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"The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers; let Him not leave us, nor forsake us." 1 KINGS 8:57

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## THE INIQUITY OF MY SIN

Why does the Psalmist call the Word "sweeter than honey and the honeycomb," while many others regard it a tasteless thing? Why does St. Paul boast of the Gospel: It is the power of God unto salvation, and yet he must experience: we preach Christ Crucified, a stumbling-block to the Jews and foolishness to the Greeks? Why does the social gospel find so many supporters — community funds, etc. — but the Word of Forgiveness must go begging? The answer may be found in the seventh chapter of St. Luke. This record shows our Savior as a guest in the house of a Pharisee, Simon by name. It was, no doubt, a testimonial dinner for the Pharisees. And Jesus was invited to hear them sing their praises. One uninvited guest is also present. "And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a *sinner*, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment. And stood at his feet behind Him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, "This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner. And Jesus answering said unto him, "Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee." And he saith, "Master, say on." "There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most." And He said unto him, "Thou hast rightly judged." And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, "Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears and wiped them with the hairs of her head. Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet. My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are for-

given; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven the same loveth little." Luke 7:37-47.

There is little or no love and appreciation for Christ and His Gospel in the closed circle of self-righteous Pharisees. — This Gospel is for sinners, and only sinners appreciate it. In it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith. Whoever trusts in a righteousness of works will disregard the Gospel. To heed the invitation: "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," we must know and feel the heavy burden and guilt of our sin. The whole need not a physician. Thus many men "pass the cross unheeding breathing no repentant vow." We can explain this ignorance of sin and guilt among men. Our youth for the most is reared in an atmosphere devoid of God's holy Law. Many children do not know the Law as "a school-master unto Christ." They have not been driven into the arms of the Savior through the knowledge that they have sinned and gone astray. The ideal boy and girl today is the "scout" who receives a special merit for his daily "good turn." The result of this training is not a *little*, but a *young* Pharisee. — And when he is old, he will not depart from it.

### Fools Mock at Sin. Prov. 14:9

Read the Thirty-second Psalm and especially these words: "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile. I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin."

You will note how the Psalm "runs over in synonyms for sins and its forgiveness." This is not feeble tautology. This is not a weakness of the Psalm, but its strength. The various designations for sin help us to know and to lament our sin. Sin is called "transgression." Every sin is a transgression, a rebellion against God. You keep a commandment. Do you expect praise? — "When ye shall have done all those things which are

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commanded say: We are unprofitable servants; we have done that which was our *duty* to do." — Luke 17, 10. In keeping the commandments we merely do our duty. What then is sin, but a rebellion against God!

Again, the Psalm calls transgression, "sin." That is to say, we have missed the mark. "Your sins have separated between you and your God." And man, who was made a little lower than angels is filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them. — Romans 1:29-32. How we have missed the mark! What shame and condemnation we have heaped upon ourselves by sinning!

But we will dwell upon "the iniquity of my sin." The iniquity of my sin is the wrong, the crookedness of it. Do we realize how sin has distorted us? — The Lord has said: I am the Lord thy God, thou shalt have no other gods before me. The background to these words is Israel's deliverance out of Egypt. I am the Lord thy God which have brought thee out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. This helps us to understand the meaning of the designation, "The Lord thy God." — The word of the Lord came to Pharaoh: Thus saith the Lord God of Israel: Let my people go. But Pharaoh dared to challenge and mock God: Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice? — God showed him.

He answered with the plagues, with death and destruction in the Red Sea. Be not deceived, God is not mocked... *He is the Lord.* But the fearful judgment of God that destroyed Pharaoh saved His people. The Lord told Israel I am *thy God.* How much evidence Israel had of this! — We have experienced the truth, "I am the Lord thy God," in even greater measure. But this will lead us to see the iniquity of our sin. Is there a

greater folly than to challenge the Lord and to sin against Him? Have we forgotten: It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God? — And how wrong, how distorted we are to requite good with evil! How wrong it is to sin against *thy God!* In this connection all of us should read Luther's explanation of the first commandment in his Large Catechism. Luther reminds us that God is our highest Good, and that His first commandment tells us: see to it that you let me alone be your God, and never seek another. Whatever you lack of good things, expect it of Me, and look to Me for it, and whenever you suffer misfortune and distress, creep and cling to me. I, yes, I, will give you enough and help you out of every need. — This is thy God. How *wrong*, how base, how *wicked* we are to sin against our God!

Let us hear the first commandment with promise: thou shalt honor thy father and thy mother, that it may be well with thee and thou mayest live long on the earth. Parents and superiors are God's representatives. They are placed over children for their good. A child that obeys his parents is well off. No one will deny this. Yet the child disobeys his parents and grieves them. What folly! How wrong! — This is the iniquity of our sin. We see it in children, do we see it in our sins? — Fools mock at sin, the folly, the rebellion, the shame and condemnation of sin. — I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And to know the iniquity of our sin means to know that the *righteous* wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all unrighteousness and ungodliness of men. To know the iniquity of our sin means to understand the scourging, the shameful humiliation, the death, and the condemnation which Christ endured. It was for the iniquity of our sin. To know the iniquity of our sin means to appreciate the forgiveness of sins. "Blessed is he whose transgressions is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity. — I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin." V.

## Grow In Knowledge THE DIVINE CALL

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Since the fall of Adam and Eve sin fastened its deadly grip upon man and his environment, entering into every phase of human life. The carnal mind is now at enmity with God. However to the lost, the gracious will of God came, a Savior was promised, and peace and good-will through His Word was offered to immortal souls.

### God Used Mortals to Proclaim His Love

It pleased the infinite wisdom of God to reveal His

plan of salvation to Adam, to the patriarchs, and to the holy prophets of the Old Testament and to the evangelists of the New Testament, but especially through His beloved Son our Lord. So usually saints proclaimed the saving Word of life to others. Old Testament Israel as a whole rejected God's love, yet a rest was spared. In the fullness of time Christ came, suffered, arose and sent out His followers to make disciples of all nations. Into the old root new branches were grafted. Rom. 11:16f.

Yes, wherever the seed of God's Word is sown some fruit will surely be brought forth. There the Church is and the spiritual priesthood of believers is established.

So in the world at large, Christians may admonish and instruct others, bearing testimony for their Lord and for His eternal kingdom. However this spiritual priesthood becomes limited within a congregation because all have the same duty. From the Bible we see that when the early church increased and public servants besides the apostles were needed, that the Church chose men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom. To all true disciples the Lord's command to preach is indeed imperative, but the same ministry of the Word becomes the special duty of public witness-bearers, when these are called to serve for the saints. 2 Tim. 2:2. In truth all professing Christians in a parish call a pastor, although in practice representatives perform the actual duty of calling.

