LOCAL CHURCH NOTES

Group Plans Meeting

The annual group meeting of representatives of Methodist Protestant Churches in Kent and Queen Anne's counties will be held in Christ Methodist Church, Chestertown, on Friday evening, October 24.

The Rev. Dr. Leonaad B. Smith, president of the Methodist Conference, will preside at the session. Problems relat ing to the conference program, including educational and missionary activities will be discussed.

Pastors and members of the official boards of Chestertown, Wesley Chapel, St. James, Lynch and Kennedyville churches, in Kent county, and Centreville, Wye, Queen Anne's circuit and Kent Island, in Queen Anne's will attend.

Chestertown M. E. Church

Rev. J. Harry Wright, Minister.

Sunday services will be as follows:

10.00 A. M. School Church, J. S. Kreeger, superintendent. The lesson theme for the Senior Division will be "The Insight of the Pure in Heart." Classes for all age groups are provided in the several departments of this school.

11.00 A. M. morning worship service, with a sermon by the pastor on the subject "A Divine Command." The vested choir will present special music.

7.30 P. M. evening worship service. with a sermon by the pastor on the subject, "Chivalry." A gospel hymn-sing will precede the preaching of the sermon.

Monday evening, 8 o'clock, meeting of the By-Kota Club at the church. The hostesses for this meeting will be Mrs. Howard Pennington, Mrs. Fred Robinson and Mrs.. J. Harry Wright.

Tuesday, 3 P. M., meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter.

Wednesday evening, 7.30, prayer and praise service, in charge of the pastor. He will continue the study of the Early Christian Church.

Sudlersville Group of Churches

Last Monday evening, Miss Elizabeth Bottomly, of Millington, lead a beautiful closing service at the Elkton Standard Training School. The service was planned by Mrs. R. S. Hodgson's class in "Training in Worship" and was adapted to the needs and comprehension of Junior boys and girls. Several members of the class assisted in the program. Miss Bottomly has charge of the worship period in the Millington Sunday School.

Others for the group enrolled in the Training Schools that are now being held are Mrs. B. S. Wentworth, of Marydel; Miss Mae Ringgold, of Crumpton; Mrs. G. B. Farr, of Sudlersville; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Church, Mrs. Roland Nelson, and Mr. Harry Higman, of Millington. This year the Chestertown school, which about fifty from group attended last year, will meet after Christmas.

COLORS MISSING

Due to the drought the autumn of 1930 will not employ extensively its multicolored palette on the green of trees, Karl E. Pfeffer, Assistant State Forester, said this week.

Because the trees during the parched summer months, have been hard-pressed for moisture and for the minerals from streams and brooks which are essential in providing the forests' foliage with the colorful scheme of fall, turning leaves this year will be, for the most part, repetitions of pale yellows and browns.

The most attractive shades of the season will be rare. The unusual scarlet of the maple, the reddish-purple of the black gum, the crimson of the red oak, the russett brown of the hikcory and the yellow of the tulip-poplar will likely be toned down to monotonous two-tones of brown and yellow in pale shades.

Such forests and woods as have the customary hues of autumn will be exceptions, although, in spite of the drought, no more generally serious damage has been done to the trees of the State th[illegible] forest retardation in growth.

The greatest mortalities during the past summer have occurred among the planted trees, such as ornamental evergreens and shade trees. Such arboreal like, existing in artifical conditions, has suffered more than the forests, Mr. Pfeiffer reported.

The indications are that holly has not been hit by the drought. The dogwood, although its leaves will be lost, will retain its berries, according to Mr. Pfeiffer. Since the mistletoe is a parasitic growth, it remains a question whether or not it will be plentiful at the Christmas season.

The records of the Weather Bureau, Mr. Pfeiffer said, show that the year following a drought also has a subnormal rainfall. While the subsequent drought is never as serious as the original one, the State Department of Forestry is expecting a slight retardation in next year's growth of trees and shrubbery.

Christ M. P. Church

Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, D. D., Minister.

The following services are announced to which you are cordially invited:

10.00 A. M. Sunday school. The subject of the lesson will be "Simon and Anna; The Insight of the Pure in Heart."

Morning worship 11.00 A. M., sermon by the pastor. The choir will render the anthem by Wilson entitled "Hail the Glad Morning."

