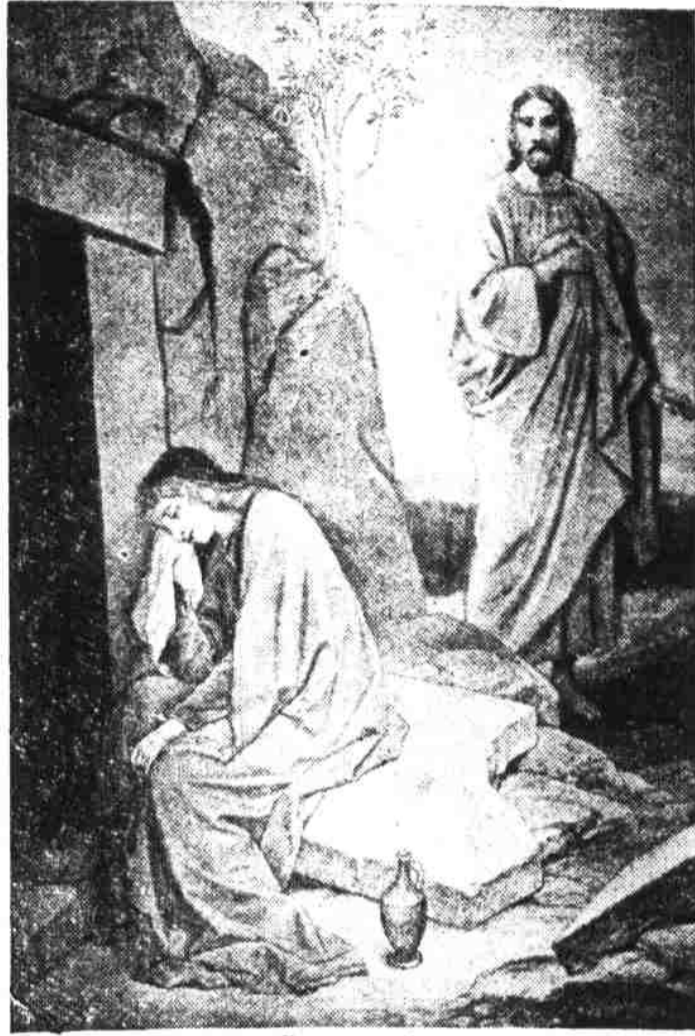


Come to EASTER SERVICES



The Golden Text



Easter morning.

"The Lord is risen indeed."—Luke 24:34.

ETERNAL LIFE (Easter Lesson)

ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—John 21:1-14; Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17; I John 5:11, 12.



The third time Jesus appeared to His disciples after His crucifixion and resurrection, was at the sea of Tiberias. Six of them had gone fishing with Peter but they caught nothing although they had fished all night.



As they neared shore in the morning, Jesus was standing on the beach, but "they knew Him not." He told them to cast their net on the other side of the ship, and when they did it grew heavy with fish.



John, the beloved disciple, recognized Jesus first and told Simon Peter, "It is the Lord." Peter plunged into the sea to wade or swim to shore, and the others came in the ship, dragging the heavy fish net.



There was a fire on the beach and fish upon it, and Jesus told them to bring their fish and dine. No one dared ask who He was for they knew it was the Lord.

MEMORY VERSE—Luke 24:34.

Oldest Methodist Church-Goer



MRS. ELIZA JANE SINK, of Lexington, receiving an award for the nomination as the oldest church school attendant in the Methodist conference. The picture of Christ is being presented Mrs. Sink by Carl H. King, executive secretary of the conference.

Hazelwood Methodist Church Starts Revival Series Sunday, Mar. 28

Revival services will be held at the Hazelwood Methodist Church March 28 through April 6 with Mrs. C. L. Steidley, of High Point as the evangelistic speaker. Young people's services will be held at 3:30 o'clock each afternoon beginning on Tuesday, March 30. The regular evening services will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

Good Friday Service At St. John's Church

The Very Rev. Cajetan Foley, O. F. M., will deliver the sermon in St. John's church on Good Friday at 7:30 p. m. Father Foley is pastor of St. Anthony's church, of Asheville. The Easter services in St. John's church are: Holy Saturday, High Mass at 9 a. m., Easter Sunday, High Mass at 11 a. m. There are Low Masses Easter Sunday in St. Joseph's church, Bryson City, at 8 a. m. and in the William Wise home, Sylva, at 8 a. m.