Now those who are thus called to serve publicly are described by various terms: ministers of Christ, stewards of the mysteries of God, overseers, shepherds, watchman, teachers, ambassadors, laborers together with God and by many other names.

The prime duty of these servants of God is to "Preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." The scope of their labors extends to every soul under their respective charge. Not only may Christians call a pastor to serve, but they may call teachers, a deaconess or even others to care for the precious souls in a parish. And so too a group (a synod) of congregations, all preaching the Word and using the keys, may call for their joint service teachers for our institutions and pastors and teachers for the mission fields.

#### The Divine Call is Sacred

The call is from God although extended through the agency of men. It is good in the sight of God because it aims to bring temporal and eternal good to fallen man and to glorify the Lord.

Therefore it is a shameful misuse to degrade the call to the level of a mere human business contract.

And only he is to perform the duties of the public ministry who has a valid call which came in the proper manner from a Christian congregation or group. So the congregation about to call someone to its pastorate should put all selfish, carnal, worldly thoughts aside and in humble prayer beg the Chief Shepherd to guide their souls in calling. In the same reverent spirit then the pastor receiving a call shall prayerfully consider it with those in whose midst God has given him the duty to labor and to whom he is bound by mutual love.

What a degeneration it is of the divine call, when enthusiasts want to hear trial sermons, put all their efforts to get a pastor who is handsome, eloquent, broadminded, outstanding, who is a good mixer, organizer, entertainer in short who has all the showy external qualifications that

worldlings clamor for. Human organizations, pomp, amusements, feature services, gowns, learned lectures on secular subjects can never win or hold a single soul for Christ. Like all externals these things are of the world, for time, but have no eternal spiritual life-giving power. They appeal to the carnal heart and senses, but only dissipate the labors of a faithful winner of souls, may even mislead blood-bought Christians, and are apt to make the world feel that God's children do not trust or rely on their "one thing needful." Externals at times may win names for a list, but they too often obscure the true spiritual interests and aims of the church.

#### There are God-given Qualifications

The Lord of the Church tells us that hands shall not hastily be laid on any man. No novice shall serve publicly. But he who is to serve as a fisher of men shall be one whose heart is filled with the love to Christ. Like Peter and John said: "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." As another prime requisite of a steward, faithfulness is demanded in a life service, in the pastor's allotted time, in the use of his physical, intellectual and spiritual gifts for the building of the Lord's kingdom. And a very necessary requirement of public servants is the ability to teach. Besides, the Lord wills that his shepherds be blameless, have a good reputation, lest the cause of the Lord suffer. In the pastoral epistles to Timothy and Titus there are a great many other qualifications enumerated. And every pastor reading these must feel constrained to beg of the Lord for strength, tact, boldness to serve and endurance to bear afflictions.

With great sadness we read how in many so-called Christian churches God's qualifications for His servants are disregarded. Congregations tolerate pastors who draw crowds by magic, by concertina playing after which fruit punch and doughnuts are served, by cheap and noisy eloquence and by striking advertising of catchy sermon themes.

Ostentatious forms, pulpit noise and show, make fine newspaper copy, attract the novelty-loving masses, but do not bring joy to heaven. Only the soul-saving power of the gospel can do that.

#### Let Us All Highly Esteem the Ministry of the Word

The Lord indeed has given His gifts unto men for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. Eph. 4:8ff. And these gifts differ but are all to be appreciated even if some make less show before the eyes of mortals than others. 1 Cor. 12:4ff. St. Paul earnestly pleads with the Thessalonian Christians, "We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you are over you in the Lord, and admonish you, and esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake."

However, the spirit of this world often creeps into congregations and deceives both pastors and members.

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The guide of God's Word is put aside, and some commercial, worldly, standard is applied to measure service or to gauge the desirability of this or that pastor or teacher for one or the other parish. Oh, let us read and meditate time and time again on the words of St. Paul to the Corinthians. 1 Cor. 3:3ff. We, like those servants of the Lord, are to plant and to water, but "God gives the increase." Woe be to those who neglect or interfere with the planting of the Word. Indeed the relationship of pastor and congregation is a sacred one. We live in the last time. Everyone of us shall beg for courage to serve the Lord's cause. The Savior's words shall cheer and make us bold. HE says, "He that heareth you heareth me." Worldlings discredit the ministry of the Word, but to Christians it is being about the heavenly Father's business. Indeed the proclamation of the Word in the quiet of the home, at the sick bed, in school or in church or wherever proclaimed is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Rom. 1:16. Or at times, the preaching of the same gospel may bring a judgment, the hardening of the hearts, to those who in unthankfulness refuse to hear and keep this message of God's love to sinners, whether it is taught in public or testified of in the private home. We mortals, yes we Christians, are often blinded by false notions of success, and we always cry for results. However success in the Lord's kingdom is not dependent on man's ability and enthusiasm. Indeed we shall with all diligence sow and water the Seed, God in His own good time will grant fruits.

In our time of spiritual indifference, rationalism, materialism, externalization of church life in all its forms, we shall cling to essentials. We need more Christians upon their knees in prayer, sincerely begging God that His word "may have free course"; we need more family altars in the homes of our congregations; we need more schools and missions where the divine Word may create new

hearts; and we need more Bible reading to give our own souls individually more trust, contentment, willingness to serve the Lord as private or public stewards, and strength to overcome the Old Adam within us.

Christ is still the fruitbearing Vine without whom no creatures can do nothing. The resurrected Lord still adds to the Church invisible daily such as should be saved. God's Word always is finally victorious. In spite of the sins of mortals, God's gracious plan of salvation is fulfilled to His glory and to the eternal blessing of His elect.

In humility all witness bearers of the Savior shall follow in the footsteps of the Master, accepting their innumerable opportunities to serve, bearing the cross of world hatred, and overcoming their own vain ambitions and conceits.

Then the gracious Lord, who called the laborers in His vineyard, will also relieve them in due season of their charges and give them a reward by grace.

St. Peter (I, 5:3) after admonishing the elders not to be lords over God's heritage, but examples to the flock, promises "when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away."

And Jesus said: "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing." Luke 12:42f.

But while we Christians still remain here on earth, may our souls sing:

Wisdom's highest, noblest treasure,  
Jesus, lies concealed in Thee;  
Grant that this may still the measure  
Of my will and actions be.  
Humility there, and simplicity, reigning,  
My steps shall in wisdom forever be training,  
Oh! if I of Christ have this knowledge divine,  
The fulness of heavenly wisdom is mine.