The Christian Endeavor Society will hold their regular meeting at 6.30 P. M. The meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Charles Wheatley.

A special Rally Day service will be given by the Sunday School at 7.30 P. M. An interesting program has been prepared which we hope you will enjoy with us.

Wednesday, 7.30 P. M., prayer meeting. The pastor will continue the studies in the New Testament.

A group meeting of ministers and laymen from the Methodist Protestant Churches of Kent and Queen Anne's Counties will be held in Christ Church on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. L. B. Smith, President of the Maryland Conference, will be the principal speaker. Matters of vital importance to the work of the conference will be discussed.

Lynch M. P. Church

Rev. J. Lee Marker, Minister.

2.00 P. M. Sunday school, Mrs. Harry Jewell, superintendent. A place and welcome for all.

3.00 P. M. worship and sermon.

7.30 P. M. Christian Endeavor led by Charlotte Cornelius on the subject "Christians and Sunday."

Still Pond M. E. Church

J. C. B. Hopkins, Pastor.

9.30 A. M. Sunday school, A. J. Hackett, superintendent. Our goal is 150 in attendance by November 9th.

10.45 A. M. morning worship and sermon by the pastor.

7.30 P. M. Epworth League, Miss Eleanor Ford, leader.

Betterton M. E. Church

J. C. B. Hopkins, Pastor.

2.00 P. M. Sunday school, Mrs. Archie Crew, superintendent.

3.00 P. M. worship and sermon by the pastor.

7.30 P. M. Epworth League.

St. James M. P. Church

Rev. J. Lee Marker, Minister.

10 A. M. Sunday school, George Carroll, superintendent. The lesson "Simeon and Anna;" The Insight of the Pure in Heart."

11 A. M. worship and sermon.

7.30 P. M. Christian Endeavor led by Grace Parsons. The subject will be "Christians and Sunday." We are having fine services; well attended; come enjoy them with us.

Thursday evening, choir practice and Bible study. All who want to help us in our singing and enjoy the the study of the Sunday school lesson are welcome.

HOSPITAL FACES SERIOUS CRISIS

The Easton Emergency Hospital directors are deeply concerned about the conduct of the hospital during the coming winter. The volume of free work done is increasing each month and with the depressed conditions caused by unfavorable weather, collapse in crops and other local causes, with the attendant increase in sickness in winter, it looks like the Hospital will have to face a very serious crises.

The State pays the Hospital at the rate of $1.76 a day for free patients, up to a total of $12,000 a year. This $12,000 has long since been earned and spent and free patients had up to the first of October at $1.76 a day cost the Hospital $9,000 more.

The free cases cause the Hospital to show a deficit of over $10,000 at the $1.76 a day rate, while actually the cost to the Hospital is much more than this.

Economies of every kind,consistent with best hospital service, are being practiced, but the expenses mount each year. The service rendered is ranked among the best, and the free and the pay patient are given the best possible care. Last month bills in excess of $10,000 were paid all for running expense. In addition to this is the heavy interest charges to be met on the debt incurrd in building the addition to the Hospital .

The burden put on the Hospital by the four counties it serves is very great, and it is hoped that something can be done that will lesson the load to carry through the coming winter.

Star Democrat

Ponderous Doctor Johnson

That Dr. Samuel Johnson (1709-1784,) famous English lexicographer, defined a window as "an orfice in an edifice," in his noted dictionary is a fact which lends point to the popular anecdote told by Boswell. Speaking of animal fables, Boswell said he though it would be difficult to write such fanciful things. Johnson said it would be easy enough.

In a later comment on this incident, Boswell recalled the fable of the little fishes who saw birds flying over their heads. The biographer remarked:

"The skill consisted in making them talk like little fishes, but if Doctor Johnson were to make little fishes talk, they would talk like whales!"

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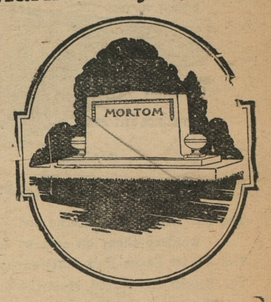

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