

# Interdenominational Sunday Night Meetings on the Court House Plaza

## SUMMER SCHEDULE AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Harry J. Guthrie To Sing Solo at Patriotic Service Tomorrow

## DR. COLLINS PLANS FOR HIS VACATION

At St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, D. D., pastor, the summer schedule of services begins Sunday, as follows: Class meeting at 9:30 o'clock, meeting in the same room, as usual; at 10 o'clock the Sunday school and the lesson will be taught by Mrs. J. H. Hurlington; at 11 o'clock Dr. Collins will preach on the theme, "Darkness and Dawn," and the sacrament of the Holy Communion will be administered at close of the sermon.

Vesper services will be at 7 o'clock, the first half-hour being in charge of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. At 7:30 o'clock Rev. A. W. Davis will preach, the subject being, "The New Patriotism." At this service Harry J. Guthrie will sing a solo, "My Dear United States," by request.

Dr. Collins has planned to take the month of August for his vacation. The pulpit supplies as now arranged are: August 8, Rev. J. H. Beauchamp; August 15, Dr. S. M. Morgan; August 22, Dr. H. G. Budd, principal of Wilmington Conference Academy, and August 29, Rev. E. C. Prettyman, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Delaware.

## "CHRISTIAN PATRIOTISM"

Central Presbyterian Church, King street, below Eighth, will observe the nation's birthday at the morning service tomorrow. The Rev. J. H. Crawford will preach on "Christian Patriotism." Miss Ruth Wilson will sing two solos at this service.

The Sunday School will meet at 11:55, continuing one hour. In the evening the church will join in the services on the court house lawn beginning at 6:15 o'clock.

## DR. MORGAN AT BRANDYWINE

Services in Brandywine M. E. Church, Twenty-second and Market, the Rev. F. P. Carpenter, pastor, will be as follows: 9:30 o'clock, Sunday school; 10:30 o'clock, preaching, by the Rev. S. M. Morgan, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 7 o'clock, twilight service, with patriotic exercises by the junior department of the Sunday school, and address by Caleb E. Burchenal.

## ADVENTISTS SERVICES

In the First Seventh Day Adventist Church, Howland and Clayton streets, the order of services is as follows: Prayer meeting, every Friday night, at 7:45 o'clock; Sabbath school, every Saturday, at 9:30 o'clock; preaching or other services, at 11 o'clock; young people's meeting at 8 o'clock. The Rev. L. E. Froom is pastor.

## COMMUNION DAY AT HOPE

Services in Hope Baptist Church, Twenty-third and Pine streets, the Rev. Charles F. Carril, pastor, tomorrow will be as follows: Preaching and communion at 10:45 o'clock; Bible School at 2:15 o'clock. Twilight services at 7 o'clock. Twilight services will be conducted at 7 o'clock every Sunday evening during July and August.

## CHRIST AND IMMANUEL SERVICES

Services at Christ Church, Christians hundred, on Sunday will be as follows: 10:45 o'clock, litany and Holy Communion; 4:30 o'clock, evening prayer and address.

## AT IMMANUEL CHURCH, HIGHLANDS

The following order will be observed: 10:45 o'clock, Holy Communion; 7:45 o'clock, evening prayer and address. Sunday school will meet in each church at 9:30 o'clock.

## MR. KIRKUS AT TRINITY

The usual services will be held tomorrow in Trinity P. E. Church. The Rev. F. M. Kirkus will be the preacher.

## CHILDREN'S SERVICE AT THE FIRST U. P. CHURCH

In First Methodist Protestant Church, Seventh street, below Walnut, the Rev. G. A. Robinson, pastor, Sunday services will be as follows: Class meeting at 9:30 o'clock, by C. W. Corrie; 10:30 o'clock, patriotic service of song and preaching, by the pastor; Sabbath school at 2:15 o'clock; children's day service at 7:30 o'clock.

The children's day program follows: Opening, chorus, "Trust in God and Do Your Best," school; prayer, by pastor, the Rev. G. A. Robinson; greeting, Mildred Sweeney; responsive reading, school; hymn, "Happy Day of Gladness," school; recitation, "The Children's Offering," Lena Coffin; dialogue, "God's Care," by four girls; hymn, "Who'll Be a Volunteer," school; recitation, "His Little Girl," Sallie Sweeney; dialogue, "Missions and Sundays," Thomas and Herman Marvel; hymn, "To Shining Heights," school; recitation, "A Splendid Machine," Harry Sweeney; recitation, "Children's Day Welcome," Luetta Gregg; hymn, "Under the Shade," school; recitation, "Across the Sea," Alfred Massey; recitation, "Selected," Ralph Pearson; hymn, "Where My King Leads On," school; primary song, "His Care for Us All," primary class; recitation, "Walter's Troubles," Sammy Sweeney; dialogue, "Moving Pictures and Missions," two girls; hymn, "O Glorious Throng," school; recitation, "Selected," George Dickinson; remarks, by the pastor; hymn, "Christ for All the World," school; benediction.