## Comments

**Peace Sermons** There will be many of them preached from the pulpits in America these days and in the months to come. Many churches will feel that it is their duty to keep the ship of state on even keel and formulate the opinion of their people in regard

to war and peace. They believe they are the watchdogs of the state and nation. As a result of this *misconception* they will drag the issues of the day into their pulpits. Already many large church bodies have adopted resolutions and sent them to their congressmen or to the presi-

dent of the United States imploring them not to lift the "embargo" on munitions. However certain it is that every citizen of our country is free to do in this matter as he wishes, it is just as true that the church *as a body* must not interfere with affairs that are purely a matter of the state. If we err here in our conception of the function of the state we will also drag things into the pulpit that do not belong there, especially, in this critical time, we will be preaching peace sermons or war sermons according to our individual inclinations and fill the air with war-talk from our pulpits.

This will not be the case in our churches, thanks to Martin Luther, who found in the Scriptures the correct Christian attitude toward the state. On this clear Scriptural principle the Lutheran church still stands. She obeys the government and does not interfere with its functions. This assures us that there will be no war-talk from our pulpits.

Yet we will preach "peace sermons"; preach them as never before; preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that "He is our peace." Every sermon will deal with the old, old story of *sin* and *grace* — "that God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself; not imputing their trespasses unto them." That is the story we will not neglect; that is the only balm for hearts that will be sorely tried, especially if we should enter the war, which God may graciously prevent. That peace which Christ gives us by His Word is a peace this world cannot give, whether at peace or at war; it is a peace that passeth all understanding. So let us preach this *peace*, or rather, continue to preach this peace in season and out of season.

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**Mixed Marriages** One of the larger Lutheran bodies has made a very exhaustive investigation and survey of mixed marriages in its constituent congregation and the results are very alarming. The study was conducted with a view to determine how marriages of Lutherans to non-Lutherans are related to continued active membership in the Lutheran church. The greatest number of mixed marriages were found to be Lutheran-Catholic, followed by Lutherans to Unbelievers and Lutherans to Methodists. This investigation revealed that in most cases less than one-third of the once Lutheran parties retained their connection with the Lutheran church, in fact, they quit church entirely.

Here is the interesting summary:

|                              | In active<br>Membership with<br>Lutheran Church<br>% | Not affiliated<br>with<br>any church<br>% | Total<br>Marriage |
|------------------------------|--|---|-------------------|
| Lutheran-Catholic .....      | 31.9   | 68.1                                      | 806               |
| Lutheran-Methodist .....     | 24.7   | 75.3                                      | 519               |
| Lutheran-Baptist .....       | 29.9   | 71.1                                      | 304               |
| Lutheran-Presbyterian .....  | 30.7   | 69.3                                      | 300               |
| Lutheran-Episcopalian .....  | 27.1   | 72.9                                      | 207               |
| Lutheran-Congregational .... | 16.9   | 83.1                                      | 59                |
| Lutheran-Evangelical .....   | 34.7   | 65.3                                      | 46                |

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|----------------------------|------|------|-----|
| Lutheran-Sects .....       | 37.3 | 62.7 | 292 |
| Lutheran-Unbelievers ..... | 37.5 | 62.5 | 568 |

The result of the investigation in this respective Lutheran body may or may not be an adequate gauge for other Lutheran bodies but it certainly ought to open our eyes as to the great danger in mixed marriages of losing our young people either to other churches or having them renounce religion entirely.

What are we going to do to stem this tide? What ought we to do? Paul's charge to Timothy, 2 Timothy 4: 2, shows us the way: "I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; *Preach the word*: be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine." Every sincere minister will do this. He will call the attention of our young people to dangers attending mixed marriages; he will remind them that mixed marriages were strictly forbidden by God in the times of the Old Testament and that this fact ought to open our eyes to the dangers of such marriages and the Lord's will in the matter; he will remind them of the many difficult problems that may result etc. More than this we can not do. But all this we should do with all long-suffering and patience. That word that we speak to them, like every other Word of God, will bear fruit according to God's good pleasure.

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**What Are We Working For** — Working for the **A Big Organization, or the Communion of Saints** increase of a congregation, we must do so intelligently

or the word may apply, "They have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge." Are we aiming to build a big organization, or will we gather only who truly believe in Jesus Christ? Shall we take our directions from human reasoning, or shall Christ rule, even if the result is not big numbers but a "little flock?"

Jesus gives the answer in Matthew 7. In verse 13 He says there is a wide gate and the broad way where "many" seek salvation, the majority; but it is the devil's way, the way of the unrepentant sinner, and it leadeth to destruction. Verse 15: this kind of church work is done by the false prophets, popular with the unregenerate masses; but they are guilty of the blood of all those souls whom they have strengthened in their sin. To a true believer Jesus' warning is sufficient.

Jesus says there is one other gate and one other way, straight and narrow, difficult to find and to tread; it is not popular, "few there be that find it." The gate is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ the Crucified, Gal. 6: 14; the way is faith and obedience to Him. It is not popular, but Jesus is there, only there, leading to a blessed end.

Knowing the Gospel, we should be foolish to make the church a set of worldly-minded people, Romans 12: 2; we rather plan to have members who have entered in at

the strait gate; the results in numbers may be poor, as in the case of Elijah and Jesus Himself when He died; but He sent us to call sinners to repentance. He says, "No

man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Lord, give us such ministers, and more of them!  
— F. Soll.

## From Our Missions

### RECENT HURDLES IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

It is true the Pacific Northwest is building the largest dam in the world, it has the finest stand of timber in the country, it has more potential hydroelectric power than any other section of the Union, its scenery is unexcelled, and its climate is unsurpassed.

But as far as the Wisconsin Synod is concerned it has very little to boast of. It has no schools, no colleges, no institutions of mercy. All it has is a few widely scattered congregations and mission stations. But these have the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our Lord, and His Holy Sacraments pure and unadulterated. Because of this it has faith that overcomes obstacles in its path of development.

In the little mining town of Roslyn, Washington, on the western slope of the Cascades the Word of God has been administered off and on for many years. In 1938 a group of believers got together and organized a congregation, pooled their financial resources, and bought an abandoned Mormon chapel. Not enough, they renovated it inside and out, and furnished it with church furniture. At the dedication last November all bills were paid. Now weekly preaching and teaching is taking place.

