The Parish News

BARRINGTON METHODIST CHURCH



February 1952

FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK

"Whosoever would be great among you, let him be servant of all." Matthew 20:26.

The period of history in which we are privileged to live is made to order for greatness. It is thus, for at no time has there been such need for great heroic living. Our scientific and technological advance has far outstripped our moral and spiritual accomplishments. We now have the ability to infinitely bless or destroy mankind. The keys to life and death are truly in our hands. Do we have the greatness of soul to rise to the occasion as others have done in the past?

Whenever I think of the kind of living that is so needed today. I think of the lives of those great men whose birthdays are so close together during January and February: George Washington. Abraham Lincoln, and Robert E. Lee. Without exception, each one of these men possessed those qualities that made his life truly great. They were deeply and sincerely religious, possessing a strong personal faith in Almighty God; they were willing to accept responsibility; they possessed impeccable character and integrity; they were humble and magnanimous towards others, and they were strongly motiviated by the ideal of service.

These are qualities that anyone can possess, but no one can buy them with money, not even we Americans with our multi-billion dollar income. But we can

have them simply by thinking, believing, and living in this manner. And, we will discover that as we strive in this direction, the unseen forces of the universe supplement our efforts. There is no short-cut nor anything magical about it. It is a way of life that is sorely needed in these trying, fateful days. It is time for great living.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer will be held Feb. 29, services to be held at St. Paul's church at 1:30 P.M. The speaker will be Mrs. Leland Brubaker of Elgin whose subject will be based on the theme for the year, "Christ, Our Hope." This service is open to all, and it is hoped that there will be many from our church who will attend. There will be prayers made and moneys given for the aid of underprivileged peoples of America and of the world in connection with the "World Day of Prayer" to be observed by Protestant women in some 17,000 communities across the nation, and the funds will be offered on behalf of the underprivileged, and the American Indians in this land; and for Christian colleges in the Orient, for the providing of Christian literature for women and children overseas, and for aid to some 30,000 foreign students now in the United States from Europe and Asia. In America, observance of the day is sponsored by United Church Women, a department of the National Council of Churches.

It is a pleasure to report that definite planning work on the proposed addition to our Church is now under way. At a meeting of the Planning Committee on Jan. 19, two important steps were taken. First was the decision to abandon the idea of purchasing any additional property for building purposes. Second was to move into definite action on the project without further delay.

Under the direction of the Architectural Committee, Mr. Robert Work, who was architect of our present church structure, a big event in the Fellowship's February is being authorized to prepare plans and sketches for the new "Young People's Addition". These plans are to be pushed for completion so that they may be studied at the next meeting of the Planning Committee, called for February 16.

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It is hoped that the Barrington Youth Fellowship will be well represented. On Sunday evening, Feb. 17, Jack Rieke will lead a discussion—one that should be interesting to all young people.

Members of the Planning Committee are as follows:

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Quentin R. Paulson
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Paul H. Younger

Mr. Wilson McCoy was the guest speaker at the Methodist Youth Fellowship on Feb. 3. Race Relations Sunday will be observed Feb. 10. A union service sponsored by the Inter Church Council will be held at the Baptist church. Dr. Paul G. Macy from Chicago will be the speaker. He will talk not only on race relations but also international relations. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M., and will be followed by a social hour in the Baptist church social hall. The Mid-winter Institute is also calendar. It is at Zion Feb. 23 and 24. It is hoped that the Barrington Youth Fellowship will be well represented. On Sunday evening, Feb. 17, Jack Rieke will lead a discussion-one that should be interesting to all young people.

CANCER DRESSING PROJECT

After the appeal last month for white material for cancer dressings—the response to which was very small—some people stated a desire to know more about the project. This project is part of the work of the Northwest Suburban Chapter of the American Cancer Society. The completed bandages are distributed by visiting nurses to home patients only, to rich and poor alike without any questioning. As many as 48 per day to one patient have been distributed. Thus, the cause being so worthwhile, the appeal is again made. Phone 281-R, Mrs. Titterton.