## BURNING OF HUSS; MARTYR

In North Baptist Church, Lincoln street, near Delaware avenue, Rev. William L. Pettigill will preach. In view of the fact that next Tuesday will be the 500th anniversary of the burning of Joan Huss, the Bohemian martyr, the morning subject will be: "The Connection Between the Burning of John Huss and the Achievement of American Independence." The evening subject will be "The Glorious Liberty of the Sons of God." The young people's meeting at 6:45 p. m. will be conducted by Miss Nettie Marsden.

## EZION CHURCH SERVICES

In Ezion M. E. Church, Ninth and French streets, the Rev. W. T. Hensley, pastor, Sunday services will be as follows: Morning sermon on the subject, "Spiritual Growth—Time, Place, Patience," followed by the Lord's Supper, Sunday school at 2:30 o'clock. Evening sermon at 7:30 o'clock. Commencing Sunday, July 11, the Sunday school will meet in the morning. The Epworth League will discontinue its 6:45 o'clock meeting.

## SERVICES AT KINGSWOOD

At Kingswood M. E. Church, Fourth and Clayton streets, the Rev. L. M. Broadway, pastor, services tomorrow will be as follows: At 9:30 o'clock, class meeting, W. A. De Corse, leader; 10:30 o'clock, preaching of patriotic sermon by the pastor; 2 o'clock, Sunday school; 6:30 o'clock, Epworth League devotional services, led by John F. Elschholz, followed with sermon.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Park Place and Van Buren street, will hold regular service tomorrow at 11 o'clock, the subject being: "God." The Sunday school convenes at 9:45 o'clock.

## EXPLAIN INDEPENDENCE DAY

"The Meaning of Independence Day" will be the subject of the sermon by the pastor tomorrow morning in First United Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Broome streets.

"The Meaning of Christian Service" will be the subject for the evening sermon. Sunday school will meet at 10 o'clock. The preaching hour will be 11 o'clock and 7:45 o'clock.

## VISITORS AT EASTLAKE

In Eastlake M. E. Church tomorrow morning the Rev. Charles Sullivan will preach. Twilight service will be held at 6:30 o'clock. The Christian Endeavor Society will have charge of the song service at 7 o'clock. Samuel Ely will preach the evening sermon.



## THE THANKLESS ABSALOM.

2 Samuel 18:1-15.—July 4  
The Story of Absalom—How Different From His Father—His Wasted Opportunities—His Contemptible End as a Traitor and Disobedient Son Who Sought His Father's Life—The Boy the Father of the Man—The Responsibility of Parents—The Child What the Parents Make Him—Eugenics Not Sufficient.

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right."—Ephesians 6:1  
"Sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child!"  
Our study of today discusses the death of Absalom. It is sufficiently explicit without comment. It will be of value to us, however, to review the life of this young prince and to note some of his failures. In the first place, he was not well-born. His mother, King David's wife, was the daughter of a heathen king near by. He also had the disadvantage of being a member of the royal family and not being required to labor with sweat of face.

Absalom is first brought prominently to our attention by his murder of his half-brother, Amnon, to avenge his sister's honor. For this he fled to the protection of his grandfather. He was thus still further removed from any good influences associated with his father and with the true religion. After several years' absence, his father, who had never ceased to love him and mourn him, was induced to invite Absalom back to Jerusalem—where for two years more he declined to receive his son into his presence. All these influences were unfavorable to the young man, but none of them can excuse his treachery to his father.

Absalom's Conspiracy.  
There were judges throughout the land of Israel for the deciding of ordinary causes of discontent; but when their decisions were unsatisfactory, appeal was made to the king. King David was busily engaged in preparing the materials for the Temple, which was not to be built until after his death. This was, to some extent, having hindered his work as superior judge, so that some cases, as in every superior court, were delayed of a hearing—tenuously, it seemed to those impatient for desired results.

