

CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Gibson Avenue—Rev. G. W. Bullard, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m., with classes for all ages. J. C. Norton, superintendent. Worship service at 11 a. m. with the pastor preaching. The Baptist Training Union meets at 6:30 p. m. with a complete organization. Julius Padrick, director. Worship service at 7:30 p. m. The Rev. Dennis M. Larkins will be the guest preacher. Woman's Missionary society, Monday at 7:30 p. m. Prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend our services.

Calvary: 4th and Brunswick streets. Earle L. Bradley, pastor. Bible school 9:45 a. m. M. E. Bullard, superintendent. Classes for all ages. Morning worship 11 a. m. Subject: "Messengers of Mercy." Evening worship 8 p. m. Subject: "The Two Enrollment Books." Prayer services Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Pastor in charge. Choir rehearsal Friday 7:30 p. m. Come and worship with us.

Winter Park: Rev. E. H. Satterfield, pastor. The Sunday school meets at 10 o'clock. S. W. Brinson, superintendent. D. J. Batts, assistant. Baptist Training Union at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30 with sermon by the pastor.

Prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend this church.

Temple: 17th and Market streets. Rev. Arthur J. Barton, D. D., pastor. Congregational worship and preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The pastor will preach at each service. Sunday school 9:45 a. m., J. O. Grover, superintendent. Graded departments and classes for all ages. Baptist Training Union at 7 p. m., S. V. Soots, director. A hearty welcome and cheerful Christian fellowship await you always at the Friendly church.

First: Fifth and Market streets. Sankey Lee Blanton, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11. The subject for the morning sermon is "Peace With God." Mr. Blanton preaching. Special music will be a solo, "The Infant Jesus" by Pietro Yon.

B. T. U. at 7 p. m. Evening worship at 8. At the 8 o'clock hour we will have our annual Christmas Carol service. The choirs and congregation will join in singing old familiar carols of the season. We cordially invite you to worship with us.

Wrightsville: H. S. Strickland, pastor. Bible school 9:45 a. m. C. J. Josephans, general superintendent. Departments and classes for all ages. Morning worship 11 a. m. The pastor will bring the morning message. The training unions meet 6:45 p. m. Evening worship 8. Rev. H. F. Bean will preach at the evening hour. All the mission grades will meet at their usual places and times during the week. Prayer and Bible study Wednesday evening 7:30. Choir practice Wednesday evening 8:30 and Friday evening, 7:30. Mrs. C. E. Sanburg, choir director, Mrs. J. L. Marshburn, pianist. A cordial Christian welcome to all who can worship with us.

FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST
Tabernacle—Sixth and Ann. Rev. John F. Warren, pastor. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Classes and departments for all ages. The pastor teaches the men's class in the church auditorium. Regular services of worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will speak at both hours. Music will be under the direction of Mrs. W. T. Mercer. Young people will meet at 6:30 p. m. Prayer and praise services each Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to worship with us in all our services.

FREE WILL BAPTIST
Eighth Street: The Pastor, Rev. Ruth E. Ketchum, will speak at the 11 o'clock service on the subject, "Believer's Garments." And on "The Hallelujah Chorus" at the Evangelistic service at 7:45 p. m. The choir under the direction of Mr. T. R. O. Johnson will render special music at both services. Sunday school at 9:45. Mr. Thomas Blanton, Sunday school superintendent. Classes for all ages. Come and worship with us this Sunday. You will find a hearty welcome in our church and school.

METHODIST
Trinity, Market Street at Fourteenth. Robert L. Jerome, minister. Church School meets at 9:45 o'clock with classes for all ages. H. A. Marks, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock with sermon by the pastor on the subject, "Do We Need Christ in Our World?" Christmas Eve.

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mas Cantata, "Prepare Him Room," by Rosemary Hadler, by the combined choirs of the Church of the Covenant and Trinity at the Church of the Covenant at 5 o'clock.

Epworth League and Hi-League meet at 6:15 o'clock. Mid-week service on Wednesday at 8 o'clock with message by the pastor. Adult Christmas party at the church on Friday at 8 o'clock. All adults in the church are invited. Everyone welcome at all services.

