

# Methodists End Conference Year---Communion Day for Presbyterians

## COMMUNION AT NEW SCENES FOR BAPTISTS

### SYRIAN IN CITY PULPIT

#### MEN'S CLASS FOR CENTRAL

**Solemn Service to be Observed in Church Sunday Morning**

**EXPECT 1000 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SOON**

At West Presbyterian Church tomorrow morning, the Sacrament of Baptism will be administered to infants. The Rev. Alexander Allison, Jr., will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening, taking for his theme at 10:30 o'clock, "The One True Religion," and for his subject at 7:30 o'clock, "The Rich Man's Difficulty." At 2 o'clock the teaching topic in the Men's Bible Class will be, "Divine Healing." The Sunday night praise meetings during the Lenten season will have special emphasis on the musical side. The congregational and choral singing will be inspiring.

The Sunday school will meet at 2 o'clock and visitors and new members will be welcome in all departments. The attendance has been so close to 1000 that it is expected the mark will be reached any Sunday. The Women's Class will be taught by the parish helper, who has returned to her place, and the Men's Class by the pastor. The total attendance in these two classes last week was 234, about equally distributed between the two. It was agreed last Monday evening at the business meeting of the Men's Class to invite the women to a Lenten contest for new members. Each class started with three new enrollments last Monday evening and the plan is to see which can secure the greater number of new members by Easter, April 7. Both classes have been working this week and the first week's results will be announced tomorrow. The musical program will be:

Morning—Organ, "Melodie." Lore; anthem, "Come Sing Before the Lord." Schoebel; offertory, "The God of Abraham Praise." Buck; organ, "Tantum Ergo." Lore; andante and Maestoso; Wely; anthem, "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing." Lerman; quartette, "Bless the Cross, to Wear the Crown." Violante; offertory, "River of Life Flow On." Lacey; organ, "Postlude." Wely.

## METHODISTS TO BURN MORTGAGE

A new individual communion service has been procured by Eastlake M. E. Church and will be used for the first time tomorrow morning, when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. The pastor will preach a brief sermon on "Jesus Meeting His Disciples."

The choir will sing an anthem entitled "Jesus, the Male Quartette and the male quartette will sing "At the Cross."

The evening service will be evangelistic, the pastor's theme being "The Prodigal Son." The male quartette will sing "The Wayside Cross," and Miss Viola Keen will sing "Just One Touch As He Passes By."

Last Sunday morning the entire indebtedness of the church was raised in cash and on Wednesday morning the pastor and Mr. Gambrell attended personally to the payment of the mortgage. A total of \$3,259 has been paid on old debts this year. Mortgage burning exercises will be held on Sunday, March 17.

**MISSIONARY SOCIETY ELECTIONS.**

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church met yesterday at the home of Mrs. George Stewart, No. 55 Clayton street, and elected officers for the coming year as follows:

President, Mrs. A. H. Keylor; vice-president, Mrs. David Robinson; recording secretary, Mrs. Frank Maguigan; corresponding secretary, Miss Jennie Croes; treasurer, Mrs. H. T. Wright; temperance secretary, Mrs. David McHenry; literature and thank offering secretary, Mrs. David Robinson; superintendent junior work, Miss Jennie Croes; assistant junior work, Mrs. Harry Mason.

**A WARNING AGAINST WET FEET.**

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**C. E. ENTERTAINMENT COURSE.**

The entertainment committee of the City Christian Endeavor Union is leaving no effort unused to secure a record crowd at the final entertainment of the course next week. The Trier Quintette, consisting of five women—two pairs of twins—will give their concert in Olivet Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening next. On next Saturday Gilbert A. Eldridge, impersonator, will give the final entertainment in Delaware Avenue Baptist Church.

**ALL DAY ALLIANCE MEETING.**

An all-day meeting of the Christian and Missionary Alliance will be held in the chapel, No. 504 West Fifth street tomorrow. Subjects will be—10:30 a. m.: "A Blessed Gospel," and an "Accursed Ministry;" 3:15 p. m.: "Divine Health, How It May be Obtained and How Retained;" 7:30 p. m.: Evangelistic service. There will be special singing during the day.

**BIBLE STUDENTS MEETING.**

The International Bible students will meet in Red Men's Hall, No. 515 Shipley street Sunday at 2 o'clock. T. H. H. Messenger will be the speaker.