In the cutover timber land of Western Washington is a little town called Rainier, not to be confused with Rainier, Oregon. In 1935 the undersigned took over an old abandoned Lutheran Church there. A mere handful of the original congregation remained. They owned an old public school building that had roughly been converted into a chapel and a small cemetery. After some months a resident missionary was placed there. First, the church building was thoroughly renovated by voluntary labor, then the combination parish hall and parsonage was built, and in 1939 a chancel and sacristy were added to the church to make room for the increasing number of worshippers. Now there is a very presentable property there. The congregation has grown and the preaching of the Word and administration of the Sacraments has put new life into the community. To show the gratitude for what the Synod has done the congregation raised \$117.00 for missions at its last Mission Festival.

On the western slope of the Cascades is a little lumber town called Snoqualmie. Interest was aroused in it by a demand for Lutheran services three years ago. For

over a year these people were served by pastors from Tacoma 66 miles away. Services were held in a room of the lumber company's club house on Sunday afternoons. Very little progress was noted until a missionary was called to take up his work there exclusively. After two months activity on the part of the new missionary a congregation was organized. A part of these charter members are new arrivals from the dustbowl of the Middle West. The congregation is still worshipping in the club house. As this is proving unsatisfactory more and more, this small group recently purchased 1½ acres of land in a very desirably location for future building developments. Snoqualmie is a strategic point. Ours is the only Lutheran work in the Snoqualmie Valley, a distance of forty miles.

Down in Gresham, Oregon, one of our newest missions had the courage to buy lots in 1938 and in 1939 began building a much needed place of worship. All volunteer labor.

Coming back to Washington, Faith Church, Tacoma, is worshipping in an old abandoned sectarian church building which was purchased some years ago for \$500.00. This summer the underpinning threatened to give way. The congregation promptly raised the building, and while they were at it improving the premises, they grasped the opportunity to make a much needed fill on the lot without cost. A convenient narthex was arranged in the tower space and the social room finished inside making it fit for use. In spite of this extra expenditure the congregation enjoys the reputation of the highest financial rating in the district.

An altar has been raised here and there in the Pacific Northwest and the Name of the Lord has been preached. Many a hurdle stands in the way. But the Pacific Northwest missions have overcome them in their stride. What is it that makes them willing to shoulder the extra labor and expense? You know and I know, a living faith that is the fruit of preaching the Gospel by our missionaries who are largely subsidised by the Wisconsin Synod.

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### NEGRO MISSION

In the interest of our Negro Mission (Synodical Conference) in the United States we bring these reports of two conferences held recently in the field. Perhaps these reports

will be found wanting by some readers who desire information on the work in the mission fields. Yet these conference reports reveal the spirit of the brethren who labor

among the Negroes in our country and they should therefore be an encouragement to us to continue our support of our Negro missions and the brethren in this work. — Ed.

### Alabama Luther Conference

The 1939 Alabama Luther Conference convened in the city of Birmingham from August 17 to 20, as guests of Pilgrim Congregation.

The opening address was delivered by the Superintendent of the Alabama Field, the Rev. E. A. Westcott, using as his theme the words, "Beloved, let us love one another." The afternoon session was partly spent in the reading and discussion of the paper, "Why Not Try Tithing?", presented by the Rev. Wm. Kennell. The night session was devoted to worshipping with the local congregation, at which time the Rev. R. Neely spoke on "The Bible Way of Salvation" using as his text Ephesians 2:8, 9. This was followed by a paper presented by the Rev. G. Roberts, entitled, "The Passion for Souls."

The Friday morning session was devoted to the work and problems of our teachers. By means of a most practical sermon based on Proverbs 22:6, the Rev. A. Dominick stressed the urgent importance of training a child in a Christian manner so that he will not depart from the faith when it is old. This was followed by a catechization led by Miss Carrie Hill on "The Holy Christian Church" covering questions 340 to 345 of the Drewes' Catechism. The afternoon session also was devoted to the work of teachers. Miss G. McBryde read a paper on "How to Conduct the Spelling Periods" followed by practical demonstration. Another worthwhile paper was read by Miss Julia W. Peay on "How May We Produce Better Penmen in Our Schools?" Informed discussions were held on the subjects, "Making the Church Grounds the Garden Spot of the Community" and "Raising the Health Standard Among Our People."

The night session was devoted to worshipping with the local congregation at which time the Rev. Theo. Johnson delivered a sermon on "Honoring the Lord's Last Testament" followed by a paper by the Rev. P. Hunt on "The Power of Personal Prayer."

The Saturday morning session of the Conference was devoted to the Sunday-School Convention. The opening address was delivered by Prof. W. Steward, speaking on "The Seriousness of Your Work." A paper on "The Importance of Regular Catechism Recitation" was delivered by the Rev. J. Lavalais. This was followed by a paper by the Rev. H. Grigsby on "The Sunday-school Superintendent." An informal discussion was held on "Who is Mission Material for a Lutheran Sunday-school?" At this session the Rev. L. A. Wisler, Executive Secretary of the Missionary Board delivered some remarks on our work in Africa. The words were both timely and interesting. The results are encouraging and the opportunities seem limitless. Notice was taken of the spontaneous response to our Gospel preaching in Nigeria, and the hearty cooperation on the part of the

Nigerian people themselves in supporting the work in their midst.

The Sunday-school Convention was continued in the afternoon session. The Sunday-school offering for Nigeria was gathered. The goal had been set at \$250, but the actual offering amounted to \$289.60. Next year's goal has been set at \$300. May God continue to open the hearts of our people for the important work of African missions. The night session was devoted to an illustrated lecture on "Twenty Centuries of Christian Missions."

Following Sunday school the next day, the Conference met with Pilgrim Congregation to listen to a sermon preached by the Rev. I. Holness who chose as his text John 21:17, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me?" The afternoon session was devoted to worship and all were privileged to hear a very practical sermon by the Rev. L. Means on "Educating Our Children in a God-pleasing Manner." His words based on Luke 2:40ff. The night session was brought to a fitting close with a sermon by the Rev. L. A. Wisler on "The Unbounded Grace of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" based upon 2 Cor. 8:9.

The 1940 Conference, God willing, will be held at Vineland, Alabama. The splendid cooperation on the part of Pilgrim Congregation and the willingness of the members of this congregation to do all things well made possible a profitable Conference in its midst.

Mobile, Alabama.

Wm. G. Kennell.

### Immanuel Lutheran Conference

For the first time in the history of its fifty-eight sessions Immanuel Conference was invited to convene north of Meherrin, Virginia. St. Philip's of Philadelphia was the first of the northernmost congregations able to find housing facilities for the pastor, professors, teachers and lay delegates of the Conference. Pastor Amt and his congregation are to be commended for their courage and excellent execution of plans. Attendance was the best the Conference has enjoyed for several years.

Each of the five sessions was opened by a fifteen devotional service conducted by the chaplain, Rev. Schiebel of Washington. His four devotional addresses were based on the first chapter of Joshua using the general theme: "I Will Be With Thee!" and the following topics: For Inspiration, For Exhortation, For Information, For Consecration.