TRUTH TABERNACLE

Seventh Day Adventist
L. P. Knecht, Pastor
Sabbath school, 9:45 a. m., Saturday. Lesson subject, "Mystery of God Finished."
Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "Christian Perfection."
Services Sunday night, Subject, "No Law But Love."

Marriage Licenses

J. A. Morris, of Canton, and Dorothy Leatherwood, of Clyde. Wilson W. Holland and Callie A. Clarke, both of Haywood County. Sam Cartner, of Mocksville and Margaret P. Corbin, of Waynesville. Claude Frady and Janet Deaver, both of Canton.

A new high for dead heats was set this year at the Hialeah horse race meeting when there were five for first, one for second and three for third during the 40 days.

tion of alcohol and the resultant degrading of men and women is reaching a new high—and we talk about what we are going to do with the revenue! We are becoming a nation of money changers and merchandisers. It is but a step from secularism, where we now are, to atheism, and from atheism to socialism, and from socialism to communism. Do we want that?

The message of Holy Week to every American should be, "To your knees, America, to your knees! Cleanse the temple. Put God back in the center—without that the future holds only darkness!"

The Everyday Counselor



REV. HERBERT SPAULD, D. D.

What has happened to our National Prayer Days, those we had during the last war, particularly on D Day? I have just been reviewing my scrapbook of World War days. It all reminds me how soon we forget.

This is Holy Week, the most sacred of the year to Christians everywhere. It was on Monday in Holy Week that Jesus went into Jerusalem and cleansed the Temple. That is just what we need to do in America today. We need to cleanse the temple of our national life, of our personal lives. The money changing and merchandising, all good in their place, but which crowded God out of the ancient Temple, have crowded Him out of our national life.

The most tragic indication of this is the recent decision of our Supreme Court ruling the teaching of the Bible out of our public schools. Yet the very Constitution, which our Supreme Court today interprets in a way to close the Bible out of our public schools, was given us by godly men. When we read the history of its making, we find that there was discussion, selfishness and confusion until the venerable Benjamin Franklin rose to his feet, reminded them that he had left God out of their deliberations, and that no nation could rise to greatness without God's blessing and guidance. He then made the motion that all sessions thereafter of the Constitution Convention be opened with prayer, which was unanimously carried. That is when the Constitution commenced to develop. History is clear enough on that.

It was never the desire of the Founding Fathers of the republic that freedom of religion meant freedom from religion. Yet that is what the recent Supreme Court decision would seem to indicate. It reflects a growing neutrality, if not hostility, on the part of the government to religion. Yet all about us the symbolism

at the republic points to the fact that this was planned to be a God-centered nation. The great seal of the United States, found on the back of our dollar bill, indicates that "The coin of the realm is stamped with, 'In God We Trust'."

We went to God on our knees during the last war when our loved ones were away from us, many of them facing the gravest dangers. Now we are re-fleeing God to second place.

We won the war, because we united our efforts and sought the help and guidance of Almighty God. Now we are losing the peace because we are doing the opposite. We are not united! We are not seeking God! The temple of national life is not clean! Consumption of alcohol and the resultant degrading of men and women is reaching a new high—and we talk about what we are going to do with the revenue! We are becoming a nation of money changers and merchandisers. It is but a step from secularism, where we now are, to atheism, and from atheism to socialism, and from socialism to communism. Do we want that?

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Mrs. Sink was presented recently with a large copy of Salmon's Arie Moore, Franklin.

Sunday School Lesson

ETERNAL LIFE (Easter Lesson)

HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

The International Uniform Lesson on the above topic for March 28 is John 21:1-14, Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17, I John 5:11, 12.

