

Church Notices

WATAUGA CHARGE METHODIST CHURCH
 Rev. N. C. Bush, pastor
 Liberty: 1st and 3rd Sundays, worship 10:00 a. m.
 Valle Crucis: 1st and 3rd Sundays, worship 11:00 a. m.
 Piney Grove: 1st and 3rd Sundays, worship 8:00 p. m.
 Mabel: 2nd and 4th Sundays, worship 10:00 a. m.
 Henson Chapel: 2nd and 4th Sunday, worship 11:00 a. m. 4th Sunday 8:00 p. m.

LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
 Raymond Hendrix, pastor
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 B. T. U. 7:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship 8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday prayer meeting 7:30 p. m.
 Joe Coffey, Jr., Superintendent

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Rev. John S. McDuffie, pastor
 9:30 a. m.—Morning Prayer
 (Holy Communion on 1st and 3rd Sundays)
 10:30 a. m.—Church School
 6:30 p. m.—Cantebury Club
 10:10 a. m. on Wednesdays, Holy Communion

BOONE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Rev. Francis J. Murphy, pastor.
 Rev. Joseph L. Hart, S.S.E., assistant.
 Sunday Mass
 1st and 2nd Sundays—11:15 a. m.
 Other Sundays—8:45 a. m.
 Confessions before Mass.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Blowing Rock
 Rev. G. Carlton, Cox, pastor
 10:00— a. m. Sunday School
 11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship
 7:30 p. m.—prayer meeting
 8:00 p. m.—Choir rehearsal
 8:00 p. m.—Evening Worship

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 George A. Arthur, pastor
 10 a. m. Sunday School
 11 a. m.—Morning worship
 6:15 p. m.—MILows
 6:45 p. m.—Youth Fellowship of Loyal Workers
 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship
 Wednesday: Prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
 Blowing Rock.
 Sunday Mass
 1st Sunday of month—9 a. m.
 Other Sundays—Mass in Boone.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Rev. E. F. Truesman, pastor
 Mrs. D. G. Moretz, Sr. and Mr. Wade Coffey, superintendents
 Sunday School at 10 a. m.
 Worship at 11 a. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 West Main Street
 Bible Study, Lord's Day, 10 a. m., morning worship 11, evening worship at 7:30 p. m.; Bible study Thursday 7:30 p. m.; Radio program every Lord's Day at 8:15 a. m. to 8:45 a. m.
 H. Ernest Shouf, Evangelist.

RUMBLE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Blowing Rock
 Rev. A. T. Newland, D. D., pastor
 Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Worship services every Sunday morning at 11.
 Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10.
 Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.
 Meeting of the young people 7-9 every Sunday night.
 The Women of the Church meet the second and fourth Monday nights.

MEAT CAMP ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 C. A. Kelly, pastor
 Pentecostal Service
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a. m.
 Christ Ambassador's 6:30 p. m. (young people)
 Evangelistic service 7:30 p. m.
 Midweek services
 Tuesday night prayer—7:30
 Friday night preaching—7:30

BOONE METHODIST CHURCH
 Everett H. Lowman, pastor.
 Sunday School 9:45, Ralph Tugman, Superintendent
 Morning Worship, 11:00
 Sermon topic: "The Miracle of Christmas."
 No evening programs will be observed.
 Christmas greetings to all.

PRESBYTERIAN CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE
 The Christmas morning service at the First Presbyterian Church will be at 10:30 o'clock downstairs in the fellowship room. This will be an informal family worship conducted by the young people of the church. Families are asked to sit together and bring their guests to sit with them.

LUTHERAN PARISH
 George W. Shuford, pastor.
 BETHANY:
 1st Sun.—11:00—Congregational meeting
 2nd and 3rd Sun.—night HOLY TRINITY:
 2nd Sunday—11:00—Congregational meeting
 4th Sunday—night HOLY COMMUNION:
 1st Sunday—2:30
 3rd Sunday—11:00—Congregational meeting

Midnight Mass Christmas Eve

A High Mass will be sung at the Catholic Church of the Epiphany in Blowing Rock at midnight Christmas Eve. The centuries-old liturgy of the church traditionally commemorates the hour of Christ's birth at midnight.

The Rev. Joseph L. Hart, S. S. E., will officiate at the Mass. Father Hart announced that Mass will also be celebrated in Boone on Christmas morning at 9 and 9:30 o'clock.

The Boone parish choir, under the direction of Ronald A. Craven, will sing the Midnight Mass. Both contemporary church music and the ancient Gregorian Chant of the church will be used to express the prayers of Mass, Christmas carols will be sung as a prelude to the Mass.

The doors of the church will be opened at 11 p. m. Christmas Eve for meditation and visits of devotion. Confessions will be heard from 11:25 to 11:55 p. m. The public is invited.