Grace: Corner Grace and Fourth streets. Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor. Church school at 9:45. A. R. Crow, general superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock, sermon by the pastor, subject "Wise Men Come." This is the second of the Christmas sermons by Mr. Herbert. The third will be on Dec. 22nd, subject "They Went Home Another Way." Young People's service at 7 and 7:15 p. m. Service of Christmas music at 8 p. m., Miss Agnes Chasten, organist and choir leader.

Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church the Spiritual Life groups will meet.

Wednesday evening prayer service at 8 o'clock, message by the pastor.

The public is cordially invited to all these services at Grace church.

Fifth Avenue: Fifth between Nun and Church streets. Chancie D. Barcliff, pastor. Church school meets at 9:45 a. m. with D. B. Branch as general superintendent. Graded for worship and study, there are departments and classes for all age groups.

Services of congregational worship with sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., and special seasonal music by the augmented choir.

Epworth league, Sunday 7 p. m. You are cordially invited to attend all the services of this church and to make your church home here.

Epworth: Fifth and Bladen. Rev. C. N. Phillips, pastor. Church school 10 a. m., Rev. Z. V. Cowan, superintendent. Preaching of morning sermon, "The Reasons Why We Do Not Grow Spiritually," subject for the evening sermon, "Bruised and Broken Lives, God Gives Another Chance."

Epworth league will meet at 7 p. m. on Sunday. Prayer meeting and Bible study on Wednesday 8 p. m. Come and worship with us. You will always find a friendly greeting and a hearty welcome.

Bethany, On the Old Carolina Beach road. Rev. W. A. Tew, minister. Phone 9508. Special Christmas services by the young people and pastor for 7:30 Sunday night. Quarterly Conference at Wesley Memorial church at 3 p. m. Sunday.

Federal Point, Two miles west of Carolina Beach on the Ethyl-Dow Chemical Plant road. Rev. W. A. Tew, minister. Phone 9508. Church school conducted by J. W. Bowden at 10:45. Worship services led by the pastor at 11:30, which will feature a Christmas message. Quarterly Conference at Wesley Memorial church at 3 p. m.

Wesley Memorial, At Winter Park. Rev. W. A. Tew, minister. Phone 9508. Worship services at 10 with a sermon by the pastor. This will be the first in a series of three Christmas messages. Church school led by J. N. Needham at 11. Quarterly conference at 3. At this time Rev. A. S. Parker, the district superintendent of the Wilmington district, will preach and conduct the business conference of the church. Everyone, and especially all officials, is urged to attend, as Mr. Parker is to present the new financial plan of the church. Both groups of young people will meet Monday night at 7 p. m. The City Union meets at Grace church at 8 Monday night.

PRESBYTERIAN
Church of the Covenant: 16th and Market streets. Rev. J. Harry Whitmore, D. D., minister. Miss Lucilla White, director of religious education. Mr. Arthur John, director of music. Church school at 9:45 o'clock. Classes for all ages. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon by the minister: "The Christian Conviction Concerning the Church."

St. Andrews—Corner N. 4th and Campbell street. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., minister. Mr. George L. Walker, Minister of Music and Director of Religious Education. Mr. John E. Woodburn, Supt. of Sunday School. Services as follows: 9:45 a. m. Sunday School with classes for all ages. 11 A. M. Morning worship. Sermon to topic "The Christian Conviction Concerning the Church." Special music Duet by Jessie Sellers and Wm. Kean "God the Omnipotent." Chorus with soprano soloist Dorothy Hearn and Carolina Farrar, "Gloria to God" by Handel. 5 o'clock Vesper Service. Sermon topic "The Inspiration of Christmas." Special music: Duet by Wm. Mintz and Wolford Thompson "The Lord is My Shepherd" by Smart. Chorus "Behold the Lamb of God" by Handel. Male Chorus "Let Every Good Christian Now Join in a Song." Traditional air. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

First—Corner Third and Orange streets. Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., pastor. Mrs. S. A. Troy, Jr., director of music Miss Ray Calhoun, director of religious education. Sunday services: 10 a. m. Church school, with graded classes for all ages. 11:15 a. m. Worship and sermon by the pastor: "Christian Conviction Concerning the Church." Special music by the choir. 7 p. m. Meeting of the leagues. Monday: 7 p. m. Meeting of the Boy Scouts.

Everyone is cordially invited to these services.

