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Trinity's Choirs Preparing Special Music for Advent Season

Senior MYF Plans Christmas Drama on Sunday, Dec. 13

Members of the Senior MYF will present the drama, "Substance and Shadow," by Bruce Lockerbie, Sunday evening, Dec. 13, at 7:30, to the Trinity congregation.

This is the traditional Christmas story done through shadow, narration, and song. The choir will sing familiar Christmas carols at intervals as the story unfolds. It is a program for the entire family.

Mary Ann Plant will be the Narrator. Eleven senior boys and one girl will depict the characters of the story, under the direction of Mrs. Wesley Vordenberg and Miss Jane Chapman. The rest of the department will form the choir under the direction of Mr. Wilfred Mears. The Senior boys, with Mr. Fred Tyler's assistance, will build the sets.

This will be a different kind of presentation of the Christmas story, but one which all ages can enjoy.

Building Fund Campaign in Final Stretch Drive

With a total of \$381,196 of the \$450,000 quota turned in, Roy Berry, church manager, has geared his workers for the closing drive of the Trinity Building Fund Campaign.

"There are about 345 families still to be contacted," said Mr. Berry, "and we are sure that their pledges will put us up to the \$450,000 mark. But the last \$50,000 is the hardest to get and we need the help of every loyal church worker."

With the arrival of the Advent Season, Trinity's holiday program, aimed at making this period a "home season" with the families of the church practicing togetherness to the greatest possible extent, is underway.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services Sunday morning, Dec. 6, with Dr. James and the Rev. Danny Morris at the altar. That evening, Dr. James will discuss the topic, "How Free Are You?".

Music will play an even more important part in church services during the holidays, according to Dr. Glenn C. James.

Special Choir Program

At Christmas time there is music in the air wherever one goes. This is especially true of Trinity, for all of the choirs are busy preparing music for the special Christmas services. Trinity members and their friends will want to make a note of these services and plan to attend them so that the Christmas season may be made more rich and meaningful to them.

The first special program will be on Sunday evening, December 6. This will be a carol sing with the emphasis on congregational participation.

The Chancel Choir will present its special Christmas music at the two morning services on December 13. The choir will sing a short cantata entitled "Puer Natus" by David Williams.

The following Sunday evening, December 20, all of the choirs will participate in a vesper candle light service. The children and youth choirs will present "A Carol Service for Children" by Herbert Grieb. This

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Need Trinity Families to "Adopt" FSU Students

Clarence Hale, chairman of the Operation Seminole project for this year, says that more than 75 young people from Florida State University desire to be "adopted" by Trinity families. To date, sufficient families have not stepped forward and volunteered their services.

What is involved?

As little or as much as you desire. The chief purpose is to have the students at Florida State with Methodist affiliations feel at home in our community. Please call the church office if you will offer to be substitute mama or papa during this school year.

Wesleyan Service Guild Group to Meet One Week Earlier

Regular group meetings for the Wesleyan Service Guild will be held one week earlier than usual during the month of December. All six groups are expected to meet the second Monday in December; each group will work on its special Christmas project. The Guild Board meets on Dec. 9 at 7:30 in the Church Library.

Plans are already underway for the big meeting in January when Trinity's Guild will be hostess to the district meeting. This is scheduled for the second Sunday in January. Save the date, Guild members. It starts with our worshipping together at the eleven o'clock service and includes a dinner, discussions and inspirational speakers.—Josephine Ezell, reporter.

Woman's Society of Christian Service Completes Study on Role of United Nations in Affairs of the World

The Woman's Society of Christian Service has completed its Christian-Social Relations study course, "The Role of the United Nations in World Affairs."

Session I was held at the regular general meeting at which time Dr. James gave an ideals-assessing challenge in his talk, "Christian Responsibilities in the World Today." Invocation for guidance during the study was led by Mrs. E. V. Fisher. The prayer of an English child, midst World War II bombings was sung by Mrs. Pearce Barrett. Also at the opening session Mrs. Emerson Tully, director of the study, gave a brief talk on the organization of the United Nations. This talk was illustrated by filmstrips, "The Need for a U N Charter," and, "We of the United Nations."

Session II of the study course was devoted to an examination of the services which the U N and its agencies offer contemporary man. Following a devotional presented by Mrs. Ledley Brown, an explanation of the technical services rendered by the World Health Organization, the Social and Economic Council, UNESCO, the Food and Agricultural Organization, and UNICEF, was given by Mrs. Gifford Hale and Mrs. Tully. A film, "Report to the American People on Technical Assistance," was viewed at this session.