**Delaware Avenue Congregation to Worship in Improved Auditorium**

**NIGHT RECITAL ON THE NEW ORGAN**

Sunday will be a day of new things in Delaware Avenue Baptist Church. The congregation will worship for the first time in weeks in the auditorium, and the new organ will be used for the first time in a church service. The large chorus of forty voices will occupy for the first time the new choir loft. Dr. Milton G. Evans, president of Crozier Theological Seminary will preach at the morning service. The chorus will sing nothing but new anthems all day and the soloists will sing new solos. The organist will give a recital of twenty minutes in the evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The recital will be for the special benefit of those who have not heard the instrument and selections will be chosen to bring out the grandness and sweetness of the instrument. The pastor will preach in the evening on the subject, "New Things." The following is the musical program for the day.

Morning: Organ prelude, "Gaudite." Machment; anthem, "Unfold Ye Portals Everlasting." Gounod; solo, "Jesus Lives." Marzio; Miss Close; Rollins; organ, "Roman March." Clark.

Evening: Recital, organ Venetian Love Song; Nevin; organ, "Serenade." Schubert; organ, "Ententez." Schubert; anthem, "The King of Love My Shepherd is." Shelley; solo, "Come Unto Me." Miss Margaret Cox; anthem, "Recessional;" solo, "Oh, God Be Merciful;" anthem, "Jehovah's Praise." E. H. White; organ postlude, "War March of the Priests." Holz.

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## CHURCH SERVICES

### METHODIST.

St. Paul's M. E. Church, Tenth and Jackson streets, Charles A. Hill, minister. The new church will be dedicated tomorrow. Preaching 10:30, by the Rev. Dr. John Krantz, of New York, and at 7:30 by the Rev. Bishop Luther B. Wilson, of Philadelphia. Sunday School at 2:00, Christian Endeavor, 6:30.

Harrison Street M. E. Church, Seventh and Harrison streets, the Rev. George White Dawson, pastor. Class meeting, 9:15 a. m., George B. Croes, subject, "Paul the Sailor;" 7:30 p. m., subject, "How They Overcame."

Epworth M. E. Church, corner Third and Walnut streets, the Rev. E. C. Macintosh, D. D., pastor. 9 a. m., prayer meeting; 10:30, public worship; 2 p. m., Sunday school; 2:15 the Men's Bible Class; 6:30; Epworth League; 7:30, Sunday School Missionary Anniversary. Miss Alice L. Roop will deliver an address on Japan in native costume.

Epworth M. E. Church, the Rev. L. E. Poole, pastor. Services at 10:30, M. subject, "Paul the Sailor;" 7:30 p. m., subject, "How They Overcame."

### EPISCOPAL.

Immanuel P. E. Church, W. Seventeenth St. and Riverside Ave., the Rev. Kenney J. Hammond, rector. Sunday school, 9:15 a. m. Services, 10:30, Holy Communion; 10:45 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 4 p. m., evening prayer and address. Lenten Services: Wednesday, 7:45. (The Rev. J. Thompson Cole, of Ogontz, Pa., officiating.) Friday, 4 p. m.

Calvary Church, Washington and Third streets, Rev. Joseph Russell Peckham, D. D., rector. Holy Eucharist, 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Matins and sermon, 10:30; evensong and sermon, 7:30. Wednesday morning, Holy Eucharist, 10:00; Thursday evening Lenten Devotions and sermon, 7:45.

St. Matthew's Church, Chippy street near Twelfth. Services: Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m., Sunday school, 12:30. Wednesday, March 13, evening prayer and address by Rev. C. H. Holmead. Rev. William Home-wood in charge.

Trinity Church, corner of Delaware avenue and Adams street. Rev. Frederick M. Kirkus, rector. Rev. Raymond L. Wolven, curate. Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m., Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., Morning Prayer, Litany and sermon at 11 a. m., Evening prayer and sermon at 7:45 p. m. The Rev. F. M. Kirkus will preach in the morning and evening.

**BAPTIST.** North Baptist Church, Sixteenth and Lincoln. Morning subject, "The Believer's Resource for Cleansing;" evening, "Following, Though Afraid."

**PRESBYTERIAN.** Green Hill Presbyterian Church, Kennett Pike near Rising Sun Lane, the Rev. William M. Kieffer, minister. Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m.; Adult Bible Class, led by the minister; Church services at 10:45 a. m., sermon theme by the minister, "The Way, the Truth, the Life." No evening service. All are cordially welcome.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

The Church of the New Jerusalem, the Rev. George Henry Dole, pastor. Morning service, 10:45. Subject, "The Lord's Promise to Reveal Himself."

### THE HEALETH THEIR DISEASES.

Mark 1, 29-45—March 10. "Himself took our infirmities, and bore our sickness."—Matthew viii, 17.

Today's study follows closely the one of a week ago. When Jesus left the Capernaum synagogue He went to St. Peter's home. There St. Peter's mother-in-law lay sick of a fever. It was the work of but a moment for the Savior to take her by the hand and to raise her up to health. Meantime the fame of Jesus had spread and by evening there were crowds importuning His healing words and touch.