We are not sure, however, that there was anything lacking on King David's part as respects the administration of justice. We merely know that his crafty son, Absalom, was very gracious to the

people, familiar with them, always ready to hear their complaints; and that he answered them very cunningly, expressing sorrow for their delay, and saying: "Would that I were king! It would be different! Thus by deception, by intrigue, by falsehood, he 'stole the hearts of the people' from his father. The people really began to think that if he were the king they would be immensely better off. They seem to have overlooked entirely the fact that God was the King of Israel; and that King David merely sat upon the Throne of the Lord. —1 Chronicle: 29:23.

Absalom was spectacular, a beautiful prince, with long, wavy hair. He rode in his chariot, and before him were fifty swift runners, his heralds. The thoughtless people admired this; and at least one wise man was drawn away by the infectious infatuation of this glitter.  
Absalom knew of his father's religious sentiments, which apparently he did not at all share. He realized that he would not probably be his father's choice for a successor; and that the time for a new king was not far off, as King David was becoming aged. Following Satan's course of ambition and disloyalty to God, he became disloyal to his father, the king. He recruited an army, proclaimed himself king, and did the matter so quickly and thoroughly, with the sympathy of many people whose hearts he had stolen, that King David, his regular army and the loyal courtiers were obliged to flee for their lives. Our lesson recounts the battle between Absalom's smaller forces and King David's superior forces, which, however, were better trained soldiers. The victory came to King David. Absalom was slain, notwithstanding David's urgent request of his soldiers that they should not kill the young man, his son.

What a contrast we have here between the man after God's own heart and the man whom the people admired—the flabby, the showy, the ambitious, the deceitful, the intriguing, the rebellious, who sought his father's life! The man of God, notwithstanding his weaknesses, which were acknowledged and repented of, had a heart of loyalty to God, true as the needle to the pole; and he had a sympathetic love for his son, which found expression in that notable dirge, "O Absalom, my son, my son, would God I had died for thee!"  
A Very Important Principle.  
The human will is wonderful, so

that we might almost say that each boy is responsible for his own career. Our expression, a half-made man, is therefore not far wrong. This, however, does not excuse the parent whose duty it is to see that a proper child is born into the world, reasonably gifted—not merely outwardly beautiful, but, conscientious, just, loyal to God and to the principles of righteousness. Nor does it excuse the parent from giving the child proper conceptions of life, proper instruction for the Scriptures say, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."—Proverbs 22:6.

It seems pitiful indeed that, with all the preaching and teaching of centuries, so few parents realize their obligations toward the children they bring into the world. So few fathers realize that they are the protectors and care-takers of their wives and of their offspring; and that it is their duty and privilege, not only to select a noble, conscientious wife to be the mother of the family, but to place her under favorable conditions during the period of gestation, and generally to assist her to keep her mind and her heart pure, loving, noble, loyal to God and to righteous principles, that their child may be well birthmarked, of noble character less seriously marked and blemished with sin than would otherwise be the case. Well do the Scriptures declare that the people perish for lack of knowledge.—Hosea 4:6.

True, we have eugenics thrust upon our attention everywhere; but to what purpose? Important as this teaching is respecting health and proper choice of a life-companion, it sinks into insignificance in comparison to the principle we are noting; namely, that the mother's mind during the period of gestation is stamping and impressing, favorably or unfavorably, the child's character. It of course would not be possible for a mother to produce a perfect child; but with her own ideals high, true and unwavering, fixed upon things pure, noble and good, her child would thus be greatly benefited physically, intellectually and morally. On the other hand, if we have pointed out in the PHOTO-DRAMA OF CREATION, the perfect mother, Eve, could and did mark her son Cain with a jealous, unhappy disposition, which eventuated in his murdering his brother.

## PRIMARY EXERCISES IN PRESENCE OF THE SCHOOL

West Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Washington streets, will be open for all the regular services all summer. The Bible School assemblies at 10 o'clock. Just 524 persons present was the summer morning record last Sunday.

Miss Grace Baird will conduct the interesting exercises of her primary department in the presence of the entire school tomorrow.

Public worship will be held at 11 o'clock, with a brief message by Dr. Smiley, the pastor. There will be a popular gospel meeting at 7:30 o'clock, with a song service by the congregation, led by the chorus choir and an address by the pastor. Each service is for one hour. There will be a prayer and praise service on Wednesday evening, from 8 to 9 o'clock.