At session III a lecture, "Humanism and the United Nation," was delivered by Dr. Richard Gray, professor of international government at FSU. Dr. Gray talked of the implications of the UN supported Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Following his talk, Dr. Gray invited questions from the floor, a period of question and "possible answers" which proved to be one of the highlights of the course.

At Session IV Mrs. John Crotty gave personal histories of people and events in the undeveloped countries taken from the book, "I Saw Technical Assistance Change Lives." Mrs. Spencer Burress led a discussion of "Ways in Which to Meet Unjustified Attacks on the U.N." After this, a film, "The Sound of a Stone" was shown.

Plan Two More Cub Dens As Part of Trinity Pack

Plans for two additional Cub Scout dens as part of Trinity's Cub Pack 107 project are being made by Dave Kerns, pack leader, and his helpers. One den will be in the east or southeast section of the city, the other in the western part of Tallahassee.

Two Cub dens are now in operation under the 15-year old charter held by Trinity. Mrs. Wm. Hutchison and Mrs. Ernest Webb are den mothers of one, with Mrs. M. I. Rorabaugh in charge of the second.

The Pack usually meets the fourth Tuesday of the month, but this month, because of Christmas, will meet on the third Tuesday.

Trinity families with boys from 8 to 11 interested in joining this worthwhile movement are urged to phone the Church Office for more information,

United Church Women Plan to Aid Migrant Children

Tallahassee members of the United Church Women of Florida will take part in a Christmas Project for Migrant Children at a meeting to be held Friday, Dec. 4, from 4 to 6 p.m., at Westminster Presbyterian church.

Those who wish to help in the project are asked to send or bring gifts for children from babies to those fourteen years of age. Clothing is the most pressing need in the gift line, with toys, educational gifts for elder children, and group gifts for club programs, in that order. Sewing kits for older girls will also be acceptable.

Mrs. John T. Sewell, a member of Trinity family, discussed Christian Social Relations as part of a forum conducted during the meeting of the United Church Women of Florida, Nov. 12, at Pensacola. Mrs. Charles Phillips, St. Paul's Methodist, presided during the day-long session. Other local participants were: Mrs. Myron Nimkoff, First Presbyterian church, and Mrs. W. B. McGee, First Christian church, president of the Tallahassee UCW.

Did You Know . . .

- That Fred Tyler constructed the six music stands which are used in the Primary and Junior departments? Thank you, Mr. Tyler.
- That Bill Grow has returned from Casablanca where he served with the Air Force.
- That Bob White has completed his service with the US Coast Guard. It is good to have him back home.
- That Spencer Burress is the new president and Ernest Menendez the vice-president of the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce? They will take office in January. J. D. Williamson is president now.
- That Pleas Strickland is the Publication Chairman of the Florida Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship? Carol Tyler is secretary-treasurer of the group.

Class Honoring Wesley Carter New Sunday School Group

The first meeting of the new Wesley Carter Class was held November 7. The Sunday school class is named in memory of M. Wesley Carter, who served his God and Church by being a member of the Trinity Chancel Choir for over forty years. Eligibility for membership is automatic for all active, inactive and emeritus members of Trinity Chancel Choir. Also invited to membership are the spouses and fiancees of the above persons.

At an election for class officers held November 15, Irvin Cole was elected president, Caroline Gaines, vice-president, and Pat and John Crotty were jointly elected to the position of secretary-treasurer.

Cuba Special Gifts Climb to \$1,987

Gifts by members and friends of Trinity to the Cuba Special fund have brought the total to \$1,987.39.

There is still a long way to go to reach the goal of \$3,800.

The need for our total effort to help Rev. Milk and his family continue this worthwhile project is clear.

Send your gift to the church office today or bring it to the morning service Sunday.

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Seventh Grade MYF Keeps Members Busy With Fine Program

Get in the Christmas spirit and come to our caroling party on Sunday night, December 20. This will be immediately following the Choir Vespers at the church. We will go by bus to carol for a number of the shut-ins of the church. Then we will stop at Joe Parramore's home for some fun and refreshments.

We had a bang-up time at the hamburger supper, which was held at Janice James' on Friday, November 20. Some 30 members of our group enjoyed games, good food, and singing at the bon fire on the lake. Thanks to Lee Hargrove, Janie Aho, and the Ways for such a good party. Thanks, too, to the chef, Mr. Walter James. He's the best!

