CHURCH NOTES

RADIANT LIVING

Though Life Be A Desert

By Rev. C. M. Griffeth
Pastor Calvary M. E. Church
Sudlersville, Md.

It is the Psalmist who paints a never-to-be-forgotten picture of the human heart t hirsting for God when he exclaims: "As the hart panteth after the watre brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God."

These words bring to my mind a fascinating scene of a peaceful woodland sloping down into a quiet ravine through which gently rpiples a contented brook. Half hidden by the green overhanging foliage, there stands in the stream a doe, heated and a thirst by the chase, but thankfully drinking. It is a picture of a soul who, though hunted and pursued by evil, has found in smoe quiet vale, the sustaining Grace of God—a spirit gratefully drinking from the stream of Divine Strength.

Sometimes one's lfie seems to have become like a bleak dreary desert. But do not give up in despair. Such was the experience of Hagar. But she cried out to God and He opened a wel of water for her and for her son. If you are perishing in some desert experience, cry out to God in the words of the Psalmist: "O God, thou art ml God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirstest for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; to seethy power, and hty glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary."

The answer to such a cry comes from God to us htrough the words of St. John: "The Spirit and the Bride say Come, and let him that heareth say Come, and let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Fairlee Salem Church

Rev. Oren B. Rice, Pastor.
Sunday, January 17th.
Sunday School 10 a. m. in charge of James Foreman the Superintendant of the School.
Morning Worship with sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m.
The Sr. Epworth League will meet at 7.15 p. m.: in charge of Mrs. Henry Hamiell the President.

Worton Union Church

Rev. Oren B. Rice, Pastor.
Sunday, January 17th.
Sunday School 1.30 p. m. in charge of Mrs. Ralph Williams the Assistant Superintendant of the school.
Afternoon worship with sermon by the pastor at 2.30 p. m.

Piney Neck Grace Church

Rev. Oren B. Rice, Pastor.
Sunday, January 17th.
Sunday School 2 p. m. in charge of C. S. Vansant the Superintendant. Sr. Epworth League 6.45 p. m.
Evening worship with sermon by the Pastor at 7.45 p. m.

Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown

W. P. Roberts, minister.
January 16, 1938.
10 a. m. Sunday School, T. D. Bowers, Supt.
11 a. m. worship, subject, "Abundant Pardon."
6.30 p. m. C. E. Leader, Eudora McGinnis.
7.30 p. m. worship, subject, "Is There A Personal Devil?"
Tuesday, 8 p. m., The Triangle Club will meet.
Wednesday, 7.30 Prayer meeting meditation, "The Need for Jesus."
Next Sunday A. M. "Joy in Heaven" P. M. "Is There Salvation After Death."
Revival service, February 6-20. Mrs. Corretta J. Mason will be in charge of them.
"That which casts ilttle is worth little."

Chestertown M. E. Church

Rev. Paul E. Reynolds, pastor.
"I delight to do Thy will, O my God" All who delight to do His will shall be delighted forever and ever by His Manifold blessings.
9.45 a. m. Church School, Mr. W. E. Griffith, Supt.
11 morning worship, the pastor in charge.
6.45 p. m. The Young People's meeting.
7.30 evening worship, sermon by the pastor.
7.30 p. m. The Wednesday evening prayer meeting at the church. Let us meet with one another and with Him.

Emmanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown

Rev. Charles L. Atwater, Rector.
Sunday, January 16, 8 a. m. Holy Communion. 10 a. m. Church School. 11 a. m. morning prayer, sermon by the Rector. 7.30 p. m. evening prayer, Address by the Rector.
Wednesday, January 19, 7.30 p. m. Evening Prayer address by the Rector.

Shrwesbury Parish, Kent County, Md.

Rev. Charles L. Atwater, Rector.
Sunday, January 16, 2.30 p. m. evening service, with sermon by the Rector, in (Short meeting of St. Andrew's Chapel. Wom en's Guild, after the service.)
Tuesday, January 18, meeting of Women's Auxiliary, at home of Mrs. W. R. Crow, Sr., in Kennedyville, at 2 p. m.
There will be a meeting of the Congregation of Shrewsbury Parish on Thursday of this week, at 6 p. m. in the Rectory. A supper will be served by the Women's Guild, and Reports are requested from all treasurers of Parish organizations. Thee meeting will be largely social, and the Rector hopes the entire congregation will be present.

St. James M. P. Church

Rev. J. Lee Marker, Minister.
10 a. m. Sunday School, George Carroll superintendent.
11 a. m. mornnig wrsohip. Sermon by the pastor.
7 p. m. Christian Endeavor under the leadership of Mrs. John Redding and Betty Williams. Topic: "Planning to Make Each Week Count".
The Ladies Bible Class will meet at hte home of Mrs. S. J. Lee, Tuesday evening, January 18.

