

'Messiah' Set On Sunday at 4

Handel's timeless Christmas oratorio, "The Messiah," will be presented this Sunday afternoon at 4 in the First Christian Church, 2930 Eldorado, featuring the combined talents of 16 church choirs in this area and four soloists.

Frank K. Owen, who will direct the local performance for the second straight year, is dean of the Los Angeles chapter of American Guild of Organists and a member of the music commission for Los Angeles. Director of the St. Paul's Cathedral choir, he also leads one of the five boys' choir schools in the country.

Soloists Repeat
Soloists for the performance will include three of the four who appear last year—Trudy Troy, alto soloist for the First Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, and Wayne Anderson and Don Ogren, tenor and bass soloists, respectively, at St. Paul's Cathedral. Elizabeth Moser, soprano soloist at All Saints' Church, Pasadena, will make her first appearance.

Mrs. Orpha Meissner, organist at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, and Mrs. Ruth White, organist at the First Methodist Church, will be accompanists.

16 Choirs Chosen
Participating choirs include those from these churches: First Baptist, First Lutheran, Nativity Catholic, First Methodist, Seventh-Day Adventist, First Christian, Lomita Presbyterian, United Brethren, Riviera Presbyterian, St. Paul's Episcopal, Lomita Missionary, St. Catherine Labouré, Seaside Community, Narbonne Baptist, and Lutheran Church of the Resurrection.

"The Messiah" will be presented simultaneously Sunday in 78 churches in various areas throughout the greater Los Angeles area. It is sponsored by the Church Federation of Los Angeles, directed by Dr. Gordon Bachlund, who originated the idea. Begun in 1946, the number of presentations has increased each year and was begun here three years ago.

Laurence Sargent is area chairman, assisted by a local committee.

Communion Set Sunday By Lutherans

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 11 a.m. service Sunday at the Trinity Lutheran Church of San Pedro, 7th St. near Weymouth Ave., according to Pastor Lester W. Hoffmann, whose sermon topic will be "Receive Your King."

Sunday School will be held at 9:30 a.m., with a junior worship service. Luther League meeting will be at 7 p.m.

Other events for next week include:
Tuesday—The evening section of the Ladies' Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. R. C. Piper, 1710-C Seacraft, San Pedro, at 8 p.m.

Tuesday—Confirmation class will meet at 3:45.

Wednesday—Adult information class will make a study of "Sin" at 8 p.m., while at 8 p.m., the Mid-Week Bible Study will take up the book of Acts; the Ladies' Guild also will hold its annual Christmas party.

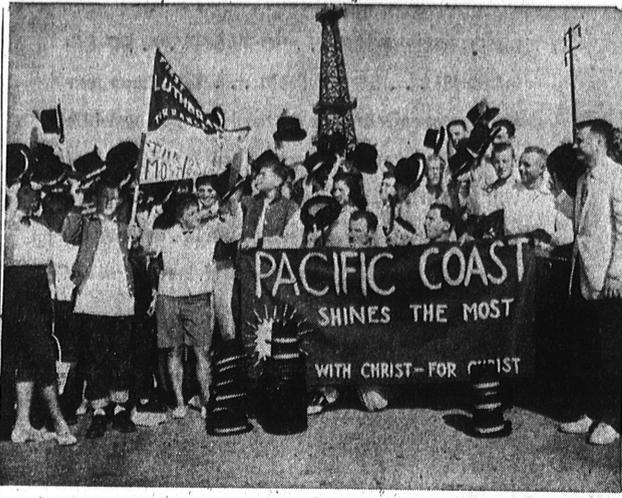
Thursday—The Ladies' Guild will hold a rummage sale at the House of Rummage, 12th and Pacific, San Pedro.

Saturday—The Lutheran Children of the Reformation will hold a Christmas party at 11 a.m.

Ascension Lutheran Observes Family Night

More than 100 members and friends attended a family night fellowship gathering at the new Ascension Lutheran Church parish hall, 18002 Prairie Ave., last Sunday.