Friday evening the service was devoted to *Christian Education*, and Pastor Hill of Yonkers, New York, spoke on "Wisdom" from Proverbs 4:7-9, presenting what true wisdom is, and its advantage. After the service Dr. H. Nau, president of Immanuel Lutheran College, very appropriately spoke of the work of our *College in Greensboro, North Carolina*.

Pastor Pledger delivered the confessional address Sunday morning on the basis of the "Words of Institu-

tion." After reviewing the essence of the Sacrament he showed the practical and spiritual need of regular participation. — 1 Chronicles 21:6-13 was the text chosen by Pastor Haysbert of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, as the basis for his sermon Sunday morning on the subject, "Arise and Build." Dr. Nau addressed the audience in the afternoon service on the subject "Occupy Till I Come." In his thorough and practical analytical exposition of the text he showed both what our task is and what our recompense may be.

A paper on "Church Decorum" was presented by Pastor Schlichting of Baltimore which was deemed worthy of publication in the *Missionary Lutheran* because it discussed so many practical problems. Pastor Thompson of Kanapolis, North Carolina, read his points for discussion on the subject "What Can be Done to Make Announcement for Communion Consistent and Efficient?" An essay on Article XII of the Augsburg Confession was delivered by Supt. Gehrke, and so agreeably practical was his presentation of the subject, "Repentance" that it also was recommended for publication.

Written reports were made by a number of missionaries on their respective fields, and some time was taken for the presentation and discussion of the field report of the superintendent. He suggested the combining of older and less productive parishes under one pastor and using the extra men thus saved for expansion in new fields. To avoid much confusion and misunderstanding it was recommended that a policy of frank openness be adopted.

The report of the committee on young people's work

was accepted thus creating a Young People's Board within the Conference. Annual Sunday-school conventions were also favorably discussed.

The new committee on Conference Welfare and Progress was approved and instructed to work together by correspondence throughout the year. Conference accepted the recommendation of this committee to renew interest in a Conference Church Extension Fund; also to begin sessions a half day earlier to allow more time for committee meetings and sectional conferences.

A special session was held Saturday night to complete the business of the conference.

Several of the Philadelphia pastors showed their interest in our work by attending some of the sessions and services, and made helpful remarks and suggestions. Especially acceptable were the contributions made by Rev. McLaughlin on doctrinal and exegetical questions. Brother McLaughlin, recently returned from China, who is now working without financial support among the Colored people in another part of Philadelphia, attended all the sessions and services.

Well organized and highly productive sectional conferences were held and questions submitted by the lay delegates to the conference aroused instructive discussion.

Election of officers resulted in a complete re-election of all members of the executive committee, Pastor Shufelt of High Point, North Carolina, retaining the chair, and Pastor Hart of Charlotte, North Carolina, the secretaryship. With appropriate remarks the Fifty-Eight Session of Immanuel Lutheran Conference was closed by President Shufelt on Sunday evening. Rev. W. Schiebel.

## From a Wider Field

To me free grace has been accorded,  
O Lord, though I deserved it not.  
My prideful heart it not regarded,  
This grace, surpassing human thought.  
Now I know this and joy is mine;  
My glory is Thy grace divine!

Thy wrath is what I ought inherit;  
Yet here I stand in grace with Thee;  
At one with Thee by Jesus' merit,  
His precious blood hath cleansed me.  
Whence cometh this? How was it done?  
By Thy free grace, O Lord, alone.

To Thee, my God, I must confess it;  
I praise it when men question me;  
No word but mercy can express it,  
Of that my heart must witness be.  
I humbly bow, for joy is mine:  
My glory is Thy grace divine.

No one can take this grace unbounded;  
Grace is my glory day by day.  
On grace alone my *faith* is grounded,

Upon this grace alone I *pray*;  
Upon this grace I all *endure*;  
On it in death my *hope* is sure.

This grace, my God, is Thy best treasure,  
Do Thou withhold it not from me;  
May it, in dying, be my pleasure,  
Lead me through Jesus' death to Thee.  
There shall unending joy be mine:  
My glory be Thy grace divine.

Let grace and mercy also reach me  
For all my brethren sorely tried;  
To love my foe, O Jesus, teach me,  
For Thou in love of such hast died.  
Thy blood for sinners intercedes;  
"Free grace, free grace for all!" it pleads.

"Mir ist Erbarmung widerfahren."

Tr. by W. G. Polack.

A **Fantastic Counterfeit** of Moslem faith was lately placarded in Los Angeles, that home of many cults. Announcement was made of the imminent yearly pilgrimage



of the Moslems of the "North American Kalifat." This pilgrimage was scheduled to be concluded at the local Civic Center during the "thirty days of the month of Muaram." Its purpose was to be highly educational, and the Moslem pilgrims were to remember "the teachings of America's first Karajite leader, Thomas Jefferson, loyal successor of George Washington, tried-and-true founder of the Republic." After the pilgrimage was ended, all Moslems were requested to circle the Federal Building seven times, and the square was afterward to be known to them as Jefferson Square. The following presumptuous advice to the faithful is, "Moslems who make the pilgrimage to Mecca should make the pilgrimage to Los Angeles also. Moslems who make the pilgrimage to Los Angeles should also make that to Mecca." The announcement bore the signature "Bismila," no doubt a crude and ignorant error for "Bismillah," the favorite devout ejaculation of the Moslems. But because there are those more ignorant and crude, such silly cults will always have followers who think they have found something wonderful.

—*The Lutheran.*

#### WHO WILL CARE FOR THE OLD?

An editorial in *Svenska Dagbladet* finds Sweden confronted with an increasingly difficult problem because of the decided rise in the average age level. "In twenty years' time there will be only three or four younger persons to care for each one of the aged. "In cities, only two. The editorial concludes:

"We have therefore come to the pass when we have an elaborate system of social security but lack the means to pay for it. Our generation has provided for itself at the expense of the coming generation, but has not seen to it that the coming generation should be strong enough to carry the burden. The theory which has been current with us as elsewhere, that a decrease in the number of children born would raise the standard of living for all, has been crushingly disproved. The exact opposite is the truth."

—*The Lutheran Companion.*

#### WALL STREET AND RELIGION

In the popular mind, Wall Street typifies everything hard-boiled and unsentimental. It comes with a pleasant shock of surprise, therefore, to read the following para-

graph in the chief organ of the stock market — money-above-all-else group, the *Wall Street Journal*:

"What America needs more than railway extension, western irrigation, a low tariff, a bigger cotton crop, or a larger wheat crop, is a revival of religion, the kind that father and mother used to have; a religion that counted it good business to take time for family worship each morning, right in the middle of the wheat harvest; a religion that prompted them to quit work a half hour earlier on Wednesday, so that the whole family could get ready to go to prayer meeting."

