

# News of Interest to Washington Churchgoers

## Historic First Baptist Church, Born in Capital's Infancy, Grew From Handful of Earnest Pioneers to First Rank

### Where to Worship

## PROMOTE UNITY OF METHODISTS

### Twenty Epworth League Chapters Combine for Big Excursion.

In an effort to promote unity between members of the Northern and Southern denominations of the Methodist Episcopal Church more than 2,000 members of the District Branch of the Epworth League held an excursion to Chesapeake Beach yesterday.

In the outing were represented twenty-nine local chapters and approximately 2,000 members of the Epworth League Union. Everyone wore old clothes and the afternoon was given over to an athletic program. A bowling tournament followed last night.

Mevin E. Lederer, of the District League, was in charge of the excursion. Frank B. Davis, of the District League, was in charge of social activities. Dr. Herbert Ramsey, president of the Epworth League Union, was in charge of the excursion.

## DIOCESE FIXES SUMMER DATES

### Places of Service During Hot Months Are Announced.

Following a recent decision of the diocesan committee in charge of the Christian healing mission in the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Washington, services will be continued through the summer months according to the following schedule:

## WOMAN'S COUNCIL TO AID HOSPITAL

At 3 p. m. Sunday religious services will be conducted at the Tuberculosis Hospital by the Woman's Business Council of Washington.

## OUTDOOR SERVICE PLANNED SUNDAY

Final preparations will be made today for the elaborate Independence Day service to be held on the Ellipse tomorrow at 4 p. m., under the direction of the Boy Scouts of America, the Community Service and the Washington Federation of Churches.

## Bishop Harding Arrives Safe in Port in England

Word has just been received in the Episcopal Church offices of the safe arrival in England of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Harding, Bishop of Washington, who will attend the twelfth annual conference of the Anglican clergy in London, July 5.

## Virginia Maccabees Meet.

Lynchburg, Va., July 2.—The State convention of the Maccabees, meeting here, selected Norfolk for the place for the 1921 convention and adjourned.

## Peck Memorial Chapel Planning Garden Party

Members of the congregation of Peck Memorial Chapel are planning a garden party at the afternoon of July 8 in the playground opposite the chapel from 5 to 10 p. m.

## Second Home of Congregation Had Tragic Part in Lincoln's Assassination. Was Destroyed by Windstorm After Being Disregarded as Place of Worship.

When historic old First Baptist Church was organized early in 1802 Congress was meeting for the second time since the removal of the seat of government from Philadelphia to the new city on the banks of the Potomac.

In the 1,000 men and women who composed the population of the new-born capital there were only a handful of Baptists and at first it seemed impossible to think of organizing a church and establishing a meeting house for so small a congregation.

In 1802 these men—and one woman—met and organized the First Baptist Church of Washington, selecting as their place of meeting a frame house on the corner of Ninth and I streets and called to their pulpit the chaplain of the House of Representatives, William Parkison. This first congregation was composed of Charles F. Polk, Cephus Fox, Charles Rogers, John Buchen, Joseph Burrows and Sarah Burrows.

For five years Dr. Parkison continued as pastor of the struggling little church, until in January, 1807, the Rev. Obadiah Brown, of New Jersey, was invited to take charge. By the time the Rev. Brown had increased to twenty-three and the members felt that their growth necessitated the selection of a permanent leader.

Dr. Brown had long tenure. The selection of Dr. Brown to fill Dr. Parkison's place was a happy one. For forty-three years the worthy pastor continued in charge of the destinies of the church, leading it to the foremost ranks among the churches of the city and leaving the mark of his zeal firmly imprinted upon the character of the church organization.

In 1833, it was found necessary to seek larger quarters and the church fathers decided to select as the site for the new church a more central location. Accordingly, on Fourth and I streets was given up and lots purchased on Tenth street, between E and F streets.

The old building on Tenth street was destined to a tragic history after the death of the Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe in the Tenth street church in 1859, when it was decided to unite with the Fourth Baptist Church, and both congregations moved into the Fourth Baptist building on Thirteenth street.

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The present pastor, Dr. Henry Allen Tupper, was called to the church in December, 1915. Under the new pastor's leadership the church has seen two of the most fruitful years of its eventful history.