## CITIZENS' DUTIES TO BE THEME OF SERMON

The National Independence Day will be observed tomorrow at the Eastlake Presbyterian Church, Twenty-seventh and Market streets.

Sunday school and pastor's Bible class will meet at 10 a. m. Worship and preaching at 11 a. m. The theme of the sermon will be: "The Privileges and Duties of an American Citizen."

The music will be as follows: Organ prelude, by Gounod; anthem, "I Will Lift Up My Eyes unto the Hills," Meyer; postlude, national anthem.

Union outdoor service on the Court House lawn at 6:15 o'clock.

## SUNDAY AT ASBURY

At Asbury M. E. Church, Third and Walnut streets, the Rev. George White Dawson, pastor, services tomorrow will be as follows: 9 o'clock, prayer meeting; 10:30 o'clock, preaching on "Remembering Our Saviour," followed by the sacrament of the Lord's supper and reception of probationers; 2 o'clock, Sunday school; 6:30 o'clock, Epworth League; 7:30 o'clock, preaching on subject: "The Liberty of Our Nation." Singing by the young people's choir.

## MR. DAVIS AT OLIVET

The summer schedule of services will go into effect at Olivet Presbyterian Church, Fourth and Broome streets, tomorrow. The Sunday school will meet at 10 o'clock. At 11 o'clock tomorrow there will be a patriotic service with an address by Alonzo W. Davis. In the evening the congregation will join in the union services on the Court House lawn.

## SUNDAY BREAKFAST MISSION

Services are being held nightly in Sunday Breakfast Mission, No. 115 Shipley street. John McIntosh will have charge of the service tonight at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Annie E. De Night will have charge of the service tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 o'clock. Free lunch will be served the men Sunday evening.

## SUNDAY AT ST. JOHN'S

Services in St. John's Church tomorrow will be as follows: 7:30 a. m., 11 a. m., 7:45 p. m. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.

## SUMMER SCHEDULE AT WESLEY

Sunday services in Wesley M. E. Church, the Rev. George A. Cooke, pastor, will be as follows: Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Preaching services at 11 o'clock and 7:45 o'clock.

## DR. RANDOLPH TO BE UNION PREACHER

Grace and Delaware Avenue Congregations Will Worship Together

## POPULAR SERMONS BY THE SPEAKER

Tomorrow the first of the union services of Grace Church and Delaware Avenue Baptist Church congregation will be held. During July, Dr. Randolph, pastor of Grace Church, will preach at the 10:45 morning and the 7:30 evening services in Grace Church. The subject of tomorrow morning's sermon will be, "Liberty—Its Privileges and Perils." At the 7:30 o'clock, Dr. Randolph will preach the second in the series of sermons on "A Picture Gallery of Modern Men." The subject for tomorrow evening's sermon in this series will be "The Man Who Sings at His Work." Dr. Randolph will also be the preacher at the twilight services on the Court House lawn tomorrow evening, where he will speak on the subject, "A New Declaration of Independence."

## SHORT SERVICES AT MADELEY

The summer order of services for Madeley M. E. Church, corner B and Claymont streets, the Rev. E. H. Collins, pastor, will begin tomorrow, and continue during July and August. The order of the day will be as follows: 9:30 o'clock, class meeting, led by John Ford; 10:30 o'clock, preaching on "How Our Lives May Be Consecrated to Our Country," by pastor; 8 o'clock, people's popular praise service, continuing one hour. Professor John T. Magee and his chorus choir will be at their place all the summer.

## PATRIOTIC SERVICE AT SCOTT

At Scott M. E. Church, the Rev. W. A. Wise, pastor, the following services have been arranged for tomorrow: 9:15 o'clock, class meeting, directed by Lewis T. Grubb; 10:30 o'clock, communion of the Lord's supper and second class of probationers admitted; 2 o'clock, Sunday school; 6:30 o'clock, patriotic song service, with brief appropriate address by the pastor.

## MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Communion services will be held at the Christian Missionary Alliance chapel on West Fifth street, between Washington and Jefferson, tomorrow. Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. H. M. Shuman, at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. The Sunday school is at 2 o'clock and the young people's meeting at 7 o'clock.

## SWEDISH CHURCH SERVICES

Services at the Swedish Baptist Church, corner Vandever avenue and Church street, tomorrow, will be: Preaching at 10:45 o'clock, by the Rev. O. Okerlund; Sunday school at 12 o'clock; evening service beginning at 7 o'clock.

