

Church Services

Presbyterian Church
 Rev. J. A. Flanagan, Pastor
 Franklin—(Each Sunday)
 10 a. m.—Sunday school.
 11 a. m.—Worship services.
 Morrison—(Each Sunday)
 2:30 p. m.—Sunday school.
 (Each 2nd and 4th Sunday)
 3:30 p. m.—Worship services.

St. Agnes Episcopal Church
 The Rev. Frank Bloxham, Rector
 9 a. m.—Holy communion and sermon.

Baptist Church
 Rev. C. F. Rogers, Pastor
 9:45 a. m.—Bible school.
 11 a. m.—Morning worship.
 6:30 p. m.—B. T. U. and Brotherhood.
 7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.

Franklin Methodist Church
 The Rev. Ivon L. Roberts, Pastor
 (Each Sunday)
 10 a. m.—Sunday school.
 11 a. m.—Worship services.
 7:30 p. m.—Vesper service.

Macon Circuit
 Rev. J. C. Swain, Pastor
 First Sunday, 11 a. m.—Union;
 2:00 p. m.—Hickory Knoll; 7:30 p. m.—Asbury.
 Second Sunday, 11:00 a. m.—Mt. Zion; 2:30 p. m.—Maiden's; 7:30 p. m.—Patton's.
 Third Sunday, 11:00 a. m.—Asbury; 2:00 p. m.—Mulberry; 3:00 p. m.—Dryman's; 7:30 p. m.—Union.
 Fourth Sunday, 11 a. m.—Patton's; 2:30 p. m.—Maiden's; 7:30 p. m.—Mt. Zion.

St. John's Catholic Parish
 Schedule of Masses:
 Franklin:
 2nd and 4th Sunday, 8 a. m.
 Murphy:
 Every 1st Sunday, 7 a. m.
 Cherokee:
 Every 3rd Sunday, 8 a. m.
 Waynesville:
 Every Sunday, 11 a. m.
 Canton:
 Every 5th Sunday, 8 a. m.

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This Month On the Farm



Bolivar Pigg, he sez, sez he:
 'This life is like a Christmas tree.
 Givin' is what makes either shine;
 At least, that's how it looks to me.'
 —Sez Bolivar P., sez he.

Farm families are busy preparing for Christmas at this season of the year, but there are plenty of tasks that need attention. So here are timely suggestions from your specialists at State college:

SWINE

The month of December usually means "hog - killing" weather throughout North Carolina. But, warns Prof. Earl Hostetter, there are other things that are important in curing meat besides cold weather. Pork of excellent quality can be cured on the farm if precautions are taken in slaughtering the hogs and in curing, smoking, and storing the meat. Be sure the job is done right. Complete directions are contained in Extension Circular No. 34, which may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Agricultural Editor at State College, Raleigh.

AGRONOMY

There are any number of things the crop farmer can do in this twelfth month of the year, says Enos Blair, extension agronomist. The Coastal Plain farmer can disc under all corn stalks, bean stalks, and cotton stalks before Christmas to improve the fertility of his soil. In the Piedmont, the grower should plow all clover and lespedeza lands that are to be planted to corn, cotton, or any other crop next spring. Then, too, the farmer who produces any kind of seed for market can utilize the rainy days of December to put the seed in salable condition. Good weather can be used to clean off ditch banks and irregular places in the field.

DAIRYING

The dairy cow's four stomachs have a capacity of 40 to 60 gallons. So, says Extension Dairyman John Arey, this animal is no nibbler. The cow's digestive organs function best when well filled with good feed. That's the reason roughage is so important in her diet. A pound of nutrients can be produced more cheaply in roughage than in grain. Therefore, it is considered a good feeding policy to give a cow all the roughage she will eat. Legume hay, such as alfalfa, soybeans, lespedeza, cowpeas, or clover, is unquestionably the best hay for dairy cows. Mixed hays, such as a legume and a grass, legumes with oats and barley, are also good. Besides hay, cows need a succulent feed. Silage and winter cover crops are recommended for this purpose.

INVENTORY

A farm inventory is simply a list of everything a farmer owns and owes at a particular time, says R. W. Shoffner, State college farm management specialist. It serves as a basis for all other farm records, and for the time spent, it gives more valuable information about the farm business than any other type of financial record. Here are some of the things a farm inventory will show: the amount of net worth above all debts; whether or not the farmer is getting ahead financially and how much; and a valuable list of all property which may be used in case of fire for settling estates, and other purposes. Farmers should plan now to take a farm inventory at the end of 1939.

