible Say?" will begin March 16 at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in Bible teachings is invited to attend, under no obligation to the church. Pastor Ludwig will teach the course, reviewing the basic doctrines of the scriptures, and explaining the position of the Lutheran church with regard to these doctrines. The class will meet once a week for about 3 months.

The Stewardship committee of Zion met last week and adopted a plan to visit every family of the church in a Christian Education Emphasis. The every-member-visit will be conducted sometime after Easter. The visits will be built around the theme: "Let's Talk About the Bible in Your Life."

BETHANY EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

Benj. G. Thomas, Minister

God is good to us in providing a day of rest and worship. Let us come to His House with glad and thankful hearts. Plan to be present on time for the instruction and worship.

9:00 a.m. Sunday School. Mr. Leo M. Feasel, superintendent.

There will be extended session for children at ten o'clock.

10:00 a.m. Divine Worship. Prepare your hearts for the best, the meeting of your soul with God our heavenly father. The Anthem "The Garden of Prayer." The Sermon: "The Sluice Gate."

6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship Hour.

Monday, 7:30 p.m. The Board of Trustees.

Tuesday, 7:30. The Dorcas class.

Wednesday —

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal.

7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer service.

Friday, 6:30 p.m. The Spring Rally of the E. U. B. Men of Decatur, Berne, Geneva and surrounding area. This will be a banquet meeting and Honorable Glen Beams, former prosecuting attorney at Fort Wayne, will speak.

FIRST CHRISTIAN

Edward Pacha, minister

Morning worship, 9:30 a.m.

Church school, 10:30 a.m.

Youth fellowship, 5 p.m.

Thursday evening worship, 8 o'clock.

"Come and worship the Lord" is the cry that goes out. We shall heed this cry this Sunday and we hope that you too will worship. The pastor will bring the message "So You Think You Have Troubles." The chancel choir will sing.



John Bunyan Smith has the following to say about the meaning of the church: "My church is where the Word of God is preached, the power of God felt, the Spirit of God manifested, the love of God revealed, and the unity of God perceived. It is the home of my soul, the altar of my devotion, the hearth of my faith, the center of my affections, and the foretaste of heaven. It claims the first place in my heart, the highest place in

my mind, the principal place in my activities, and its unity, peace and progress are ever my concern. I owe it my zeal, my benevolence, and my prayers. When I neglect its services, I injure its good name, I lessen its power, I discourage its members, and I chill my own soul."

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