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**FIRST METHODIST**  
West Monroe at Fifth Street  
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9:30 a.m., church school. Fred Soldner, superintendent, will preside over our church school where classes are provided for each member of your family. Supervised nursery and kindergarten classes and a lullaby room are available for pre-school children. This first Sunday in the New Year bring your whole family and come to the church school where you will find a warm welcome.

10:20 a.m., divine worship. Rev. Sparks will preside this morning and lead the congregation in the observance of Holy Communion. The senior choir, under the direction of Don Gerig, choir director, will sing: "Blessed Is The Man" by Jones. Mrs. Edgar Gerber will play: "Largo" by Handel; "Beneath Thy Wings O'ershading" by Van Denman Thompson and "The March of Victory" by Heyser.

The senior Methodist youth fellowship will meet at 5:30 o'clock in the lecture room where they will view a filmstrip: "How About A Date." The topic for discussion will be presented by Harry Dally.

Thelma Walters will lead the devotions; Larry Sheets and Joe Smith will be in charge of the recreation and the refreshments will be taken care of by Ruth Soliday and Daniel Theobald. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rice are Guides of the Way.

The Intermediate Youth Fellowship will meet at 5:30 o'clock in the recreation room with their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brodbeck and Mrs. Charles Daniels will sponsor the supper.

Associated Churches meeting

Tuesday, 7 p.m.

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

Senior choir rehearsal Wednesday, 7:15 p.m.

Women's guild meeting, 7:45 p.m.

Heidelberg class meeting Thursday, 6:45 p.m. Members will take down the Christmas decorations before the regular meeting.

Catechetical classes Saturday

morning: seniors at 9, juniors at 10 a.m.

Come and worship with us.

**ZION**  
Evangelical and Reformed  
(United Church of Christ)  
Third and Jackson Streets  
William C. Feller, pastor

Church school at 9 a.m. Lawrence Rash, superintendent. Let's begin the new year by having the entire family in attendance. There are classes for all ages. There will be installation of the newly elected officers and the teachers.

Divine worship, 10 a.m. There will be a brief memorial service for the members of the church who departed this life during the past year.

The annual congregational meeting will follow. There will be election of officers and reports.

All members of the church are urged to be present. The Mission Band will not meet this week.

Youth fellowship at 5:30 p.m. Jack Dailey will tell of his experiences in Japan during the past summer. Devotions will be given by Connie Kless. Mrs. Charles Brodbeck and Mrs. Charles Daniels will sponsor the supper.

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Next Sunday at 7:30 p.m. the Parent Teacher League will have an educational program.

**UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST**

Nuttman Avenue

Wayne A. Smith, minister

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Michel, super. Sunday school for all ages including a nursery for the small children. Sunday school lesson is: "Launching Out On A World Mission." When men reject the gospel they show their unworthiness to hear it.

Morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. Message by pastor.

Christian Endeavor, 7 p.m. Topic: "Help For The New Year."

Evening gospel service, 7:30 p.m. The young people will have charge of the inspirational song service which will be followed by the pastor's message.

Monday evening, 7:30 p.m. will be the beginning night of our two week Revival Services. There will be services every night including Saturday.

Monday evening, 7:30 p.m. will be in charge of the song service each night and there will be special music every night. The pastor will be bringing the messages each night. Everyone is welcome.

Seek the Lord and His strength, will find his face continually. I Chron. 16:11.

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
628 Cleveland Street

Houston Beaver, Jr. pastor

8:30 a.m., "The Christian Brotherhood Hour" over WKJG. Dr. Oldham's subject will be "Separated from Christ."

9:30 a.m., morning worship. Begin this year as would be pleasing to God. Our pastor will speak to us in regards to "Building the House of Worship."

10:40 a.m., Sunday school. Help us to make this year our very best.

6 p.m., youth fellowship. This group will meet in the fellowship hall.

7:30 p.m., evening service. If you are not attending elsewhere, we invite you to be with us for this service.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., prayer service.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Men's Missionary Fellowship.

Saturday, 7:00, Men's prayer meeting.

We believe 1960 can be as bright as the promises of God. Be sure your family worships in one of the fine churches of Decatur.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
North Seventh at Marshall

C. E. Lykins, pastor

Sunday school at 9:30, with a class for each age group. This is the first Sunday of our two months contest with the Garrett school.

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

Young Peoples' meeting at 6:45.

Evangelistic service at 7:30.

With the pastor preaching.

Youth evangelistic services will begin on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., with the singing and preaching.

Dennises, of Nashville, Tenn., and Hagerstown, Ind., in charge. Meetings will continue each evening through Sunday.

The church board will meet in their regular session at 7:30 on Monday evening.

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Christianity is the only religion that abounds in song. Atheism is songless. Certainly agnosticism has nothing to sing about and the various forms of idolatry are not accompanied by singing. Judaism, however, said "O come, let us sing unto the 'Lord,' and when Christ was born, the angels' song was heard by the shepherds. When Colonel Ingersoll, noted infidel, died, the printed notice of his funeral said, "There will be no sing-

ing." Unbelief has no songs, no hymns, no anthems, no oratorios.

Absorbing materialism deadens one's finer sensibilities and kills the song in one's soul. The devout Christian finds an outlet in song. The church service always provides a place for songs of praise to God, and gives the worshipper an opportunity to express his love and gratitude to God. WHY NOT ACCEPT THE INVITATION AND COME TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY?

**ZION LUTHERAN**  
Monroe and 11th Street  
R. C. Ludwig, pastor  
8 a.m., early worship hour.  
9:15 a.m., Sunday Bible school for all ages.

10:30 a.m., the late worship hour. To begin the New Year of Sunday services, the service topic will be, "God Cares for His Own."

In the 10:30 a.m. service, the church officers for 1960 will be inducted into office.

The board of education will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m.

The old and new members of the Stewardship Council will have a meeting Tuesday, 7 p.m.

The choir will practice at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

At 8 p.m., Wednesday, the church council will hold its first meeting of the year.

Thursday, the Needles club will meet, beginning at 10 a.m.

The Saturday school will resume its classes this week, beginning at 9:15 a.m.

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