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TOO —

Chambers of Commerce also are considered bodies strictly devoted to business, and without sentimental delusions. Yet the New York Chamber, in a report issued by its Committee on Economical and Efficient Education asserts that the primary need of the State's educational system is a "deep, true religious understanding and viewpoint. . . . The State, in its necessity to produce able, well-developed citizens, must not hesitate to supply to the youngsters as much as possible of what is missing in their home and church influences. The committee is convinced that the great lack in our homes and in our national life is the lack of true, simple religion. . . . The United States cannot maintain a right system unless it is based on true religious principles; and therefore, in spite of the fact that some hesitate to include religion in our educational program, *we place it first.*"

An impressive statement, especially coming from such a body.

Also significant is the result of a survey of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce, showing that of its 110,000 members, 82 per cent are church members.

—*Christian Herald.*

#### CHRIST'S ANTICIPATION OF REST

"My flesh shall rest in hope," Christ declared in anticipation of His resurrection. The word "rest" in Acts 2:26 is rendered "Lodge," in referring to birds lodging in the tree (Matt. 13:32). The saint's hope is not only a lodging place for the time being; it is a blessed realization of an enjoyed rest in the future.

— Sel.

## From Our Churches

#### FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, September 17, St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church, St. Charles, Minn., celebrated the golden jubilee of its organization.

For this occasion the church was entirely redecorated in the interior by the Ladies' Aid society. Also the floor

was sanded and refinished. Altar and pulpit were replaced by the congregation two years ago. New light fixtures were donated by the young people.

Former pastors were the guest speakers, namely, Rev. H. Herwig, Wauwatosa, Wis., and Rev. K. Brickmann, Vesta, Minn.

St. Matthew's Congregation was organized March 5, 1889, with twenty-five charter members, of which seven are still living and six are present members. Preaching was begun here already in 1884 by Pastor O. Koch from Lewiston, Minn. The following pastors also served this congregation from Lewiston: A. Siegler 1884-1889; A. Behning, 1889; A. Froehlke, 1889-1897; and P. Gerhardt 1897-1902. Then from Trinity Church of Norton, northwest from Lewiston, Minn., came Pastor H. Herwig 1902-1908. Again from Lewiston Pastor E. Klaus, 1908-1910. Since 1910 St. Matthew's had its own pastors, namely: T. Schoewe, 1910-1918; Rev. Paul Froehlke, 1918-1920; Rev. K. Brickmann, 1920-1929; since 1929 the undersigned.

During the past fifty years seven treasurers, eight secretaries, and 31 deacons and trustees served as officers for the church.

In 1898 the present church was built and in 1913 the parsonage. Both are in fine condition today.

The following ministerial acts are recorded: baptisms: 367, confirmations: 96, burials: 125, communed: 7,730.

May the Lord preserve this congregation in the unity of true faith and love unto its eternal jubilee.

H. Kuckhahn.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

On the 27th day of August Mr. and Mrs. Henry Immel, members of St. Peter's Church in Fond du Lac, were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Their offering of praises included a gift of \$25.00 for the missions of our Synod.

G. E. Bergemann.

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September 24 Mr. and Mrs. John Palmbach of St. Paul Congregation, Appleton, Wis., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Undersigned delivered an address on Ps. 71:9.

T. J. Sauer.

## News From Our Seminary

### LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, THIENSVILLE, WIS.

On September 6 our institution opened its portals for a new school-year. Sixty-eight students followed the call and assembled with the faculty in the chapel for the opening service. Members of the board of control, pastors from the vicinity, friends and relatives of the students also attended the service.

Professor J. P. Meyer, the president of the faculty, gave his address on Is. 40:6-8. In eloquent words he set forth the two great fundamental truths of sin and grace to an attentive audience. Man takes pride in the success in material things which has crowned the efforts of the human race since the dawn of history. Man has made this world a better place to live in, especially in the course of the last century. He enjoys a comfort and luxury undreamed of by our forefathers of just a few generations ago. We freely admit the splendid achievements made in the realm of science, medicine, literature, art and statesmanship. But how vain, how utterly futile do all these human endeavors, these physical and mental undertakings, become when we are confronted with the great and inescapable realities of death and the judgment! Isaiah sums up everything man is and does when he says: "All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever." Yes, the Word of God alone can and does assure the sin-cursed world lying in the bondage of death and damnation of the ever-enduring grace of a

faithful God. A Grace by which He has saved us through the atoning blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and vouchsafes unto us forgiveness of sin, deliverance from death and the devil and life eternal. It is the chief object of all the studies and lectures at our seminary to make our students, as future pastors of our Lutheran Church, so thoroughly acquainted with these great truths and implant them into their hearts in such a manner that they apply them to their own selves first and then, at the completion of their theological course, are prepared also to proclaim them to their hearers.

The whole assembly took an active part in the service by the singing of a few of the priceless hymns of our Church.

Hardly two weeks after the close of the last school-year one member of our faculty, Professor A. F. Zich, departed this life. At the opening of this new scholastic year his memory was in all our minds. Especially we, his former colleagues and students, vividly felt his loss at this occasion, as the speaker mentioned in the introduction to his address. Our prayer is that the Lord may soon give us the right man to fill the gap left by his demise. Until the vacancy is filled his classes are divided among the other members of the faculty. Professor Brenner teaches Genesis exegesis, Professor Meyer takes care of the classes in homiletics and isagogics, and the undersigned combines the two upper classes in church history.

Twenty-four new students have registered for the new school year; twenty-three of them are enrolled in the Junior and one in the Middle class. These young men, willing and eager to dedicate their lives to the services in

the Lord's vineyard, are God's unmerited gift to our synod. Do we acknowledge that, and are we duly grateful for this blessing? If so, then we shall surely do everything in our power to remove the obstacles which prevent our candidates, although they are ready and willing to do so, from laboring in that great harvest field of which the Master says that it is "white already to harvest" (John 4:35). God give us open eyes to recognize the reasons for this deplorable condition and give us zeal to remove the burden of debt from our synod

which has stifled all efforts to go forward in the cause of missions!

We earnestly bespeak the prayers of the members of our synod for their theological seminary, that our synod in the future, as in the past, may have a ministry that is well grounded in the Scriptures and fearless and faithful in the performance of its duties as herald of the unspeakable mercies of God for a sin-lost world.