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LENT begins Feb. 27. Throughout this period special services are being planned. Watch for the announcements in the Sunday morning bulletins.

The scavenger hunt held during January was such a successful affair that the young people of this organization plan to have another such hunt in the near future. As before, items of clothing, books, toys, sheets, etc., will be collected and sent to the Peek Home which is located at Polo, Illinois. In appreciation of what these young folks are doing, the Home has asked the members to visit them for an afternoon of inspection as well as pleasure. This trip is presently planned for the first part of April.

For several weeks the Junior High Fellowship group with their leader. Mrs. James Dow, have worked enthusiastically on the program for Feb. 10, a Japanese program complete from girls in costume with flowers in their hair to a menu of true Japanese food. During the program hour Miss Shitamma, local sixth grade teacher, will speak to the group on Japanese culture. And although it was erroneously stated in the last issue of this paper that Miss Shitamma had visited Japan withthe past two years, nevertheless, her informati on will be very authentic considering her background, her many friends who have seen Japan, the fact that her mother is now visiting in Japan and corresponds frequently, and also that she has a brother now serving with the armed forces in that vicinity. To share the entertainment of the evening with our Youth Fellowship will be the Junior High groups from the other churches who have been invited as guests of the evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

An emphasis has been put on the study of our Sunday School material and already some changes have been made. It is the purpose of the Sunday School board to find the most interesting and most helpful literature for every derartment. Any help or suggestions by the parents would be appreciated. Sunday School attendance has been averaging around 200 which makes for full classes in each department. We again want to remind the congregation of our need for at least one more teacher.

The last in the series of three correlated meetings will be held March 6, the regular meeting date of the society. At this time Mrs. Otto Nall will speak to the group on what she and her husband, Mr. Otto Nall, editor of the Christian Advocate, saw while touring Europe from which continent they returned last fall. This talk as those given at the last two meetings is first hand information depicting the problems that exist and thus in many instances why the problems have become problems which we must now directly or indirectly face.

The Women's Society has a great deal to offer mentally, spiritually, and . socially, and again all women of the church, members and friends, are urged to attend this meeting once a month.

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY

Sunday, Feb. 10, is Boy Scout Sunday, and the Scouts of Barrington and vicinity have been invited as guests to the Sunday morning service on this occasion. Due to limited space and facilities the church is at present unable to sponsor a Scout troop, but the interest and welfare of this great boys work is a matter of deep concern to the church.

There are three Scout Troops and three Cub Packs in Barrington and vicinity with a total membership of 300. Our gratitude and congratulations to the men who carry on this activity for the welfare of our boys. Of the many men in the community engaged in this work we are proud to state that twenty of these men are from our own church giving of their time and talent to this very great work.

GUEST PREACHER

Dr. Louis Sherwin, former pastor of the Highland Park Presbyterian Church, was the guest preacher at our church Sunday, Jan. 27. Dr. Sherwin who is the father-in-law of our Sunday School Superintendent, Don Nichols, is well known to many in our congregation having spoken here the past year.

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 11 - Circle E, Mrs. Geo. Woodruff, hostess

Feb. 12 - Circle A, Mrs. J.M. Friedlander, hostess

Feb. 13 - Circle C, Mrs. Quentin Paulson, hostess

Feb. 18 - Circle B, Mrs. Percy Drover, hostess

Feb. 19 - Circle D, Mrs. Roy Peirce, hostess

Feb. 23 &

24 - Youth Fellowship Mid-winter Institute, Zion, Illinois

BARRINGTON

Feb. 28 - Methodist Men's Dinner

Feb. 29 - World Day of Prayer

Mar. 6 - W.S.C.S.

METHODIST MEN'S DINNER

Men of the Barrington Methodist Church, put down on your calendar the evening of Feb. 28 as your date with the church. On that occasion at 6:30 P.M. the men of our church will have their first gathering at what we hope will become a Methodist Men's Brotherhood. Dr. Ray Bond. our new District Superintendent, will address the group to be followed by an open discussion of the building needs and possibilities of our church. The dinner will be served by the W.S.C.S. at \$1.50 per plate. William Noyes is chairman of the arrangements committee. Secure your tickets from the minister or any member of the committee in advance. We hope every man of the Barrington Methodist Church will be present.