Historic old First Baptist Church, Sixteenth and O streets northwest, which was established in 1802, during the Second Congress of the United States. The congregation was at one time housed in the old Ford's Theater Building in which Abraham Lincoln was shot. Insert on left shows Rev. Dr. Henry Allen Tupper, present pastor of the church.

## Local Churches to Hold Independence Day Services With Christian Ideals And Americanization for Topics

Independence Day will be observed generally in Washington churches tomorrow, recalling the fact that American institutions are the direct outgrowth of Christian ideals. Our form of government was first tested by Christian people and the privileges we enjoy today are fruits of their early struggles.

Pilgrim, Baptist, Quaker, Catholic and Anglican—each left the Old World to establish on these shores the form of government his interpretation of Christian doctrine led him to believe just.

Special sermons will be preached tomorrow urging renewed loyalty and increased respect for the American flag and the liberal institutions it represents. Patriotic musical programs are planned by many churches. An effort will be made to make the services an inspiration to better citizenship and true Americanism.

Tomorrow morning in New York Avenue Church the Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe will present the Fourth of July as "the nation's sabbath," and urge the suggested duty and promise for loyal citizenship. In the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock he will address a popular meeting in the Soldiers' Home Theater upon "The True American."

Foundry Methodist Episcopal. "Jesus, the Patriot," will be the Rev. Dr. Herbert Randolph's subject in Foundry Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. At 8 o'clock he will lecture with illustrations on "The Friends and Foes of Freedom." The third lecture of the series, "A Better America for Better Americans."

Calvary Methodist Episcopal. Former Gov. Richard Yates of Illinois, will speak in the main auditorium of Calvary M. E. Church tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. The occasion will be patriotic exercises conducted by the Calvary Men's Class. Herman Faylor will sing "Justification for War" will be the subject of Judge Joseph W. Thompson, who will address the class Sunday morning.

North Carolina Avenue Methodist Protestant. "Our Church and Our Country" will be the subject of a July 4 sermon by the Rev. Dr. J. Franklin Bryan, pastor of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Church Sunday night. At the morning service he will preach on "The Conquering Cross." The ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the morning service.

Church of Our Father, Universalist. The Rev. Dr. L. M. Powers, minister of the Church of Our Father, has selected "What is Patriotism?" for his topic tomorrow morning.

Church of the Covenant. "Americanization" will be the subject of a special sermon in honor of Independence Day, by the Rev. Dr. C. M. Panusius, who will occupy the pulpit in the Church of the Covenant tomorrow night. There will be a special musical service at 7:45 o'clock. In the morning the Rev. Dr. Talbott will preach.

Temple Baptist. In the Temple Baptist Church tomorrow the pastor, the Rev. Dr. J. J. Muir will preach at both services. His subject at 11 o'clock will be "Christ Supreme"—at 8 o'clock, he will discuss "Essential Liberty."

Mount Vernon Place. In Mount Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday morning the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Clevis G. Chappell, will preach on "The Rich

## THE BIBLE

Translated out of the original tongues and from the edition known as "Our Mothers' Bible."

3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the other tribes of the children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken from the tribe of her father that she shall be put to the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall it be taken from the lot of our inheritance.

4 And when the jubilee of the children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.

5 And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the Lord, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.

This is the thing which the Lord doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophead, saying, Let them marry to whom they think best: only to the family of her father shall they marry.

7 So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove from the tribe to tribe: for every one of the children of Israel shall keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

8 And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel, shall be unto one of the family of the tribe of her father: that the children of Israel may enjoy every man the inheritance of his father.

9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from one tribe to another tribe: but every one of the tribes of the children of Israel shall keep himself to his own inheritance.

Church. At 8:15 p. m. he will discuss "The Fox Churchgoer." Petworth Methodist Episcopal. Holy communion will be observed tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the Petworth Methodist Episcopal Church. At 3 p. m. the Rev. Dr. John Nelson Mills will speak. His topic will be "Americanization."

Vermont Avenue Christian. A number of electric fans have been installed in the Vermont Avenue Christian Church for the comfort of worshippers during the summer months. The pastor, the Rev. Dr. Earle Willey, will preach Sunday morning on "Our Country's Exaltation," and in the evening on "Two Defects."

Church of Our Father. 15th and L Streets. REV. L. M. POWERS, D.D., Minister. 9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. 11:00 a. m.—Preaching by the Minister, Rev. L. M. Powers. Topic: "What is Patriotism?"