Lynch M. P. Church

2 p. m. Sunday School, Mrs. Harry Jewell superintendent.
3 p. m. afternoon worship, sermon by the pastor.
7 p. m. Christian Endeavor. The pastor will have charge of this service. Let us have a fine attendance

Kennedyville M. P. Church

Rev. W. F. Bauscher, minister.
10 a. m. Church School and Men's Bible Class, Supt. Mr. Harvey Hopkins, topic, "Beginning a Lfie of Service.
11 a. m. sermon and special music.
7 p. m. Christian Endeavor.
7.30 Brief sermon.
Last Sabbath the following classes were 100 per cent in attendance.
Happy Helpers, teacher, Mrs. Dempsey.
Rainbow Workers, teacher, Mrs. King.
Cheerful workers, teacher, Mrs. Glenn.
Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Rasin will entertain the Ladies Aid Society, Friday evening, January 21st. There will be an election of officers.
Don't forget the C. E. Social and Business meeting at Mr. and Mrs. Anthony this Friday evening.

Galena M. E. Church

Walter G. Barlow, pastor.
Sunday, Jan. 16, Sunday School 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 o'clock, in charge of Rev. W. A. Vandersall, assisted by Rev. Edna N. Hyatt. The present schedule is for the Evangelistic effort to begin at the Locust Grove church, Sunday night, January 16, and continue until Friday night, Jan. 28. These Evangelistic services are being conducted in the "Old Fashioned Methodist Way" or "Along Holy Ghost Lines," or "Under the Leadership of hte Holy Spirit". Come praying, you can help, and be helped either INTO a Christian experience, or built up IN your present Christian experience.
There will be no service in the Locust Grove Church Sunday afternoon, Jan. 16.

Wesley Chapel M. P. Church

Sunday, January 16, 1938.
A. G. Lynch, Pastor.
9.30 a. m. Sunday School, S. Elwood Burgess, Supt. Subject, "Beginning a Life of Service."
10.30 a. m. morning worship. Sermon by the pastor using as his subject, "The Sixth Commendment."
7 p. m. evening service. Topic for discussion will be, "Planning to make each week count."

Raum Chapel M. P. Church

Sunday, January 16, 1938.
A. G. Lynch, Pastor.
2 p. m. Sunday School, James Boulter, Supt. Subject, "Beginnnig a Life of Service."
7 p. m. Christian Endeavor, topic, "Planning to make each week count."
7.30 p. m. divine service. Sermon topic, "The Sixth Commandment."

Still Pond M. E. Church

Raymond W. Hallman, pastor.
January 16, 1938.
Your allegiance to God is your insurance for happiness and your assurance of life everlasting.
9.30 a. m. Church School, F. B. Harper, Jr., Superintendent.
11 a. m. morning worship service with sermon by the pastor.
7.30 p. m. Epworth League service. Your presence is invited. Miss Ellen Hogans wil be the leader.

Betterton M. E. Church

Raymond W. Hallman, pastor.
January 16, 1938.
Jesus gave His word to all of us, "Come unto me all ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."
10 a. m. Church School, Mrs. Archie Crew Superintendent.
11 a. m. Junior League, Mrs. Harvey Moore in charge.
7.30 p. m. The Epworth League service will be led by Mr. Preston Heck. You are cordially invited.
8 p. m. worship service with sermon by the pastor.

REPORT OF FIRE CO. PRESIDENT

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To the officers and members and friends of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company, as it has been the custom and is embodied in our constitution and By-Laws, that a report of each years activities of the Fire company be made at the annual meeting in January, I deem it an honor to be in a position to do so.

During the year just closing the ever willing men of the active list have performed their duty when called upon, in a most efficient and excellent manner. Chestertown's fire loss has been comparitively small and these same men have performed an added burden along with their regular line of duty, in the fact, that they have attended the regular weekly meetings, to assist in managing the affairs of this company.

There have been several meetings of the Board of Directors and the company appreciates their willingness to guide the policy of this company and to cooperate with us. Mr. Dell Hendershott one of our directors was transferred to another city. This was a great lose to the company as he was a kind and friendly man and one of his chief interests was the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company.

As a whole, I feel that the members of our company are second to none in regards to efficiency, good morals and in their efforts to carry out our motto, "Service For Others."

This company has had a splendid token of esteem and appreciation of their servcies from the citizens of Chestertown in the fact that the $10,000 bond issue was passed without hardly a dissenting vote. This evidences that our friends want our members to have the best and to be housed in suitable quarters.