M. Lehninger.

## Obituary

### † PASTOR FREDERICK KOCH †

Pastor Frederick Koch was born in Mansbach, Province of Hessa, Germany, on March 28, of the year 1861. In Germany he also received his elementary education and was confirmed in the faith. At the age of twenty the departed migrated with his parents to the United States, the family settling at Two Rivers, Wis. Shortly after he enrolled in Northwestern College and completed his theological training at our seminary, then located in Milwaukee, from which institution he was graduated in 1888.

Pastor Koch served the congregation at Hadar, Neb., from 1888 to 1891. From 1891 to 1902 he ministered to the Randolph, Wis., congregation, and from 1902 until his retirement in 1928 to the congregation at Caledonia, Wis., thus rounding out forty years in the public ministry.

In the year 1888 Pastor Koch was united in holy wedlock with Miss Wilhelmina Damler (of Two Rivers. Four children were born from this union, Dr. Henry Koch, Mrs. Gustave Berg, Mrs. William Doring, and Miss Augusta. Beside these, Pastor Koch leaves a brother, Rev. H. W. Koch, a sister, Mrs. Albert Schmidt, and ten grandchildren. Mrs. Koch preceded her husband in death in September of 1938. Pastor Koch passed into eternity most peacefully on August 29, at the age of 78 years, 5 months, and 1 day.

Services were held at the First German Ev. Luth. Church in Manitowoc, of which he was a member, on September 2 with burial at the cemetery at Two Rivers, Pastors M. Sauer and L. Koeninger serving.

L. Koeninger.

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## FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE MISSOURI SYNOD DIES

### PASTOR FREDERICK PFOTENHAUER, D. D.

The Reverend Dr. Frederick Pfothenauer, former president of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and other States from 1911 to 1935, and honorary president since 1935, was born on April 22, 1859, at Altenelle, Hanover, Germany. He came to the United States in 1875 and was educated for the ministry at Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis, Missouri. After his graduation from the seminary and his ordination in 1880, he became in the same year a travelling missionary in Minnesota, the Dakotas and Montana, with his central station at Odessa, Minnesota. After this he held pastorates at Lewiston, Minnesota, from 1887 to 1894, and at Hamburg, Minnesota, from 1894 to 1911. He was elected and re-elected president of the Minnesota and Dakota district of Synod from 1891 to 1908, when he was elected vice president of Synod. He held this post until elected to the presidency

of Synod in 1911.

When Dr. Pfothenauer retired from the presidency in 1935, he became associate pastor of Holy Cross Church, Chicago, Illinois, where his son, the Reverend Martin Pfothenauer, is pastor.

After a lingering sickness, the Reverend Dr. Pfothenauer died in Chicago, on the 9th of October. He attained the age of 80 years, 5 months, and 17 days. Funeral services were held in Chicago, at Holy Cross Church on October 12, and his mortal remains were laid to rest in that city.

Although Dr. Pfothenauer was no longer holding the active presidency of our sister synod at the moment of his death yet the loss of his mature counsel will be most keenly felt. Nor will it be felt by the Missouri Synod only, but also by our Wisconsin Synod and by the Lutheran Church of America in general. He was a gift of

God to the church. Outstanding among his personal endowments was a rare executive ability. This was recognized by the district synod at an early date, when only eleven years after his graduation from the seminary, his brethren elected him to the district presidency. As district president, and later as president of the entire synod, he carried out the duties of his office very conscientiously, but without much ado and show of activity.

His executive ability was founded on, and hallowed by, a sincere Christian faith. Anyone who was privileged to come into closer contact with the deceased could not but feel how he realized his inborn sinfulness and rejoiced in the salvation bought for him by Christ with his own blood. Because this faith guided him he worked not

only for the development of his own synod but was truly ecumenical in his outlook.

He was also a very sound theologian and an effective preacher. Less than two years before his death a collection of sermons was published delivered by him on various occasions during the course of fifty-three years. They are all very simple in form, but reveal a deep theological understanding and carry a strong appeal to the Christian heart.

We of the Wisconsin Synod join our sister synod in thanking God for the great gift he granted to the Lutheran Church in the person of Dr. Pfothner, and pray that his memory may continue to exercise a guiding influence on our course.

Prof. J. Meyer.

## Announcements

### INSTALLATIONS

Authorized by President Karl Krauss the undersigned installed Pastor Kenneth Vertz in Mt. Olive Lutheran Church at Detroit, Mich., Sunday, September 10, 1939. Pastor G. Press preached the sermon. A number of our Detroit brethren assisted. May the Lord bless the work of Pastor K. Vertz in Mt. Olive.

Address: Rev. K. Vertz, 4425 Radnor Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
H. E. Heyn.

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Authorized by President Paul J. Bergmann the undersigned, assisted by the Rev. Emil Redlin and F. Blume installed the Rev. Gerhard Redlin as Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church of Crete, Ill. May the Lord abundantly bless all his labors.

T. W. Redlin.

### WESTERN DAKOTA-MONTANA PASTORAL

The Western Dakota-Montana Pastoral Conference will meet November 7 and 8 beginning at 9:00 A. M. (M. S. T.) at Faith, South Dakota (A. G. Eberhart).

Essays: The Baptism of John, What Is It? J. Wendland; The Inalienable Rights of the Congregation, P. Albrecht; The Essence and Character of a Sacrament, W. Schmidt.

Sermon: H. Schultz (H. J. Wackerfuss).

Kindly announce to local pastor. E. M. Bode, Sec'y.

### CENTRAL CONFERENCE

The Central Conference will meet at Cambria, Wis. (O. Kuehl, pastor), October 31 and November 1.

Order of Business: Tuesday, 10:00 A. M., Opening and Roll Call. 10:20, Report on Resolutions of Joint Synod. 1:30, Opening. 1:45, M. Raasch: Finances. 2:00, Prof. A. Sitz: Exegesis on Philipians 1 and 2. 4:30, Miscellaneous. — Wednesday, 9:00 A. M., Opening. 9:15, Sermon Critique. 9:45, Continuation of Report on Resolutions of Synod. 1:30, Opening. 1:45, Business. 2:00, Prof. C. Bolle: Music in Lutheran Services. 3:30, Miscellaneous.

Sermon: N. Paustian, K. Timmel (English).

Remarks: Please, announce early, stating also whether quarters are requested or not. H. Geiger, Sec'y.

### ARIZONA CONFERENCE

The Arizona Conference will meet October 25-27, 1939, at Phoenix, Arizona.

Papers: Sunday or Sabbath, E. Guenther; How to Teach and Admonish unto Sanctification, O. Hohenstein; Distinctive Doctrines of Mormonism, A. M. Uplegger; Exegesis on John 14, 15, F. Knoll; Arguments of Chiliasts and Millennialists, E. Sitz; Exegesis on 1 John 4:5, P. A. Behn.