The First Spiritualist Church. ALFRED H. TERRY, Pastor. "THE RELIGION OF LIBERTY" Followed by spirit messages Sunday 8 p. m. at Petworth Temple, 1012 9th St. N. W., Second Floor. All Welcome.

REV. G. LYAL ARTHAN, NOTED LAYMAN TESTS MEDIUMS every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in Society Hall, 809 O St. N. W., demonstrating life beyond the grave, visiting spirit messengers: Tuesday evening special message and questions answered; Saturday evening at 7:30 Devotional Class Free.

## TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Tenth and N Streets N. W. REV. J. J. MUIR, D. D., Pastor. 9:30 a. m. Bible School. A hearty greeting awaits you. Come.

11:00 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sermons by the pastor. Morning: "Christ Supreme." Evening: "Essential Liberty."

7:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor. Topic: "Our Duty to Our Country." Leader: Mr. Grafton Payne and the Young Men's Class.

A FEEL-AT-HOME CHURCH

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

16th and O Streets. DR. HENRY ALLEN TUPPER, Minister. Sermon—11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. by DR. J. H. EAGER, OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

Subject: "Some Things We May Know." 11:00 a. m.—"God's Problem." 8:00 p. m.—"God's Problem."

In the absence of the pastor in Europe for two months. Sunday School 9:30 a. m. John Ruthven, Supt.

Baptist Young Peoples Union at 6, with refreshments and social hour. Devotional meeting at 7 to 8. A cordial welcome is extended to all strangers and visitors in the city to worship at THE HOME CHURCH.

## PETWORTH BAPTIST.

7th and Randolph Sts. N. W. Rev. F. PAUL LANGHORNE, Pastor. 9:30—S. S. Arthur G. Cole, Supt. 11:00 a. m.—Baptism and Communion. 7:00 p. m.—Young People's Society. 7:45 p. m.—Preaching by the Pastor.

FIFTH E near 7 a. w. Dr. John E. Briggs will preach on "Fellow Workers" at 11 and "Samson's Three Big Blunders" at 7:45. Communion. Vacation Bible School opens Tuesday, 9:30 a. m. WELCOME.

E. Hex Swem pastor, answers: "Is it a disgrace to be an old maid?" p. m. Cool house, large free chairs (one like them). Men can attend costless; enlarged organ and cathedral chimes; good congregational singing; songs composed by the pastor. 11 a. m.—"God-remembered persons." Central Bapt. Ch. 7th & Eye n. e.

## FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

10th and G Streets N. W. REV. WILMER P. JOHNSTON, Assistant Pastor.

DR. S. H. WOODROW will preach at 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M. Dr. Woodrow, formerly pastor of this church now pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church, St. Louis, Mo., is considered one of the strongest preachers of the denomination.

## UNITARIAN. All Souls' Church

Founded 1821. ULYSSES G. B. PIERCE, D. D., Minister. Services in Knickerbocker Theater Pending Construction of New Church. 11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship. Sermon by the minister, "THE SEAMLESS ROBE."

## Vermont Avenue Christian Church

Vermont Ave., North of N Street. Rev. Earle Willey, D. D., Pastor. 9:45 a. m.—Bible School. 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship with sermon by the pastor on "OUR COUNTRY'S EXALTATION."

8:00 p. m.—Evening service, sermon by the pastor on "TWO DEFECTS." 6:15 p. m.—Young Peoples' tea. 7:00 p. m.—C. E. Meetings. Midweek service, Thursday, 8 p. m.

## NINTH STREET CHRISTIAN

9th and D Streets N. E. REV. G. A. MILLER, Pastor. 225 Tenth Street N. E. Bible School at 9:30 A. M. Morning Worship at 11 o'clock Evening Services at 7:45. WELCOME

## FOUNDRY METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

16th Street Near P. N. W. REV. HERBERT F. RANDOLPH, Pastor. Dr. Randolph lectures with illustrations Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Subject, "THE FRIENDS AND FOES OF FREEDOM."

Unique Service—Lecture, Pictures, Music. Foundry Quartet sings: (1) Dudley Buck's "Magnificent," (2) Gault's "The Air They're They" (The Holy City). Doors Open at Seven-thirty. Lecture at Eight. A HEARTY WELCOME!