Delgado: Sunday school 9:45 a. m. with classes for all ages. W. C. Scoggins, superintendent. W. D. McCaig, teacher of the Men's Bible class. Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock with sermon by the pastor Rev. C. C. Myers. Subject, "The Christian Conviction Concerning the Bible." Coley Reynolds in charge of the music. Mrs. Bell Fowler teacher of the Women's Bible class and musician.

McClure Memorial: Of Castle Hayne. Rev. C. C. Myers, pastor. Morning worship 11 o'clock each Sunday, services in charge of the men of the St. Andrews Presbyterian church. Sunday school 10 a. m. with classes for all ages. E. E. Heath superintendent. Come and worship with us in these services.

LUTHERAN
St. Paul's—Sixth and Market streets. Rev. Walter B. Freed, pastor. Morning worship service 11 A. M. sermon: "Caring For What We Have." Vespers 8 p. m. sermon: "Jesus Christ, the Shepherd and Bishop of Souls." Sunday school, with classes for all ages. 9:30. Senior Luther League 6:30 day, December 18, 8 o'clock when "The Nativity in Marble" under the direction of Pollock Irwin will be presented. A cordial welcome awaits the worshiper at St. Paul's, and a special invitation is extended to strangers and visitors to worship with us.

St. Matthew's: 919 North Fourth street. The Rev. Carl H. Fisher, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m., classes for all ages. Morning worship service 11 a. m., sermon: "A Fixed and Settled Conviction." We are always glad to have visitors join us in the worship of our God. Regular weekly choir practice Tuesday, December 17, 8 p. m. Administration of the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Sunday, December 22, at the 11 a. m. service.

EPISCOPAL
St. Andrew's - on - the - Sound. Wrightsville Sound. Rev. John Malone, rector; Third Sunday in Advent; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; U. P. S. L. 7 o'clock p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 8 o'clock p. m.

St. James: Corner Market and Third streets. Rev. Mortimer Glover, rector. Third Sunday in Advent, Holy Communion 8 a. m. Church

Sunday School Lesson
BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.
Editor of Advance
Text: Luke 11:1-13

The text of this lesson contains the Lord's Prayer, which in itself offers subject matter for many lessons, and for a life-time thought and action. But the specific interest of this particular passage is in the comment and the philosophy of prayer which accompanies the lesson Jesus gave His disciples in prayer, and the form and model which Christians have so universally used. If we were having a lesson in the Lord's Prayer alone, it would be better to take the whole prayer, as given in Matthew's Gospel, chapter 6, verses 9-13.

What is this philosophy of prayer? It is different from that of many people who pray. In some respects the conception and practice of prayer, that Jesus taught and practiced, are different from the ideas of prayer commonly encouraged and fostered by many religious teachers.

This common notion of prayer is that it is a means or method of asking for and getting things. Jesus puts the emphasis all the other way. Prayer is a human means of receiving and appropriating what God is waiting and anxious to bestow. The soul that does not ask can hardly receive; but that does not affect or limit God's willingness to give.

Apart from the verses of the Lord's Prayer itself, the most important verse in our lesson is the last verse. After pointing out what any sort of decent earthly father will do for his children, Jesus goes on to tell how much larger is the willingness and purpose of the Heavenly Father to give to

school 10 a. m. Litany, Ante-Communion and sermon 11 a. m. Young People's Service league 7 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended, especially to visitors and strangers. St. John's—Third and Redcross streets. Rev. E. W. Halleck, rector. Services for 3rd Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion 7:30 A. M. Church school at 10 A. M. Litany, Ante Communion Service and Sermon at 11 A. M. Y. P. S. L. at 7 p. m. Evening Prayer Service 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited.

Church of the Good Shepherd: Sixth and Queen streets. Rev. Frederick A. Turner, rector. The third Sunday in Advent. Celebration of the Holy Communion 8 a. m. Church school and Men's Bible class at 9:45 a. m. Mr. Linwood L. Latta teacher Men's Bible class. Morning prayer and sermon 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon 7:30 p. m. A welcome awaits all at this church.

St. Paul's: 16th and Market streets. Rev. Alexander Miller, rector. 7:30 a. m. Celebration of the Holy Communion. 9:45 a. m. The church school. 11:15 a. m. Litany and sermon. 7 p. m. Y. P. S. L. meeting.