And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many demons, and suffered not the demons to speak, because they knew Him. Nothing is more attractive to the human mind than the miraculous power of healing disease. No one enjoys disease and suffering. People would be glad to be healed of disease, even if they were assured that the cures were performed by the power of Satan and the demons. The miracle we see today that many false doctrines, wholly out of harmony with God's Word, commend themselves to the poor, groaning creation by promises of relief from physical ailments, without medicine, and theoretically by the power and favor of God, and suppose that the doctrines advocated by the healers. Gifts of Early Church Were to Pass Away.

But since these healers hold various and antagonistic doctrines, it is manifest that all are not of God, if any of them are. To our understanding, the Bible teaches that no miraculous healing at the present time is authorized by God's Word. St. Paul declared by inspiration that the gifts granted to the early Church, and exercised by Jesus and the Apostles and those to whom they personally communicated, they in part passed away—that they gave place to the next and higher manifestation of Divine favor, namely, the fruits of the Holy Spirit—meekness, gentleness, long-suffering and love—as evidences of God's favor and of membership in the Church of the First-born. The miracles were merely with a view to the establishment of the early church. Nowhere is it intimated that it was the Divine will that all people should be healed of disease during this Age. The general healing of disease will doubtless be a prominent feature of

the work of Messiah's glorious Kingdom, after its establishment. Not only will the ailments of the flesh be lifted, but restitution processes will go on; stop by step, lifting humanity out of all disease and imperfection, up to full and absolute perfection, except in the case of those who willfully and deliberately oppose the Divine arrangement, and who, in due time, will be cut off from life in the Second Death. All the remainder will ultimately reach the glorious condition of perfection mentioned in the Scriptures, where there will be no more sighing, no more crying, no more dying, because all the former things of sin and death will have passed away; because He that sitteth upon the Throne will make all things new.—Revelation xxi, 4, 5. **Satan an Angel of Light.**

St. Paul intimated that Satan and his messengers, the fallen angels, would seek to transform themselves so as to appear "as angels of light," that they might exercise the greater influence over humanity, and that thereby they might inculcate the more successfully false doctrines, subversive of true faith in God and His Word. We believe that the Apostle's words are particularly applicable in our day and that many conscientious and good people are being deceived, and that miraculous healings are part of the Adversary's bait. It would not be appropriate for us to enumerate here the different doctrines which we believe are thus baited. We content ourselves by giving the Scriptural reason for expecting no miraculous healings from God at the present time.

It is quite true that under the Law Covenant which God made with Israel He agreed that sickness would be a penalty for violation of the Law, and health a reward for the obedient. The statement of the Prophet, "Who healeth all thy diseases," was applicable physically to the Israelites under the Law Covenant. It has also a spiritual application to the Church, the New Creation.

But the healing of the New Creation and the healing of his flesh are different things. The New Creation's soul sickness and heart troubles are all cured by the Good Physician—even though his flesh may suffer pain and go down into death. We are to remember that the condition upon which we are begotten of the Holy Spirit to be new creatures was a full surrender of the flesh and its inter-

ests as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable, which is our reasonable service.—Romans xii, 1.

Nor is this any change from the Lord's dealings with the Church from the very beginning. So far as the records show, all, or nearly all, who were healed by Jesus and the Apostles, were "sinners." Surely there is no record of a single instance in which any of the Apostles were healed of any disease. Although St. Paul healed many sick, yet when Epaphroditus was sick and "nigh unto death" we have no mention of any attempt to miraculously recover him.

Similarly, in the case of Timothy, we find that St. Paul neither sent him napkins and handkerchiefs for his healing, nor advised him to pray for his own healing. On the contrary, he advised certain medicines, "for thy stomach's sake." Indeed we believe that for God's consecrated people to ask for physical healing would be to attempt to take back again what they have specifically consecrated to the Lord—"even unto death." Furthermore, let us remember that the miracles performed by Jesus and the Apostles were not attempts to heal all sickness, to banish pain and sorrow.

**A Cleansed Leper Thankful.** Today's lesson mentions another case of healing. Leprosy was regarded by the Jews as an incurable disease and as a type of sin. The leper of this study had faith in the power of Jesus, and came and knelt before Him and entreated healing, cleansing. His prayer was answered.

Jesus admonished the leper not to make known so great a miracle; but in his thankfulness he could not restrain himself; he told it everywhere. The result was that Jesus could not thereafter visit the large cities because He would be overwhelmed with the number of sick brought to Him for healing. He therefore frequented the rural districts, but even then the people sought Him for healing, from every quarter.

But alas! they were more appreciative of the restitution blessings than the great privilege which our Lord specially offered them of becoming His followers and joint-heirs in His Kingdom, which, by and by, will disperse restitution blessings and healing far and near to every member of Adam's race condemned through the fall of Adam, and redeemed by the precious blood of Calvary.