## POLISH SUNDAY SERVICE

The Polish branch of the Associated Bible Students of the I. B. S. A. will meet in the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, No. 907 Tatnall street, Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. The service will be in Polish.

## JUDGE PRICKETT TO ADDRESS SUNDAY SCHOOL

The regular public services will be held in the Second Baptist Church, Ninth and Franklin streets, tomorrow. The Rev. Thomas P. Holloway will preach at 11 o'clock on "Abiding in Christ." On the other hand, at the Lord's Supper and hand of Christian Fellowship to new members will follow the sermon. The evening preaching will begin at 7:45 o'clock. The minister's theme will be "Mistaken Patriotism." The Bible school during July and August will begin its session at 10 o'clock. The first session of the morning school tomorrow will be of unusual interest, as Judge William S. Prickett will address the Sunday school.

## MORE MEMBERS FOR UNION

Tomorrow will be new member day at Union M. E. Church. Sixty-five persons have recently joined the church and other applications are in for tomorrow. The Sunday school is held from 10 to 11 o'clock; public service from 1 to 12, and the twilight service from 7 to 8 o'clock.

## REV. DOWNING TO OPEN 60-DAY CAMPAIGN JULY 4

Christ said, "Go ye into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in."

This is what the Rev. Robert L. Downing, ex-actor, is to do for the next sixty days at Concord Heights. He will have a tent, seats and piano. On Sunday night he will tell how the Lord has opened the way.

Meetings will be held every night, at 7 o'clock. There will be solos and congregational singing. All Christian workers are invited to assist. Itineraries and Washington street cars will run to the ground. Everybody is invited.

## GERMAN BAPTIST SERVICES

Regular services will be held in the German Baptist Church, Fifth and Walnut streets, by the pastor, Rev. C. Schenk, tomorrow. There will be preaching at 10:30 and 7:30 o'clock. The Sunday school will meet from 12 to 1 o'clock. Prayer meeting is held on Wednesday evening.

## SERVICES AT ST. LUKE'S

The services at St. Luke's Reformed Episcopal Church, Eighth and Monroe streets, tomorrow will be: Morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon at 10:30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 to 1 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday at 8 o'clock prayer meeting. Rev. William Lanning is rector.

## HOLD PATRIOTIC SERVICE

The summer schedule of services at Silverbrook M. E. Church, Lancaster and Woodlawn avenues, the Rev. J. Howard Gray, pastor, is proving popular. The Sunday school, including the Dryden Bible Bible class for men, will meet at 10 o'clock. Preaching and communion service will be held at 11 o'clock, and twilight patriotic services at 7 o'clock. The theme of the patriotic sermon by the pastor will be: "The Weapons of our Warfare." There will be special patriotic music. There will not be any class services on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

## HOLY TRINITY SERVICES

Divine services in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Concord avenue and Madison streets, will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. George I. Uhler, tomorrow, as follows: Morning subject, "Holy Zeal"; evening, "The Blessings of Reading." The hours for service are 11 and 7:45 o'clock, respectively, and Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

## MT. BETHEL SERVICES

Services in Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, No. 416 West Front street, on Sunday will be as follows: Preaching at 11 o'clock. Class at 12 o'clock. Preaching at 7:45 o'clock. The Rev. E. F. Cordin is pastor.

## ELSMERE SERVICES

Services in Elsmere Presbyterian Church tomorrow will be as follows: Sermon, at 10:30 o'clock, on the subject, "A Vision of God"; evening twilight service, on the subject, "Christian Liberty." Bible school at 2:15 o'clock.

# Two Anniversaries of Freedom

July 4th celebrates the anniversary of the American Declaration of Independence. Through that Declaration was marked the birth of the nation's freedom. It will be commemorated tomorrow in almost every church by song, anthem and sermon.

What July 4th means to our nation, Sunday means to the Christian. Commemorating the Resurrection of Christ, our Saviour, Sunday brings to us the opportunity to study and hear taught those religious truths which are best expressed in the words of our Master

**"Ye Shall Know the Truth, and the Truth Shall Make You Free"**

To the city of Wilmington comes a united invitation from all the churches, to join in the celebration of these two great anniversaries of freedom. Your personal freedom will be of far greater value to you if you hear of that supreme sacrifice of self made by your Saviour, who when He died, gave Himself to the world, that the world might be saved.

# Go To Church Tomorrow

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## The Lord Meets With His People

The

### Westminster Presbyterian Church

(Morning Worship 10:30)

Chimes Double Quartette.