CARD OF THANKS
 We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many deeds and gifts of kindness shown us during the illness and death of our dear daughter, Jo Ann McGuire. May God bless each of you.—Mr. and Mrs. Talmage W. McGuire, and Michael.

CARD OF THANKS
 We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our friends who have been so generous to us since our house burned recently.—DAVE and BETTY RAGAN.

BUSINESS INTEREST RATE
 Commercial banks have increased the prime rate charged for loans to business concerns, from three and a quarter to three and one-half per cent, which is the highest level in more than twenty-five years. The increase was the second made this year.

Program Is Set At Three Forks

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the presentation of "The Nativity", a Christmas program, on Christmas night, December 25th, at 7:30 o'clock at Three Forks Baptist Church.

Members of the cast include Charles Michael, Earl Brookshire, Paul Brookshire, Jeanette Hollars, Mary Hollars, Gloria and Mary Hampton, Frank Shove, Farthing Hayes, J. D. and Treva Moretz, Bobby Howard, Dan Coffey, Muff Harmon, six angels, and the pastor, Rev. Homer F. Greene.

The program is directed by Emmett Elledge, director of music.

Let us worship in the true meaning of Christmas this year by attending this program on Christmas night. May we all truly sing together, "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

Yule Pageant At Oak Grove

A simple, beautiful Christmas pageant using music, tableaux, and the reading of the Holy Scriptures will be presented by the Oak Grove Baptist Church, Thursday evening, December 22, at 7:30 o'clock. This program in the form of "The Christmas Story" will impress the story of the Nativity on eye and ear and heart. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Yule Stories Again On TV

Boone area residents may see two traditional and well-beloved Christmas stories on television December 24.

The show, "The Spirit of Christmas," includes both "The Nativity" and "The Night Before Christmas." It will appear on WBT, Channel 3, at Charlotte.

"Telephone company sponsorship of these Christmas stories on television has become traditional, and is a matter of real pleasure for all of us as company employees," H. M. Inabinet, Southern Bell manager, said.

He added that both stories are re-enacted by the Mabel Beaton Marionettes, with specially arranged Christmas music.

Southern Bell first sponsored "The Spirit of Christmas" in 1951. This year it will be shown over 45 television stations in the Southeast.

Farm Questions And Answers

Question: What can I do to keep mites out of my hands?

Answer: John A. Christian, Extension meats specialist, advises exposing the ham to light for three to four days. Use 100 watt light bulbs two feet from meat; always protect the meat from skipper flies. Christian says you should check cured meats that are wrapped at storage. The mites are active in the summer; they are small and white and generally are found on lean portions of meat.

Question: How valuable is a winter cover crop?

Answer: The ASC says that a good legume cover crop turned under in the spring will yield an equivalent of 300 to 400 pounds of nitrogen fertilizer to the acre. The cover, when turned under, also provides a way to keep up the organic matter in the soil, increase the ability of the soil to soak up and hold moisture, and improve soil structure.

Question: How long should I keep hens?

Answer: Not beyond the first year of lay, unless the hen is a proven breeder, an exceptionally high producer, or both.

TEASING FATAL

New York—Friends teased William Oliver, 17, so much about his qualifications to become a paratrooper that, as they were crossing Harlem Bridge, the boy, flushed with anger, vaulted the 4-foot railing, removed his shirt and shoes and plunged 180 feet to the river below. It took an hour to recover his body.

HOBBY HORSE RUSTLERS

Charleston, S. C.—Proving that there are all kinds of rustlers in the world—this time they pried open a pay-as-you-ride hobby horse in a local store and stole \$150 in dimes.

THANK YOU! AD FREE
 Cincinnati, Ohio—Ten-year-old George Biedenback telephoned the Cincinnati Enquirer office to insert an advertisement thanking his school teacher, Mrs. Lucille W.

Webb, from whom she had done for him and three of his schoolmates. The proposed ad read: "We don't know how to express our feelings and thanks. We can never repay what you have given us this year.

Thank you so much." The ad-taker was so impressed with the idea that the feelings of the boys were expressed free of charge as a news article in the Enquirer.



"Star of Wonder, Star of Light"

See that star atop the tree? Down through the ages, it has been the symbol of wonder and the spiritual light which brings people together—uniting them with the common bond of loving kindness, friendship and cooperation. That same spirit is felt every day of our lives in whatever we do—people working together for the well being of all.