Kathy Bussard and Mark Watson planned a most unusual Thanksgiving program, "Thanksgiving Through the Ages". This was a drama in four acts: "Hebrew Festival," "Jesus' Followers' Give Thank", "Indians for Thanksgiving," and "Our Christian Thanksgiving". The entire group was costumed and had a part. Thanks to Terry Davis for the decorations.

At the close of the service the group voted to give all the money in our treasury for Carol Milk's Christmas gift \$4.00, and \$9.18 to the Clarenbach family to purchase fuel oil.

We plan to have an even better time at our Christmas Caroling party, so come to MYF each Sunday night for details. Babs Stewart and Tom Heisler will plan the December programs, so we know they will be good.

We are glad to have a new helper in our department, J. D. Stone, of F.S.U. We know he will be helpful to Mr. and Mrs. Way in helping to plan our work.—Diane Hale, reporter.

Trinity Methodist church sponsors active Boy and Girl Scout troops. If you have boys or girls of scouting age, call the Church office and make arrangements for them to join our outstanding troops.

"The Spirit of Giving"

This is the season of sharing in the Children's Division. At Thanksgiving and Christmas our children are led to meaningful experiences of worship through sharing. The little child must do this through specific experiences, so each child in the Kindergarten and Primary Department brought food to share.

The Kindergarten children had some 150 cans of food to share with the Clarenbach family of Monticello. This is the family which was displaced from Indonesia during the Revolution several years ago.

They have been living in Holland, and were brought to the U.S. through our Methodist Committee on Overseas' Relief. Our own youth have borne the expenses since they arrived in New York, and the family is now settled in Monticello.

This was the first opportunity the children have had to help the family. The Kindergarten teachers added their gift money to help the family.

Children and teachers in the Primary Department continued their annual custom of bringing food to share with several families of Leon county. The visiting teacher of the county turns to this department for help with families that she finds which need assistance.

Dec. Workers' Conference Making Plans for Christmas

The Primary, Junior and Youth groups, are making final plans for the observance of Christmas and making plans for the Church-Wide Mission study of January.

Three of the Primary and Junior workers, Mrs. Wesley Vordenberg, Mrs. D. L. Hood, and Mrs. James Bailey with our DCE attended the District Missionary Institute, which was held November 14 at Tallahassee Heights, in preparation for the school of missions.

Plan to attend the city-wide Christmas Eve services at 11 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, at the First Presbyterian Church.

Intermediate MYF Enjoys Barn Dance at Stead Farm

Last Friday night, Nov. 20, the Intermediate MYF had a Barn Dance at the Stead's barn, 10 miles out on the Jacksonville Highway, from 7:30 till 10:30.

We met at the church around 7:00, where cars took us to the Steads. We danced to popular music, and also tried to do some square dances. The square dances were led by Miss Cannon. When the popcorn finally popped, refreshments were served. We also had cocoa and doughnuts. The chaperones were Miss Cannon, Mrs. Sanchez and her sister, Sandra Gaddy. We think everyone had a lot of fun.—Dee Tagert, reporter.

Senior MYF Finds Uses for Money Raised at Supper

The Senior MYF Council plans to use the money made from their Spaghetti supper for some very good causes: MYFund; to buy fuel oil for the Clarenbach family; to provide Christmas for one of the Clarenbach children (each church in the MYF Sub-District has been given the name of one member of the family to be responsible for); and to buy material for a new curtain for the worship center in the MYF room.

Christmas for Milk Family

Each year the Church School provides the Christmas gifts for the Richard Milk Family, our missionaires serving in Cuba. The gifts will be brought to Workers' Conference on December 2, gift-wrapped, so we can get them to Cuba in time for Christmas. The limit on the gift is \$10.00.

The following groups will provide the gifts:

Men's Wesley Brotherhood—Mr. Richard Milk

Felkel-Steinmeyer Class — Mrs. Richard Milk

Business Women's Class—Richard Lee, 16 years of age

Wesley Fellowship—Robert—14 Gleaners' Class—Margaret Ann—5 Intermediate Department — Carol Jean, 12 (both 7th and 8th and 9th)

Junior Department—Martha Elizabeth, 10

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Christmas at Trinity

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Events Scheduled for Trinity

Sunday, December 6:

8:45 and 11:00 A.M. Worship Services

Holy Communion

7:30 P.M.

Congregational Carol Sing

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Christmas Vespers. A Candlelight Service presented by the Children and Youth Choirs, assisted by the

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Thursday, December 24:

11:00 P.M.

Christmas Eve Service.

First Presbyterian Church

December 25. . . . A Blessed Christmas to One and All!

"Come Thou, dear Prince,

Oh, come to us this holy Christmas time! . . . "

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