## PETWORTH M. E. CHURCH

Great Circle and New Hampshire Avenue. Rev. G. Ellis Williams, Minister. 10:30 a. m.—Sunday School. Mr. O. J. Randall, Supt. 11:00 a. m.—Holy Communion. 8:00 p. m.—Dr. John Nelson Mills will preach on "AMERICANIZATION."

See the "Marion Embrey Memorial Revolving Electric Cross." American University Chapel. Mass Ave., one block from Wisconsin Ave. Chancellor John W. Hamilton, LL. D. 10:00 a. m.—Sunday School. 11:00 a. m.—Sermon by the Rev. W. Clark Main.

## Church of the Ascension

Main Ave. and 12th St. N. W. Rev. J. Henning Nelma, D. D., Rector. Sunday Services: 8 and 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The 8 p. m. services during the summer will be held on the lawn of 12th street, next door to the rectory. The Rector will preach every Sunday night on "NOAH AND HIS ARK."

## CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

G NEAR 14th STREET. Rev. R. H. McKim, D. D., Rector. 8:00 a. m.—Holy Communion. 11:00 a. m.—Holy Communion with sermon on "PATRIOTISM." 8:00 p. m.—Popular Service. "GRIEVING THE SPIRIT." Rev. Percy Foster Hall will preach at both services.

## INTERNATIONAL BIBLE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION.

International Bible Students Association. Epiphany Temple Auditorium, 1015 Ninth Street Northwest. Lecture at 8 p. m. Sunday by T. H. Thornton of Brooklyn on the subject: "Shall Our Loved Dead Open Live Again?" Service at 7:45 p. m. today also at the Temple, 3d floor rear hall. Seats free. All welcome.

## CHURCH OF LIFE AND JOY

1514 N. St. N. W. SUNDAY, JULY 4TH. 8:15 p. m.—Patriotic Service by EVELYN GUILLEY KAYE, soloist. "Our Men Who Paid the Price," "The Declaration of Independence," and "In Flinders Field" will be rendered. Band accompaniment and instrumental program. 11:15 a. m.—Service and Bible interpretation.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The Following Churches of Christ, Scientist, of Washington Are: Branches of The Mother Church, Scientist, in Boston. First Church Columbia road and Euclid st. Second Church N. E. Masonic Temple, 8th and Y N. E. Third Church Masonic Temple, 13th and N. Y. ave. Fourth Church The Arcade, 14th and Park rd.

## Christian Science

SERVICES: Sunday, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. SUNDAY SCHOOL—11 A. M. WEDNESDAY EVENING MEETINGS, 8 o'clock. READING ROOMS: Colorado Bldg., 14th and G sts. Hours: 9 to 9 (Wed., 9 to 6, and Sun. and holidays: 2:30 to 5:30). 17th Col. Bldg., 14th and N. W. Hours: 10 to 9 (except Wed. eve., Sundays and holidays). 145 East Capitol St. Hours: 12 to 9 week days (except holidays), also 2:30 to 5:30 Sundays. The Arcade, 14th and Park rd. (second floor), 10 to 1:30 week days, also 7 to 9 p. m. (except Wednesdays).

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL SOUTH, METHODIST EPISCOPAL SOUTH

## MOUNT VERNON PLACE THE REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH

Massachusetts Avenue at Ninth Northwest. Clovis G. Chappell, Pastor; M. Leo Rippey, Assistant Pastor. SUNDAY, JULY 4, 1920. 11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Dr. Chappell: "THAT RICH CHURCH." 8:15 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. Chappell: "THE FOXY CHURCHGOER."

NOTE—During midsummer, the extra 11 o'clock service in Sunday School Auditorium is discontinued. ALL SEATS ARE FREE, AND NONE ARE RESERVED. COME EARLY AND AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Afternoon Session, 2:30 to 5:30. Devoted to Teaching Christian Americanism to Adopted Americans; TEACHERS WANTED. Epworth League, 7 p. m.; Leader, Ernest W. Wilson, of Texas.

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN 5 TO 14, BEGINS JULY 6 AND CONTINUES TO AUGUST 6. VOLUNTEER TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED TO GIVE ONE TO THREE HOURS DAILY, BETWEEN 9 AND 12 O'CLOCK. MAIN 1423. "The Gift of the South to the Nation's Capital."