

# The First Christian Church

Third at "B" Streets Yakima, Washington

### SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday Church School	9:30 A. M.
Morning Worship and Communion	10:45 A. M.
Christian Youth Fellowship	6:00 P. M.
Evening Worship	7:00 P. M.

(The hour and the character of the evening service varies with the season)

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# DR. ORVAL D. PETERSON

#### MINISTER

Rev. Warren H. Knape, Assistant Minister
Rev. Carl L. Cobb, Minister to Youth

James Harvey, Choir Director Earl Rae, Organist
ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:45 A.M., OCT. 30, 1955

Organ O Thou, Whose Vast Temple Stands (Scottish)

\*Opening Hymn No. 379 Love Divine (Stanzas 1-2-4)

Call to Worship: "Faith means trust. Trust is the
act, in which a man may rely upon the faithfulness
of Another, that His promise holds and that what
He demands He demands of necessity. 'I believe'
means 'I trust.' I believe not in myself; I believe in God."

Gloria Patri Invocation Choral Response
Recognition of Little Children and Parents
\*Hymn No. 428 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (all)
Offertory Sentence Offertory Prayer
\*Organ All Beautiful the Season Changes (English)
Anthem Praise Ye The Father Chas. Gounod
Choralaire Choir

Scripture Confession Hymn of Faith Elder's Prayer
THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn No. 390 More Love to Thee (Stanzas 1-2-4)
Sermon THE TRUE AIM OF A CHRISTIAN Minister
The Invitation - No. 358 The Son of God Goes Forth
(To unite with the church come forward during hymn)
Announcements Benediction - Choral Response

## CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP - 5:30

Film "In the Face of Jeopardy" In Color Miss Goldie Ruth Wells will lead the discussion EVENING HOUR - 7:00

"Does the Fourth 'R' Have a Place in Your Family?"
The Invitation - No. 367 Benediction-Organ Response
\* Waiting worshipers may be seated

TODAY IS REFORMATION SUNDAY. Protestant churches everywhere should take stock of their heritage. First Church is fully aware of that which it has received from its spiritual forefathers. We are not only heirs of the Reformation but we are a part of a further spiritual effort called the Restoration Movement which has as its plans the restoration of the unity and practices of the New Testament Church.

THE CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP will be guests of the Christian Women's Fellowship this Wednesday evening, in Fellowship Hall, 7:30. Mr. Clifford C. Relander, City Editor of the Yakima Republic, will speak on "And They Called Them Heathens," pointing out the culture of the Indians.

IF YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN your offering today, there is a special envelope in the pew pockets placed there by your Stewardship Department.

"IS OUR CHURCH A TEACHING CHURCH?" This will be the theme of our Church Night dinner program, Wednesday evening, Nov. 9, at 6:30. It will be presented by a panel consisting of Miss Mary Elliott, Rev. Warren Knape, Mr. Irvin Lisle, and Mr. Karl Steinhilb. Get your tickets today from the church office or your Sunday School class or department.

HALF OF THE WORLD'S PEOPLE have never known a full stomach; millions go to bed hungry each night. Realizing this the C. Y. F. is sponsoring a sacrificial banquet for the youth department, Wed. evening, Nov. 2, 6 o'clock. No food will be served, but the offering-ticket will help the hungry of the world. The theme is "No Hands But Our Hands" and Miss Goldie Ruth Wells, of Africa, will be the speaker.

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY will be observed by the Yakima Council of Church Women with a 6 p.m. dinner on Nov. 4, in the First Congregational Church. Reservations (\$1.25) may be phoned to Mrs. Wm. Walker, 26872, or the church office. Excellent program.

#### OUR CHURCH

Prior to the year 1880, when the land now covered by the City of Yakima was sagebrush plains, public meetings, including church services, were held in the upper story of a building on the main street of Yakima City, now Union Gap. There in October, 1880, Purdy J. Flint and his family and others organized the church with twelve members. A building was constructed in 1882. It was the first and only church in Yakima City. The present sanctuary was constructed in 1908. The educational building was erected in 1927.

This church is a congregation of the religious body known as the Disciples of Christ. We are a part of a movement which began early in the nineteenth century under the leadership of Thomas and Alexander Campbell, Barton W. Stone, Walter Scott and others who were troubled about the divided condition of the Protestant Church in their day. They believed that conversion is a voluntary turning of mind and heart, through faith, repentance, confession and baptism, to the way of Christ, and that the hope of uniting the Church was in the abandonment of all written creeds and a return to the New Testament. We have no official creed or theology except the confession, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." (Matthew 16:16).

There are two ordinances. The first is baptism, (Acts 2:38). We practice immersion as a symbol of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, (Romans 6:4-5). This form is clearly taught in the New Testament. The second ordinance is the Lord's Supper, (I Cor. 11:23-26). The service of Communion is observed weekly as a memorial and as a continuing fellowship in accordance with the practice of the New Testament.

# HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

According to the New Testament, the primary steps in becoming a Christian are faith, repentance, confession and baptism. Membership in the church is accomplished in either one of the following three ways:

- 1. By confession of faith.

  "Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God, and do you accept Him as your personal Saviour?"
- 2. By transfer of membership.

  This may be done through a letter from another church or by the simple statement of membership elsewhere.
- By reconsecration.
   In the case of an individual who was once in the church but drifted away.

Any person desiring to unite with the church is invited to come forward on the singing of the invitation hymn which is the final hymn in any regular worship service. If you have been a member of another church of like faith and practice, the minister will receive you by letter of by personal statement and extend the hand of fellowship. If you have not been a church member, or have not been immersed, he will receive your confession or reaffirmation of faith and make arrangements for your baptism. The doors of the church are open to any one of sincere purpose seeking to obey the teachings of Christ and to live the Christian life.

Whosoever you are that worship here, of whatever faith you were born or whatever creed you now profess, if you come to this sanctuary in quest of God, seeking to dedicate yourself to Him and find His purpose for your life, you are welcome. We trust that you will not leave this place without a prayer for yourself and friends, for those who minister and all who worship here.