The Mayor and Council have been very kind and patient and ever willing to cooperate with this company of a new fire and community house.

In speaking of constituency of our members, I have decided to mention, these members in a class to themselves. The Ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary. These ladies have been the back-bone of our company ever since they organized to help the men in what ever way they saw fit to do. Besides from getting out of their beds in the night and waiting for the men to reutrn from fighting a fire to serve them with sandwiches and coffee, they have had a very keen interest in the construction of our new headquarters. In mentioning the Auxiliary to visitors to our town, each has stated that they envied our company with its large and active woman's organization. I feel that in the fuure our members will give these ladies every bit of cooperation to encourage them in their efforts.

There is one small group of men that I feel that it would be a mistake not to mention this evening. The Building Committee of the New Fire House. Aside from being a member of this committee I have met wiht them and have witnessed their untiring efforts, their unselfishness and the give and take attitude of the men who have served in this capacity. In all of the contracts awarded, I did not see an award made for personal reasons but only from the stand point of fairness and due consideration of the bid as it was presented. To these men, the members of the company, the citizens of Chestertown owe a vote of thanks for the splendid manner in which they have given of their time and efforts.

The Band, of which we all are justly proud, has had a recess for a period and I am sure that the occupying of our new home will bring about a renewed interest in this valuable adjunct of this organization. The duty of the secretary to this company has been carried on very efficiently during the year by Mr. Van Petten, Asst. Secty. Mr. Blackeney, Secretary; having removed to Rock Hall.

To purchase a site for our new building it was necessary to sell our securities amounting to $3,000 to be in a position to pay for same. It was also necessary to raise $3,000 additional, an amount needed to cover estimated cost of construction of the building. This amount was borrowed from the several banks of this town and the company has pledged $500 a year of its poerating funds until the loan if paid.

By careful management at every instance the company will be able to enter our new building and meet the additional expenses which will arise due to the fact that a janitor and other miscellaneous items will be added to our present budget.

Through the funds appropriated by the State of Maryland and the Federal Government, The University of Maryland Fire School is brought to each fire company in the State. Chestertown is a central point at which a number are attending classes each week. It is an opportunity for every member of a volunteer fire company to get 1st hand information to equip him better for fighting fires. I am sorry that so few have taken advantage of this privilege.

Our three picees of apparatus are in condition to answer any alarm of fire to-night. I am sure that a considerable sum could be spent on the equipment to put same in perfect shape, by painting and minor rpeairs. Due to the economy that the members have stressed during the past year, without taking any chances of having equipment not in condition to operate, we have arrived at this annual meeting with all bills paid with the exception of a booster hose statement, for which we can pay when due.

In regards to the financies of the construction of our new building, the committee realizes that there will be a balance to raise and I trust that each of you and the citizens of our town will realize this, and will lend every effort to clear up this sum in the shortest time as is possible.

At this moment I want to make a special request of each officer and every member of our company that before entering our new fire home each of us will read the house rules & that we let them have a lasting impression upon our conduct and by so doing we shall endeavor to strictly abide by them. This company has had a proud record for good moral conduct and I am sure that each member will always keep up such a record for our company in the eyes of our friends and supporters.

In closing, I wish to ask that each of you will give to my sucessor the same pledge of faithfulness along all line of duty as has been manifested by you during the two years that I have humbly served you as your president. I am certainly proud of the fact that there has been no ill feelings or discontent of any description that I can recall during that time. May God give his special blessing to the members of this company in their efforts in the future.

Respectfully Submitted
R. CLARK DAVIS, President.

REPORT OF FIRE CO. SECRETARY

(continued from page one)

The report of the secretary of an organization such as this, is and should be, a history of the achievements and efforts of the organization during the past year. I am deeply indebted to Mr. Wm. Blakeney who was secretary during the first part of the year, and to Mr. Harvey Blyman who took my place when I could not be here, for their accurate records of the meetings that I did not attend which make it possible to open the minute book of this company and see before you a living record of our work and its results through the year just passed.