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL.

IN THESE troubled times, when the Soviet Union is extending its rule over more and more formerly free nations, being step by step "communistized," we are reminded again and again of the time of Jesus when he came to bring a "heavenly kingdom" to this world.

In the Holy Land, too, where the Lord lived, died and rose again, at this Easter time there is bitterness and strife, as the Jewish people battle for a homeland in the country that once was theirs.

After His resurrection, Jesus had appeared twice to His disciples. Now He appears to them again on the beach at the sea of Tiberias. On Galilee, it happened in this way: Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, the two sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples, were together. Peter said he was going fishing, and so all said they would go too. They boarded a

dine," and none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who art Thou?" knowing it was the Lord.

Jesus took bread and gave it to them, and also fish. And this was the third time the Risen Lord had shown Himself after His resurrection.

At first thought it might seem strange that Jesus should address these men, many of whom were older than He, as "Children," but it was a sweet, affectionate way of greeting those who had for so long been His constant companions.

After these appearances of Jesus, and after He had left them and gone to His Father, they preached His gospel everywhere, without fear and with great success. He had gone, but His spirit was with them, and they would one day share His glory. Whether death came to them by martyrdom or naturally, their future was sure and they were not afraid.

In his letter to the Colossians, Paul pleads with them to look

MEMORY VERSE

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small fishing ship and fished all night, without catching a fish. When morning came they were near the shore and saw a man on the beach. It was Jesus Christ, but "they knew Him not." He called to them, "Children, have ye any meal?" or as we would say, "Have you caught anything?" They answered, No.

"And He said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes."

John, the beloved disciple, first recognized Jesus and said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard this he threw himself into the sea, presumably to swim or wade ashore to meet the Master. The others came in the little ship dragging the net with the fishes.

When they came to land they saw there was a fire on the beach and fish laid thereon, and bread. Jesus told them to bring the fish they had caught. Peter drew the net to land full of "great fishes," 153 of them, but even with so many the net had not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and

up to things above, not down on things of the earth. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

Their reward would come, he wrote, for "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory." This was his promise to these friends who were often in danger of their lives merely by being known as followers of Christ.

John, in his first epistle, also pleads with his fellow Christians in Colosse, a great city in the province of Asia, and he urges them to live in love with one another while still on the earth.

"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought to love one another."

"No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us."
These early Christians, those who had known Jesus when He was on earth, and those who followed shortly after, had the spirit of the Risen Lord in their hearts and in their lives. "Go thou, and do likewise!"

THE ARCHES

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Elliott, Pastor
at 9:45. Ben Philpott, calls attention to this is the time to attend a general lesson. There is a special service at 11:00. Sermon at this service. "The music has been this service."

at 6:30 p. m. A service is being held at 10:00 o'clock. Sermon at 11:00 o'clock. Subject, "The Resurrection."

at 7:30. The service on "The Woman at the Well." This is an address of sermons on the life of the Bible. At the service the ordinance will be observed. A prayer meeting, Wednesday, and a church retreat at 11:00.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Williamson, Pastor
at 10:00 o'clock. Sermon at 11:00 o'clock. Subject, "The Resurrection."

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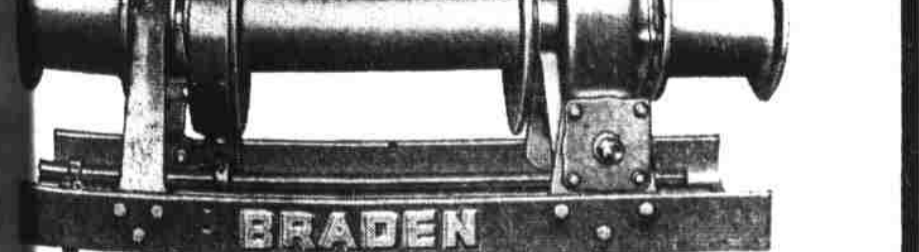
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