MID-WINTER INSTITUTE

The young people's Mid-winter Institute is to be held in Zion, Feb. 23 & 24. Members of Methodist Youth Fellowships throughout the Northern Sub District will join together in a quest of learning and fellowship. The theme of the Institute is "Put On the Whole Armor of God." Those attending the institute will register Saturday morning between 10:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Discussion groups will meet throughout the day under the direction of prominent Methodist leaders. The Institute will close with a communion service on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mettling is dean of the Institute this year and we hope many young people from our church will attend. Those who are interested in attendance can get complete details concerning registration fee, lodging, meals, etc., from Miss Phyllis Leonard, president of our local group.

AMERICAN LEGION

Members of the American Legion of Barrington were special guests of the service, Sunday morning, Feb. 3. The occasion was the commemoration of the anniversary of the sinking of the transport, the U.S.S. Dorchester, during World War II when four chaplains lost their lives, having given their life jackets to four G.I's. The four chaplains, two Protestants, a Roman Catholic and a Jewish Rabbi, were last seen standing arm—in—arm on the deck of the sinking ship, each praying his own prayer to God.

MRS STELLA WELTY IZO HARRISON ST BARRINGTON, ILL



Call to Prayer

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday, February 29, 1952 • Theme:

CHRIST, OUR HOPE



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PRAYING PEOPLE hold the real balance of power in the world. Women the world around are called to observe a day of prayer for a better world for all people. From dawn on the Fiji Islands to dusk on the arctic St. Lawrence, women of many countries will unite in the same service of praise and penitence and dedication, as hymns and prayers ascend to the Father of All.

To the millions of God's children who turn to Him in intercession the Call goes out for spiritual fellowship across and through all barriers. The day highlights the year-round bond among Christians — a bond which naught can sever. Because prayer is power, it interprets God's plan for all, even as it builds understanding and mutual concern for one another and binds together God's peoples of the world.

This is the Day of Prayer

We pray that within ourselves

—we will let love overcome hatred and prejudice.

We pray that within our church

—we will seek a Christian solution for every problem.

We pray that within our nation

—we will work to extend human rights and justice.

We pray that within our world
—we will wage peace.

We pray that within each child of God

—the hope that is in Christ may be made real.

A Prayer

Speak, Lord in the stillness While I wait on Thee; Hushed my heart to listen In expectancy.

Anonymous

Oh God, in beauty Thou didst create the world and madest man in Thine own image to worship and glorify Thee. We offer our prayers of thanksgiving and praise for all of Thy goodness to us.

Loving Father, look in mercy upon the world today. We know that it is far from Thy design. Forgive us for our part in making it so. We come asking Thee for strength and wisdom to serve Thee in our generation. May "the things that make for peace" find their dwelling place in the hearts of Thy children. May hatred be overcome by love, even the love shown to us in the life and death of Thy Son, our Lord.

Bless all who toil this day, in the early morn, in the noontide heat and into the evening hours. May we all remember that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" and that we are needful one to the other in the rightful use of Thy earth. Comfort those who suffer in mind and body and spirit. Make real to all the joy of Thy salvation. At this time we look to Thee; for through Thy Son Thou hast redeemed us. He is CHRIST OUR HOPE. In His Name we pray. Amen.

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FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK

The beautiful little white church in Barrington with its tall inspiring steeple pointing ever upward, calls to one and all to become a significant part of a great building expansion crusade. The call comes clearly in the words of the poet Sumner Hoyt:

Is this the time, O Church of Christ! to sound retreat?

To arm with weapons cheap and blunt the men and women who have borne the

Of earth's fierce strife, and nobly held their ground?

Is this the time to halt, when all around

Horizons, lift, new destinies confront Stern duties wait the nations never

To play the laggard, when God's will was found?