After a pot luck dinner served by the ladies of the church, the group saw a film history of the church in color, shown by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schulte. The gathering will be held once a month for the church members.



CONVENTION BOUND... An enthusiastic crowd of some 175 youngsters gathered for a meeting of the Pacific Federation of Luther League at the First Lutheran Church here last week end. From here, the youngsters went to a three-day district meeting at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Santa Ana. Each youngster had a derby hat and a number of banners were placed on the caravan which journeyed to Santa Ana.

Building Is Presbyterian Topic Sunday

"Building The Church" will be the sermon theme at First Presbyterian Church, 1842 Gardena Blvd. Church school will begin at 9:20 a.m. and also the class for church membership.

According to Harold O. Neigh, clerk of session, elders will meet at 10:15 a.m. The Senior Choir will sing the Advent anthem "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" by Holst. Willa Richardson will sing "Eye Hath Not Seen" by Gail. The film itself was produced in castles, monasteries, market squares and churches of Germany. Louis deRoche-mont Associates studied original documents and histories of all faiths to give authenticity to its production.

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Luther Film Set At Missionary Church Sunday

The film, "Martin Luther," will be shown this Sunday evening, at 7:15 at the Lomita Missionary Church, 2043 Lomita Blvd.

This dramatized story of the 16th century monk who fathered the Reformation, Martin Luther, has been in demand for showing across the United States. The title role is portrayed by Niall Mac Ginnis, an Irish actor celebrated for his Shakespearean roles. The film itself was produced in castles, monasteries, market squares and churches of Germany. Louis deRoche-mont Associates studied original documents and histories of all faiths to give authenticity to its production.

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Baptists to Build Bigger Sanctuary

The Narbonne Ave. Southern Baptist Church is making plans to enlarge the seating capacity of its sanctuary.

Tentative plans have been prepared for the church to approve. This is expected to relieve the lack of space at the worship on Sunday morning.

The second phase of remodeling the property at 24801 Narbonne Ave., is expected to get under way as soon as the permit is granted. The first unit has been remodeled and is now in use by the Sunday School.

The pastor, Robert A. Wells, will bring another message in the series on the book of Acts at 8:30 and 11 a.m. services.

Church Will Hear Sermon About Living

Dr. Earl D. Barnum, minister of the Church of Religious Science, Ruby St. and Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach, announces that his subject for this coming Sunday will be, "Rhythm Living."

Sunday services of the church and the Metateens will be held concurrently at 11 a.m. The Children's Church services

Methodists End Charter Member Drive

The charter membership was closed Sunday for the Riviera Methodist Church after 17 new members were formally received into the church.

New members received were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Peak, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brookley, Creig Brookley, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Miss Carroll Noel, Miss Bonnie Tanner, Mrs. Florence Wright, Mrs. Norma Lee, Ronald Galbavy, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Griffin, Karen Griffin.

Services for the new church are being held at the Riviera Elementary School, with Church School at 9:45 and morning worship at 11.

A nursery is provided at 179 Los Miradores during the worship service. Junior MYF meets Sunday night at 129 Vista Del Parque at 6:30 and Senior MYF meets at El Retiro Recreation Hall at 7. The official Board meets Monday night at 7:30 at the parsonage, 531 Calle Mayor.

EUB Church Slates Film

"Martin Luther," the widely acclaimed religious film, will be shown at the Evangelical United Brethren Church on Sunday beginning at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at 3343 174th St., and the pastor is the Rev. Monrad Bergesen. The showing is open to the public, and there is no admission charge.

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Church News

CHANUKAH PROGRAM SET SUNDAY

Jews from the South Bay joined their brothers all over the world last night at sundown in the observance of the holiday of Chanukah, commemorating the Jewish fight for religious freedom in 165 B.C.E.

The Temple Menorah Sisterhood, 112 1/2 N. Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach, will sponsor a family Chanukah celebration this Sunday from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Children from the Temple's religious school will present a play and a supper featuring "latkes" (pancakes), one of the traditional Chanukah dishes, will be served. There will be no admission charge, but a nominal fee for the food.

