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## Maranatha football falls to Crean Lutheran

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PASADENA >> Zach Macadam's three-touchdown night and visiting Crean Lutheran's stout defense led the way for the Saints, who defeated Maranatha 28-3 in a nonleague game on Friday night.

Macadam helped Crean Lutheran (7-2, 0-1) strike first, when his 12-yard run set up his 1-yard touchdown. The Saints scored two more times, once on a fourth-down, 23-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Gavin Folsom to Patrick Mc Nerney and one on a 33-yard arrow route to Macadam. Macadam scored again on a 1-yard run midway through the third quarter for his third touchdown.

"We knew they were going to try and stack the box and stop the run but we made some big plays in the passing game," Crean Lutheran coach Matt Bowman said. "We just knew that we had to come out and be more physical than they were. I think that our tempo hurt them, we knew they were missing some player so we thought that our depth could expose that."

Crean Lutheran's physicality and depth wore out Maranatha's offense and made it difficult for the Minutemen to get any rhythm going.

"We had a couple good drives going in the second half and that's what I love about these kids," Maranatha coach Steve Bogan said. "They drove it down and didn't score but they drove down again and I was proud of that."

Maranatha went three-and-out on its first six possessions but managed a field goal going into halftime. But in the second half, the Minutemen (3-5-1, 1-2) couldn't find any magic on offense, mostly because Crean Lutheran's defensive line was constantly causing havoc on Maranatha quarterback Kwon Peterson.

"We have mostly a very young offensive line and they just caused disruption, they came from the edges, too," Bogan said. "It wasn't like (Peterson) was throwing a bad ball. When he can't get into a rhythm because we're moving the pocket, you're limited. You can't move the pocket all the time and when we did there was pressure constantly."

Peterson completed 12 of his 24 pass attempts for 90 yards. Folsom hit receivers on 14 of 19 attempts for 130 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

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