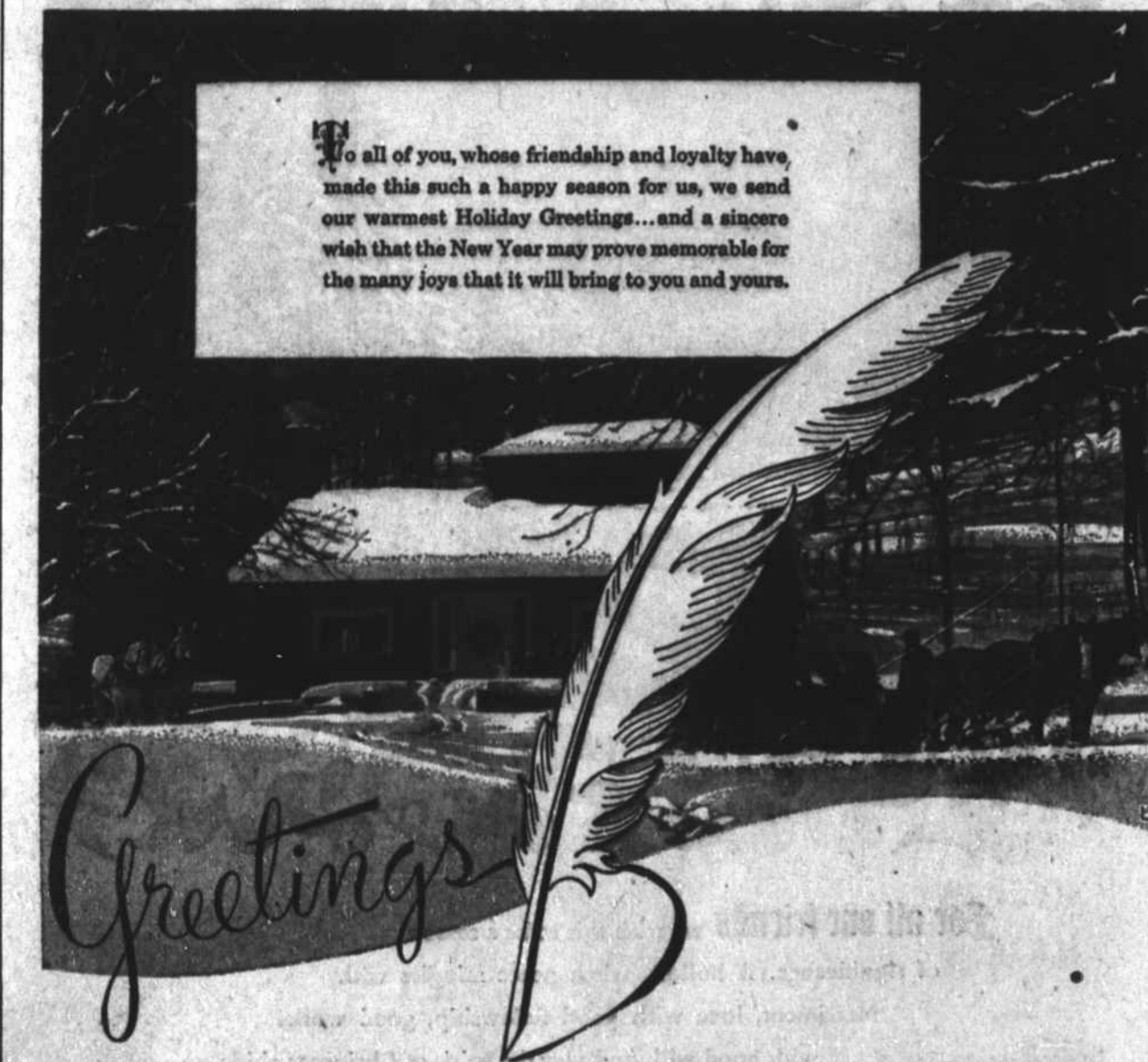
This Christmas, as you look at that star, hundreds of member-consumers along the miles of electric lines—folks like you who know the true meaning of friendship and cooperation—will join you in offering thanks for our many blessings.

From all of us, especially to you, a sincerely warm and happy

Merry Christmas

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To all of you, whose friendship and loyalty have made this such a happy season for us, we send our warmest Holiday Greetings...and a sincere wish that the New Year may prove memorable for the many joys that it will bring to you and yours.

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CHRISTMAS IN OUR HEARTS

"... And so in this way, my children, Christ was born in Bethlehem."

But Christmas is more than the celebration of this event which happened long ago and far away. It is a present reality.

Through the eyes of faith we see ourselves kneeling before the manger. We have come to adore our new-born King.

Through the wonder of faith, the Christmas story becomes alive. The Christ Child is born in our hearts. The angels speak to us:

"Behold I bring you tidings of great joy . . . For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord!"

Our Bethlehem today is our Church and Sunday School. Let us go and take our children to worship our new-born King.

THE CHURCH FOR ALL . . . ALL FOR THE CHURCH

The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Matthew	1	18-25
Monday	Matthew	2	1-12
Tuesday	Matthew	2	13-23
Wednesday	Isaiah	11	1-10
Thursday	Isaiah	40	1-11
Friday	John	1	1-18
Saturday	Psalms	103	1-22

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