CATHOLIC
St. Mary's—Masses on Sunday 7, 9, and 10:30. Masses during the week at 7 o'clock. Holy hour first Friday at 7 a. m.

HOLINESS
Church of God—411 Wright street. Rev. V. D. Camies, pastor. R. H. Willoughby, chorister. Mrs. Ruth Teachey, pianist. Sunday school at 10 a. m., T. G. Sellers, superintendent. Graded classes for all ages. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Special singing and music. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Young People's Endeavor will meet Friday at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend our services and worship with us.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Mrs. W. T. DeVane, Jr., will conduct non-denominational religious services this afternoon at 3 o'clock, and tonight at 8 o'clock, at the Castle Heights church, Fifteenth and Castle streets. Her subject will be "Heavenly Harmonies."

Special instrumental and vocal selections will be rendered at the night service. Singing will be led by a large mixed chorus choir, together with the Castle Heights orchestra. The public is invited to attend. Sunday school will assemble at 2 p. m. to study the text, "In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed; deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me: deliver me speedily; be thou my strong rock, for an house of defense to save me. For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me." Psm. 31-1, 2, 3.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
First Christian: Third and Ann streets. James Lawson, B. D., minister. Sunday school 9:45. John L. Sutton, superintendent. Morning worship 11. Evening worship 7:30. Visitors are cordially welcomed.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN
Fourth Street, Corner Fourth and Church streets. S. E. Thurlow, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. Senior Loyal Workers meeting 7 p. m. Night service 8 p. m. Sermon subject: "A Refuge in the Time of Storm." Prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesday night 8 p. m. Come and worship with us Sunday. You are cordially invited.

Sixth Street: James R. Lee, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. J. Dexter James superintendent. A class for every age. Morning worship 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor, "The New Birth." Loyal Workers (Youth) meeting 6:30 p. m. Men's prayer meeting 7:15 p. m. Evening worship 7:30 p. m. (out at 8:45). Sermon by the pastor, "Where do Spirit Soul and Body go at Death?"

NON-SECTARIAN
Church of God, 21st St. and Gibson avenue. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Midweek services Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited. J. L. Taylor, pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL
Gregory: Seventh and Nun streets. Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m. The morning service begins at 11:15. The pastor, Rev. M. Williams, will preach using for a subject "A Miracle." At the vesper service which begins at 6 o'clock the pastor will preach from the text, "Whom Do Men Say That I The Son of Man Am?" The public is invited. The pastor's aid will meet at the Center Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock. The Men's club will meet Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the Center. Choir rehearsal Friday evening at 6.

PRESBYTERIAN
Chestnut Street: Foot of McRae, on Chestnut. The Rev. J. D. Taylor, pastor. Julia Belden, chorister. Lula Jennings, organist. Edward McRae, superintendent of church school. Morning worship service 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor, subject, "On Receiving Christ." Church school at 12:15 p. m. with classes for all ages. Organ recital 5:30 p. m. The recital will be given by J. Milton Panetti, noted organist of the Andrews Music company of Charlotte, N. C. Mid-week service Wednesday evening at 7 p. m. Choir practice Friday evening at 7 p. m.



Norman H. Davis (left), chairman of the American Red Cross, talks over plans with Charles Evans Hughes, chief justice of the United States supreme court and vice president of the Red Cross, as the organization's board of incorporators holds its annual meeting in Washington, D. C. Davis reported that 8,250,000 members enrolled this year and that contributions to the war relief fund exceeded \$21,588,000.

Dr. Barton Returns From Church Meeting

The Rev. Arthur J. Barton, pastor of the Temple Baptist church, yesterday returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he attended a meeting of the executive committee and heads of agencies and institutions of the Southern Baptist convention.

Dr. Barton, who is chairman of the social service commission of the convention, said reports of church leaders showed substantial gains in all departments. He will occupy his pulpit at the 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. services today.

Financial reports of the executive committee, he said, indicated very substantial gains in contributions made by churches up to the present time as compared with a similar period last year.

Williston To Present Glee Club And Band

The Glee Club and Band of the Williston Industrial High school will present a joint concert at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the school auditorium.

The program will consist of songs and carols, quartet selections, solos, and sextets, and leaders will include Esther Hall Palmer, director of the glee club, and Melvin Wall, director of the band. The public is invited to attend.

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