No! rather, strengthen stakes and lengthen cords.

Enlarge Thy plans and gifts, O Thou elect,

And to Thy Kingdom come for such a time!

The earth with all its fullness is the Lord's.

Great things attempt for Him, great things expect,

Whose Love imperial is, whose Power

Fills all the earth, if we, who follow Him

Build in this world, His Church, unconquerable!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

According to the laws of our church the congregation must approve any large scale building project as well as the Quarterly Conference which is the governing body in the local church. This is why a joint Quarterly Conference and Congregational Meeting is being convened immediately after the service Sunday morning, May 11. Each member of the church twenty-one years of age or older is entitled to vote. Let all be present on that occasion that your wishes might be known. If the vote is favorable, then the Official Board and Building Planning Committee is looking towards the week of May 19-24 as the time for the financial crusade.

· NEW MEMBERS

The church steadily continues to grow with the addition on Sunday of two more families to our fellowship.

Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Jahns Manzke,
708 Dundee Ave. come to us upon confession of faith and baptism, and
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Olson, Biltmore by transfer of letter from the Westminster Presbyterian Church of
Skokie. Perhaps there are others in the community who would like to unite with our church, if so, please inform the Minister.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference, the highest governing body of the Methodist Church, is now in session in San Francisco. Delegates from all over the world are present to review the progress of the church, enact new or change present regulations, and plan the next phase of our church's work. The General Conference meets every four years in the even year. It is presided over by the Bishops, who have no vote, and its membership is composed of half laymen and half clergy who are elected by the various Annual Conferences. Our own District Superintendent, Dr. Ray Bond, is one of the delegates from our conference. Come of the results of the conference will be reported in the next issue of the Parish News.

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GUEST PREACHER

Those who were present at the morning church service April 27 had the unusual privilege of hearing Dr. Edmund Blair, professor of New Testament at Garrett Biblical Institute. Dr. Blair who has recently returned from an archeological excavating mission in Palastine spoke on "the challenge of the Near East." His conclusion was that the peoples of this area can be won to the christian way by a christianity that is willing to serve the people rather than to be served.

RUMMAGE SALE

Total receipt for the annual spring rummage sale sponsored by W.S.C.S. was approximately \$350.00.

METHODIST CHURCH ACTIVITY IN NEARBY COMMUNITIES

The church buildings and extensions either completed or begun within the past two years in Chicago Northern District involve a total cost of approximately one and a quarter million dollars. Among those in the Barrington district is the new church at Des Plaines worth \$225,000. Park Ridge is constructing an educational unit which will cost over \$200,000. Norwood Park is completing an additional wing which will cost around \$100,000. Diamond Lake and Antioch have built additional facilities. A new church was completed last year at Fox River Grove, and in the near future at Cary the new church will be finished. Methodists in other nearby communities are either building or are now planning projection which in the next two or three years may cost another \$400,000.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE METHODIST CHURCH

The total membership (active and inactive) of the Methodist Church as of Jan. 1, 1952 was 9,065,727 with a Sunday School enrollment of 6,022,013. Property value is estimated at \$1,234,350,715 with a total expenditure covering all purposes of \$268,623,814.

SOMETHING WORTH THINKING ABOUT

Everytime I pass a church
I go in for a visit
So that when I'm carried in
My Lord won't ask, "Who is it?"
Written by an 8 year old girl.

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The highest record for Sunday school attendance in the history of our church was set on Palm Sunday with 235 children and adults present.

Children's Day will be June 1.

M.Y.F.

Miss Sheel was the first guest speaker of the M.Y.F. in May. She lead a discussion on conditions in Europe today, highlighting her talk with some of her experiences while living in Holland last year. The second Sunday in May the group will have a discussion and talk or movie on Christian vocations. This meeting will not only be beneficial to many of the high school students graduating in June, but also to every student who will face the problem of finding a Christian vocation in the future. Judy Anderson will take charge of an underclassmen party May 18. The freshmen and sophomores will play hosts to the eighth graders from the Junior High Fellowship group. During the week which the church will have a fund raising drive for the building addition, members of the M.Y.F. have volunteered their services as baby sitters. If anyone needs a baby sitter during the drive, please call Ann Bell or Saralu Thomas. A picnic is scheduled for the last meeting of the school year May 25. At this ti me next year's officers will be elected. The group plans to meet occasionally during the summer months.