Mrs. Matthey Ellenhorn is chairman of the event, assisted by Mmes. Stella Benmayor, Theodore Daiell, Joseph D. Luzzio, Rube Drabin, Leonard Fink, Louis Jacobson, Ira Licht, Duke Marano, Walter Schwartz, Alan Shupps, and Henry Weil.

The festival dates back to the victory of the Jews, led by Judas Maccabee, over the Greeks, who sought to impose foreign gods. After the victory, only one small flask of oil was found to light the menorah, but miraculously the oil burned for eight days. Hence, Chanukah, "the festival of lights," is celebrated for eight days, with a new candle lit each night.

Temple Will Hear Dr. May

In commemoration of Jewish Book Month, Temple Menorah, 112 1/2 N. Catalina, Redondo Beach, has invited Dr. Harry S. May to discuss the Dead Sea Scrolls tomorrow evening, 8:15 p.m.

Dr. May, former regional director of the Zionist Organization of American and newspaper reporter will also officiate at religious services that evening.

will begin seven minutes before 11 a.m. A 15-minute meditation period precedes the church services, with organ music by the church organist, Jean Rhodes. A nursery for infants and the younger children, under the supervision of a registered nurse, is available.

Christmas Play Slated Dec. 9 At Wayfarer's

By special request, the Christmas program featuring Dorothy Carter Haven in the Monodrama, "Mary, Mother of Jesus," will be presented at the Wayfarers' Chapel, Portuguese Bend, on Sunday, Dec. 9, at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The public may obtain free reserved seat tickets for the presentation by writing to the Wayfarers' Chapel, Portuguese Bend, or telephoning FR 7-1650. Since there will be only two presentations this year, those who wish to attend should send or phone for tickets immediately.

Miss Haven, a nationally-known dramatist known as the "One Woman Theater," will dramatize the life of Jesus' mother in five scenes extending from the family circle in Nazareth to the temple in Jerusalem. The drama was drawn from historical records and Scriptures.

Although Miss Haven portrays only one character, Mary, she is so effective with her pantomime that she gives the illusion that all characters in the holy family are on the stage.

This will be the fifth year that Miss Haven has presented her monodrama and there are many who look forward to it each year as an appropriate and inspiring introduction to the Christmas season.

NEW YEAR'S BALL SLATED BY KNIGHTS

A meeting was held on Wednesday evening at the home of Martin O'Malley to appoint chairmen for the annual Knights of Columbus New Year's Eve Ball to be held in the Los Crusados Council Hall.

Chairmen for this year's event are as follows: Lyle O'Hara and Larry Sargent, general co-chairmen; James O'Toole, ticket chairman; Jack Steinberg, decorations; Jim McDonald, food committee; Jim Crawford, clean-up; Fil Leone, door committee; and Dave Sheppard, publicity.

Keith Williams and his orchestra will provide dance music from 9 'til 1, after which a breakfast will be served. Price of admission will be \$2.50 per person.

Since attendance will be limited this year council members are advised to secure their tickets before Dec. 10, as those unsold will be made available to friends of members after this date. Tickets may be had by calling any of the following council members: Brothers F. A. Leone, Fred Lippert Sr., Dave Sheppard, James O'Toole, Leroy Armstrong, Jim Crawford, Jim McDonald, or Martin O'Malley.

Lecturer Will Speak Of Divine Solutions

"Christian Science, The Divine Solution to Every Human Problem" will be the subject of a lecture to be radio-cast over Station KFWB (980 kc) Friday evening, at 8, from Fourth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles.

The lecturer, Jules Cern, C.S., of New York City, is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lecturers.

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For more gift ideas for family and friends, the place to look is in the Yellow Pages of your telephone directory. You'll find help fast because Yellow Pages suggest gift ideas as you leaf through and note page headings. You quickly find where to buy that gift and you have the all-important telephone number of the place that sells it. Use the Yellow Pages for your Christmas shopping. They're your handiest shopping guide. Pacific Telephone.

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