## SPECIAL NIGHT SERVICES AT EASTLAKE

"Evangelism" will be the keynote of all the services at the Eastlake Presbyterian Church for the month of March. At the services tomorrow the Rev. Henry Cunningham will preach. The topic for the service at 7 o'clock will be, "The Greatest Human Work in the World."

The Sunday school and Bible class for men and women taught by the pastor, will meet at 2 o'clock. The topic for the Christian Endeavor meeting at 7 o'clock will be, "Christian Testimony That Counts."

In the evening a series of special services will be begun. A printed program containing the responsive readings, the hymns, and other parts to be used in the service, will be given to each worshiper.

The program for the service tomorrow evening is entitled, "Matthew." The music by the choir and congregation fills the larger part of the hour of worship. The pastor will speak on "Matthew, the Publican of Today."

**GOSPEL MEETING.** A gospel meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Marahman, No. 702 Poplar street, every Tuesday evening, at 7:45 o'clock. An elder from Faith Tabernacle, Philadelphia, will be in charge.

**Church of Christian Companions.** The Lord's Supper will be held at 10:30 o'clock, every Tuesday evening, at 7:45 o'clock. An elder from Faith Tabernacle, Philadelphia, will be in charge.

**ADDITIONAL CHURCH NEWS ON PAGE NINE.**

## SILVERBROOK ENDS A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Silverbroom Church closes a successful year and maintains the record of the past. There have been 41 conversions. At the morning service tomorrow the annual church thanksgiving service will be held. An interesting program has been arranged and all the departments of the church are expected to be present. For three Sundays the attendance at the Sabbath school was the largest in the history of the church. The pastor hopes that tomorrow's attendance will break all previous records.

The Junior League and Epworth League will meet at the usual hours. A song service, preaching and revival will be held at the evening service.

An opportunity will be given at the morning and evening service to persons desiring to unite with the church.

**Y. M. C. A. MEETING SUNDAY.** The Hon. W. W. MacEless will address the Men's Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow. He is a former district attorney of Pennsylvania.

For his subject Mr. MacEless will have "The Resurrection of Jesus Christ from a Lawyer's Standpoint." Last fall he lectured here on the "Trial of Christ, from a Lawyer's Standpoint," but his lecture of Sunday promises to be more interesting than the previous one which was attended by the largest audience of any service held in our building.

The special musical attraction of the afternoon will be the Male Quartette of the Princeton University Glee Club.

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## SYRIAN IN CITY PULPIT

**Distinguished Visitor Will Interpret the Twenty-third Psalm**

**ALSO GIVE PERSONAL EXPERIENCES OF COUNTRY**

Interest centers in the visit and addresses of the Rev. Paddoul Moghabghab tomorrow at the First Presbyterian Church, Market above Ninth. Mr. Moghabghab is the "Syrian Guest" who narrates the story of the twenty-third Psalm as told by the Rev. William Knight in his "Song of the Syrian Guest." He was born in the heart of Mount Lebanon, near the famous cedars. His father was converted through reading a Bible which he had plundered from one of the Druses against whom he was fighting. This Druse was using the leaves of the Bible for cartridges. He became converted and was ordained minister over the first church that was built in Mount Lebanon since the days of the Apostles, and for thirty-three years was a Protestant minister. Three of his sons, including the speaker of Sunday evening, are graduates of the Syrian Protestant College in Beirut.

If any one thing more than another influenced Mr. Moghabghab to devote his life almost exclusively to the telling of the twenty-third Psalm it was the scene at his father's deathbed. His father called him to read it once more. He then continued: "It had been his greatest comfort in the days of his persecution; in the days when, for the sake of the Saviour, he was excommunicated, separated from his family, expelled from his home, and forced to take refuge in a Druse house. When I began to read by his bedside, 'The Lord is my shepherd,' I beheld the tears dropping on his cheeks, and mine started immediately. He looked at me and tried to raise himself, but his strength failed him and he could only say, 'May the Good Shepherd be always yours as He has been mine.'"

Mr. Moghabghab has sounded the depths of this Psalm and his lecture on Sunday evening will be helpful and fascinating. The church will be crowded beyond doubt. The services will begin at 7:45 o'clock.

The chorus choir will sing as an anthem, "The King of Love My Shepherd is."

Mr. Moghabghab has consented also to address the Men's Bible Class, taught by the minister, the Rev. J. Ross Stonelifer, at 2:15 o'clock in the church auditorium. Last Sunday there was an attendance of 75 and it is believed still more will be present tomorrow.

In the morning the pastor will have for his theme, "A High Estimate of Religion."

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