POULTRY

December is a critical month for the poultryman, says Roy Dearstyne, head of the State college poultry department. Winter is here, necessitating many days of confinement for the laying birds, which should be in production by this time. Careful management must be practiced, since any neglect under such conditions is immediately reflected in the birds' performance. Check carefully the following items: ventilation, drop curtains, dropping boards, nesting material, and breeding pens. Naturally, careful feeding must be practiced, and V-shaped troughs used for feeding scratch. Above all, don't let disease get started in your flock. Cull depressed birds at once.

PLANT PATHOLOGY

Dr. R. F. Poole, plant disease expert, says there are many cases where sweet potatoes now in banks will rot unless protected from low temperatures and water. Also, he says, this is a good time to cut out dead limbs of trees in yards and orchards. Cut close to the trunk of the tree and apply a heavy coating of paint to the exposed surface.

TOBACCO

Right now, tobacco farmers should begin to get their plant beds ready for the 1940 crop, says Lloyd Weeks, extension tobacco specialist. If possible, choose a new site this year, so as to avoid any disease organisms that might have remained in the old bed. If an old bed site must be used, it should be burned, or sterilized by steam. Locate the bed in a sunny, well-drained place. A loamy type of soil is best.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON

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Lesson for December 3

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SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 10:24-39.
 GOLDEN TEXT—Let him that heareth say, Come.—Revelation 22:17.

"Bewilderment." That is the word which the president of a great American university recently said accurately described the present condition of the minds of men. Little wonder that the men of the world are bewildered, for they are like mariners who sail an unknown sea after having thrown away map and compass. Without Christ and without God's Word men cannot be anything but bewildered.

That which gives us even greater concern is that many who are Christians, who really know the Guide and who have the Guidebook, are also declaring themselves to be utterly bewildered. What is the reason? Obviously that they have not read the Book and have not talked with their Lord.

Our lesson for the coming Lord's Day touches on one of the problems which causes many Christians to question God's love and care. They find that their efforts to testify for Him by word or life meet with a violent reaction from a bitter world, and they discover that such a life involves personal sacrifice and frequently results in even the members of their own families turning against them. Can this be God's way of dealing with His people? The answer is found in His Word. The Christian is to be

I. Fearless in a Hostile World (vv. 24-28, 32, 33).

Note carefully that he is not to be silent (vv. 32, 33). We deny our Lord when we fail to speak for Him when we ought to do so. Christianity is not something to be hidden in one's own bosom, a fire to warm one's own soul. It is good news which is to be proclaimed even from the housetops.

But, someone will say, when I do speak there is opposition; they call me names, they threaten to kill me. Yes, and what of it? "The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his Lord" (v. 24). They called Jesus a devil. They even crucified Him. Should we then expect to be borne to glory on flowery beds of ease? God knows all about this, yes, even about the hidden and whispered plottings of evil men (v. 26). He will deal with them and judge them in due season.

We need not fear men. The most they can do is to kill the body. Let us consider the eternal God, who not only may take the life out of the body, but is also able to cast both soul and body into hell (v. 28). God is not as a theory, a bit of pious imagination. He is real. He is all-powerful. Why then should we be fearful if we serve Him in faithful devotion?

II. Fearless in Personal Life (vv. 29-31).

It is one thing to be bold in the midst of battle. It is quite another thing to be fearless in the quiet of one's own room, or of one's own heart. Satan is expert at that point. He comes to us with his humiliating accusations of our unworthiness, yes, of our worthlessness. Sadly enough our own knowledge of ourselves confirms his dismal judgment.

But wait! If we are Christians we are not our own. We are bought with a price, the precious blood of Christ. We belong to Him. He is our advocate with the Father. Let Him meet our accuser. What does He say? He tells us that He has numbered the very hairs of our head (v. 30), that even a dying sparrow concerns Him, and that we are worth more than many sparrows (v. 31). We are His and He is our Saviour, Friend and Brother. Let us look up and be without fear.

III. Fearless in the Family Circle (vv. 34-39).

Here, after all, is the acid test of discipleship. Christ did not come in order to stir up needless strife between members of the family, but He well knew that divisions would come as the result of true discipleship. Men who are ordinarily kind and cultured in their dealings with their friends and families but who do not know Christ, can become like veritable demons against any one in that circle who hears the call of Christ and follows Him.

No human tie, no matter how intimate or precious, is to be permitted to stand between the individual and his devotion to Christ. If it does, Christ is evidently no longer first. He is no longer Lord of all in the life, and if He is not Lord of all, He is not Lord at all.

While it seems almost paradoxical to say it, Scripture teaches and experience demonstrates that if you keep your life for yourself and your own interests, it will die in your very hands and you will lose it. If you give your life in glad abandonment to God, on the other hand, you will receive it back from Him transformed, enriched, and glorified by His grace and blessing.