By far, the most absorbing topic in our last years history is the new fire house not yet completed. The movement to build this building was started in 1936, but did not gain official proportions until on Jan. 4th, 1937, it was moved and carried in the Fire company meeting that we take such steps as necessary to build a new fire house. At the same meeting it was formally moved that we purchase the site upon which the building is now being constructed, and that we dispose of the bonds held by the Fire Company in order to pay for the site. On March 19th a joint meeting was held of the Fire Company Building Committee, The board of directors, citizens of the town, and the Mayor and council to discuss ways of financing the project, on April 19th it was moved and carried in the fire company meeting that application be made to the W. P. A. for assistance, and on July 19th it was moved and carried that the fire company apply to the local banks for loans on the signature of the President and Secretary for the balance of the necessary money. In August the actual construction was started, and at the present time the building is nearing completion. On Oct. 4th, following the recommendation of the building committee, the fire company voted to sell the old fire house under terms most favorable to the fire company as regards use and occupancy of the building until the new fire house is completed, and all of us in this room tonight owe a debt of gratitude to the building committee, consisting of C. A. Bacon, R. C. Davis, Wm. G. Smyth, H. G. Blyman, Herman Blackway, Harry Russell, Marion deK. Smith and W. L. Fowler, for their work in behalf of this project. Although not a member of this committee, Mr. Wm. H. Elliott was very active in furthering the cause and was especially active in securing the votes from the citizens of Chestertown to pass the bond issue to finance the building.

Also, while on the subject of the new fire house, I might recall to the company that seven children gave a play in the old fire house for their friends, and from the proceeds, donated to the company the first dollar received by us toward its construction. There children were Hazel Peterson, Marian Peterson, Frances Brown, Doris Crowding, Connie Mae LeCates, Jackie Thawley, and Mary Anne Russell.

The fire company held 40 meetings through the year with an average attendance of 13 per meeting. The highest attendance at any one meeting was 32, and the lowest was eight. In the course of these meetings, we voted the expenditure of the sum of $1,417.74, or an average of $35.45 per meeting. This represents our ordinary running expenses and does not include expenditures for the new fire house.

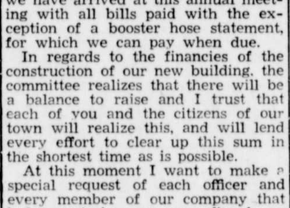
While this sum may seem high to some, allow me to point out that this pays for fire protection, not only to Chestertown, but to a goodly portion of Kent County, and averages up to a weekly expenditure that is less that the salary of one of the lowest grade firemen in a paid department.

We may look back on the past year with both pride and regret. Among our achievements are the new fire house, which will stand for years as a monument, not only to this company, but to the men who were instrumental in its construction and planning, and also among our achievements is the fact that in the meeting of March first, Chief Blackway reported that the active men were responding very well and in large numbers to any fire alarm. In a volunteer organization that is cause for pride.

As to our regrets, our band passed out of existence in the past summer, and at the present time this community and the fire company is not represented by any musical organization. Also, during the past year we gained only five new members. I classify this under regrets, because I belivee that we should have gained a great many more than this in a years time. I think that each of you should know who your new members are, and therefore give their names, Henry Gill, Elmer H. Newnam, Wm. C. Hadaway, T. Allan Stradley, and O. J. Stime.

In conclusion, as an officer of this company, I would like to make certain recommendations for our future and for the good of the organization. First, attendance at meetings should be stimulated. In an organization of this size, supported by the community 13 men average attendance, is not enough to properly direct and guide the organization. Second, on Jan. 15th of last year, it was decided in a meeting to continue indefinitely the question of putting the ambulance back on the road. The occasions when an ambulance is necessary, are few in a community of this size, but when it is necessary there as no substitute for it, and with a local hospital here, and the ambulance used solely for emergency service, its expense of operation would not be great. I cannot help but feel that we fail in some measure in our service to this community as long as the ambulance sits idle and useless in the fire house. Third, the band should be revived. I speak from first hand knowledge when I say that the band died out because of older members leaving, and no new members coming in to take their plcaes. While the radio and other interests has taken the place of musical instruction to children in a great measure, I am sure that there are many young people in this community who would be glad of the chance of musical instruction, and I believe that we should go into the high school and the grade school if necessary, and lay a foundation for musical talent for years to come. I hope that during the next year at least a part of these recommendations will be carried out and that the company will proceed forward to greater strength and greater efficiency in fire fighting than it every has before.

Respectfully submitted,
L. B. Van Petten, Secretary.



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Evelyn Harris, widow, et al

In the Circuit Court for Kent County
In Equity No. 2940

Ordered, this 6th day of January, 1938, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the Real Estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Wilbert L. Merriken, Assignee, under and by virtue of the authority contained in mortgage from Evelyn Harris, widow, et al, to The Pennsylvania Joint Stock Land Bank of Philadelphia, dated March 30, 1926, and duly assigned to Wilbert L. Merriken for foreclosure, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 11th day of March next; Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, once in each of four successive weeks before the 31st day of January next.

The Report states the amount of Sales to be $16,750.00.

True Copy,
ROBERT A. SHALLCROSS, Clerk.
Test:
ROBERT A. SHALLCROSS, Clerk.

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