JUNIOR HIGH FELLOWSHIP

Although the Junior High group under the leadership of Mrs. James Dow is quite busy, the only information available at this time was a most successful roller skating party May 3 at Wauconda, and another scavenger hunt during the month of May to collect toys, games, and books for Peek Home.

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The annual spring luncheon of the W.S.C.S. was held May 1 in the basement of the church with 70 women in attendance. After the luncheon, the group was privileged to hear Mrs. Garfield Anderson, guest speaker of the afternoon. Mrs. Anderson spoke on the Korean people with whom she is well acquainted for both she and her husband were medical missionaries in Korea from 1910 to 1940.

The June meeting of the W.S.C.S., and the last one of the season, will feature Mrs. Kenneth Lunquist who will show pictures of her South American trip, a very fitting conclusion to the study books of the year. The hostess committee for the afternoon, headed by Mrs. James Dow, will use the same theme.

The ladies of the Society were proud to have as a member one of the newly elected district officers. The new officer, Mrs. R. L. Peirce, was elected as Secretary of the Status of Women at annual spring meeting of the Chicago Northern District meeting of the W.S.C.S. recently held in Des Plaines.

EASTER SUNDAY

A new record for church attendance was set at our church for the two services Easter Sunday morning. 289 people were in attendance at the first service and 350 at the second, making a total of 639. The beauty of both services was enhanced by the baptism of infants and small children. Those receiving baptism Easter Sunday were: Theodore Manzke, Karen Lunquist, Linda Sue Neagle, Linda DeBolt, Arthur Leach, Lawrence Thomas, Patricia Putta. Barbara Waugh, Wm. Waugh. On Palm Sunday, Lawrence Thomas and Mary Wegner. of the Confirmation Class were baptised.

COMING EVENTS

May 11 - Congregational Meeting and Quarterly Conference

May 12 - Circle E, Mrs. Wm. Hile, hostess

May 13 - Circle A, Mrs. A. J. Swineheart, hostess

May 13 - Circle D. Mrs. Jack English, hostess

May 14 - Circle C, Mrs. H.F. Vansteenderen, hostess

May 19 - Circle B, Mrs. Lyman Simpson, hostess

June 1 - Children's Day

June 2 - Cooking School

June 5 - W.S.C.S.

June 8 - 4th. Quarterly Conference

June 9 - Vacation Bible School



COOKING SCHOOL

Monday evening, June 2, promptly at 7:30 the Bowman Cooking School will be presented under the auspicies of Circle E. All food prepared during the demonstration as well as other food gifts including several shopping bags of groceries will be given away during the evening. The Cooking School Demonstration according to Bowman is their most important demonstration and furnishes both knowledge and entertainment. Tickets may be secured from any circle member or at the door at 50¢ per ticket, and we might add, men as well as the women are invited.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Plans are being initiated for a Union Vacation Bible School to be conducted during the two weeks from June 9 to 20, 9:00 to 11:30 A.M. Monday through Friday. The school is sponsored by the Salem, Baptist, St. Paul, and Methodist churches. All children who will be in kindergarten next year to those who are now in sixth grade are invited to enroll. The School Board and Administration have graciously offered the elementary school facilities for this purpose. Miss Florence Johnson will be the director of the school.

METHODIST YOUTH CAMP

The Methodist Youth Camps at Conference Point on Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, will be held from June 29 to July 20, this period of time to be divided into three periods of one week each. Age of person will determine time of attendance. The 1952 rate is \$26.00 for the entire week which includes seven full days from Sunday afternoon until the following Sunday afternoon, room and board, insurance and free daily newspaper. To avoid disappointment, early registration is advised. For further information see bulletin posted in foyer of the church.

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