2,000 Hunters To Take Part In Pisgah Hunt This Year

ASHEVILLE, Dec. 29. — The first 2,000 hunters making application will be given hunting privileges in the Pisgah national game preserve during a period of one month, which began November 27, it was announced here by H. B. Bosworth, supervisor of the Pisgah national forest. The hunt will be conducted in three-day periods during the next four weeks with approximately two hundred hunters entering the game preserve during each three days.

The 1939 national game preserve hunt was announced suddenly following approval by Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace. The 97,000 acre game preserve has been stocked with deer for several decades and has a large number of well populated deer herds. So large is the supply of deer here, according to forest officials, that it is necessary to conduct the annual hunts in an effort to reduce the size of the herds.

Applications have been mailed to hunters who have participated in previous annual hunts in the preserve and others interested may make application direct to the regional national forest office in Atlanta, Ga. Prospective hunters may secure application blanks from the offices of the Pisgah national forest in Asheville.

A fee of \$5 will be charged each hunter and no state fee will be charged. Each hunter may take one buck, one doe or one bear, if he is successful during the three days' hunting allotted to him.

The game preserve has been divided into three areas of approximately equal acreage and the areas will be alternated as hunting territory during the three-day periods in order that hunters may have fresh territory to hunt in each of the hunting periods. Applicants selected for the first three-day hunting period will be notified by telegraph, it was announced.

By means of the annual hunts and by trapping adult deer and the rearing of motherless fawns for transfer to other game preserves, forest officials here are endeavoring to keep the deer population reduced to a point where the food supply in the preserve will be adequate. Large herds of deer also, forest biologists state, tend to induce epidemics of diseases. Hunts have been conducted on the preserve annually for five years, and some 500 to 600 hundred deer and bear have been bagged each season by hunters, totaling 1,200 to 2,000 each season. Hunters must be citizens of the United States or its territories or possessions and must be 21 years of age.

Muse's Corner

HOMESICKNESS

The streets are crowded,
 The cars fly by
 With never a pedestrian shutting his eye.
 The people don't care whether I'm here or there,
 I'm just another person on their thoroughfare.

It's not like that in my home town,
 The streets are not crowded
 And the cars slow down.
 The people, they speak with a "howdy" you do—
 And we're one happy family with plenty to do.

I guess it is strange to these city folk
 That people get lonesome in all their smoke,
 For they say there's movies and dances galore,
 Parties and picnics down on the shore.

But it's not like the mountains full of fresh air
 Where snow blows on your face
 And wind tangles your hair.
 Smells from the forest give you a thrill
 Whereas there's nothing here but smoke from the mills.

I'm going home, away from this place
 For a three-weeks' vacation
 Where there's plenty of space—
 To walk in the forests and down under the falls
 To visit the lake and see night quietly fall.

These people won't miss me,
 I'm one of the slew
 So "Highlands" keep waiting,
 I'm thinking of you

E. G. E.

CREATION

As we view the wonderful creation of God,
 We know that we will all be laid beneath the sod.
 We see the sun with its wonderful heat and light,
 We anxiously wait for the light of the moon on a dark and dreary night.

As we study the greatness of the earth and the wonder of the sea,
 We can't decide which one we had rather be.
 We see the great battle between sea and land,
 Then we are reminded of the battles of restless and sinful man.

Then the cold and chill of those windy winter days;
 As beautiful spring and summer approaches,
 They stubbornly pass away.
 Through all the winter months no life in vegetation is seen,
 But soon, we all thank God, the earth is green.

We scale the majestic mountain peaks, for this they are,
 To view the landscape near and far.
 We watch the clouds and thirst for the rain,
 To grow our crops and ripen the grain.

Men dig up the earth in search of iron and lead,
 And thousands of miners have died on a stony bed,
 Men go to the depths of the earth in search of silver and gold,
 And we are taught that the value and love of them are very old.

If we stand by the beautiful, busy mountain stream,
 We can see them as they hurry by to their graves in the oceans
 Never to be seen,
 When we go through the forest and gaze at the giant tree,
 We hear the small ones whispering to them, "We are as old as thee."

We watch the birds as they easily fly,
 With the glorious thought, we will live in the sky.
 Men sow clean grain knowing there are tares,
 And to keep them out will require much care.

Some look at the forest as commercial wealth,
 While others live in them to regain their health.
 Some people are strong while others are weak,
 But the beautiful life is seen in the meek.

People go around the earth wisdom and knowledge to gain
 And many return with neither obtained.
 After studying the wonders of God's creative plan,
 We know that the climax was reached in the Redemption of Man.
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