The brethren are requested to announce themselves to the pastor, Rev. G. Schaller, at an early date.

R. C. Riess, Sec'y.

### EASTERN DAKOTA-MONTANA PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The above mentioned conference meets October 24 and 25, beginning at 9:00 A. M. at Aurora, H. Lau, pastor.

Sermon: O. Heier (E. Gamm).

Confessional Address: E. Schaller (M. Lemke).

Papers: "The Doctrine Concerning Satan" (continuation), A. Sippert; "Exegesis on 1 Cor. 3, 11-15," R. Kettenacker; "Savior's Letter to the Church at Thyatira," O. Heier; "Declaration of A. L. C. and Missouri Brief Statement," E. Schaller.

Kindly announce to local pastor. A. Sippert, Sec'y.

### EASTERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Eastern Pastoral Conference meets at St. Paul's Church, Cudahy (G. Hoenecke, pastor), October 24 and 25. First session at 9:30 A. M.

Papers: Petermann, J. Mahnke, Herwig, Lescow, Maaske. Sermon: Schewe, Schmidt. W. Keibel, Chairman.

### DODGE-WASHINGTON PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Dodge-Washington Pastoral Conference will meet October 24 and 25 at T. Lomira with Rev. Wolter (9:30 A. M.)

Sermon: Bradtke, Cares.

Confessional Address: Marti, Martin.

Papers: Martin, Bradtke, Stern, Schaar, Von Rohr.

Please, announce!

G. Redlin.

### MICHIGAN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

The Michigan State Teachers' Conference of the Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States will be held this year at St. John's Lutheran School at Pigeon, Michigan, beginning on Wednesday, October 25. The members of the conference and all others who intend to be present are asked to please announce early to the teacher, Mr. Leo Luedtke, R. 1, Pigeon, Mich. The following practical and theoretical works will be given:

#### Wednesday A. M. — Grades 5-8

9:10-10:00 The Transfiguration of Christ — Pastor A. Westendorf.

Sub. Conclusion of the Lord's Prayer — A. Jantz.

10:00-10:30 Nominative Case of Nouns — W. Stindt.

Sub. The Adverbial Clause — L. Raabe.

- 10:45-11:15 Circulation of the Blood — N. Berndt.  
 Sub. Corn and Its Uses (5-6) — W. Woltmann.  
 11:15-11:45 Physical Features of Europe (5-6) — R. Sievert.  
 Sub. Geography of Palestine — P. Mehnert.

**Wednesday P. M.**

Chairman's Address.  
 Theoretical Paper.  
 Business Meeting.

**Thursday A. M. — Grades 1-4**

- 9:10-10:00 Joseph Sold by His Brethren — F. Radde.  
 Sub. Jesus Before Pilate — Miss G. Walther.  
 10:00-10:30 Hygiene Lesson — Miss E. Wassmann.  
 Sub. Language Lesson (1-2) — Miss A. Kuhnke.  
 10:45-11:15 A Trip Across the Sahara — H. Schulz.  
 Sub. Penmanship (1-4) — F. Bartels.  
 11:15-11:45 Long Division (divisor of two numbers) — W. Arras.  
 Sub. Short Division (with remainder) — L. Raabe.

**Thursday P. M.**

Sunday school (Prof. Lehniger's Address) —  
 Round Table Discussion — Pastor W. Franzmann.  
 Unfinished Business.

**Friday A. M.**

Luther as an Educator — Prof. W. Schaller.

Divine services will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church on Wednesday evening at 8:00 P. M. Pastor Harold Zink of Freeland, Mich., will deliver the sermon.

Lester A. Raabe, Sec'y.  
 Michigan State Teachers' Conference.

**WISCONSIN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE**

The sixty-eighth Wisconsin State Teachers' Conference of the Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States will be held this year on Thursday and Friday, November 2 and 3, at St. Markus School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**PROGRAM**

**Thursday A. M.**

Inspirational Address: Pastor A. F. Halboth, Milwaukee.  
 Educational Ideals: Prof. M. Franzmann, Watertown.  
 Substitute: The Importance of Justification and Its Relation to Sanctification: Prof. H. Vogel, Fond du Lac.  
 Dangers of Moralizing in the Training of Children: Wm. Hellermann, Neenah.  
 Substitute: To What Extent are Teachers Responsible for the Failure of Pupils in the Classroom: K. Oswald, Weyauwega.

**Thursday P. M.**

How the Work in Arithmetic Should Progress from Grade to Grade: to be treated theoretically by Mr. E. Trettin and practically by Miss F. Strassen and Messrs. A. Fehlauer and E. Krause, all members of the faculty of Jerusalem School, Milwaukee.

Humor: P. Kolander, Waterloo.  
 Practical Demonstration in Choir Conducting: Prof. Martin Albrecht, Fond du Lac.

**Friday A. M.**

Social Science: Prof. H. Klatt, New Ulm.  
 Substitute: Motivation — How to Make the Pupil do the Work: Prof. E. R. Bliedernicht, New Ulm.  
 Gleanings from the Conference and Elsewhere: Executive Secretary, F. Meyer.  
 Business Meeting.

**Friday P. M.**

Commentary on the New Bible History: Prof. J. Meyer, Thiensville.  
 Value of Christian Parent-Teacher Associations: W. L. Roerig, Menomonie.  
 Unfinished Business.  
 The Future of Our Schools — Round Table Discussion: Prof. K. Schweppe, New Ulm. R. J. Jacobs, Sec'y.

**NOTICE**

All transients and health-seekers wishing information about Phoenix and the Salt River Valley climate and conditions, and all pastors whose members are vacationing in the Salt River Valley for the winter, please write to Robert Wm. Schaller, pastor of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Synodical Conference, 911 Woodland Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona.  
 Robert Wm. Schaller.

**MISSION FESTIVALS**

- St. Paul's Church, Tomah, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$424.00. — H. Schaller, pastor.  
**Immanuel's Church, Gibbon, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$1,010.00. — Hy Boettcher, pastor.  
**St. John's Church, Dundas, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$46.65. — J. Reuschel, pastor.
- Tenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**St. Paul's Church, Mayville, Mich.**  
 Offering: \$10.00. — A. W. Voges, pastor.
- Eleventh Sunday after Trinity**  
**Zion Church, Silverwood, Mich.**  
 Offering: \$10.00. — A. W. Voges, pastor.
- Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**  
**Ridgeway Church, Town Pleasant Hill, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$247.10. — R. W. Mueller, pastor.  
**Zion's Church, Olivia, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$206.24. — A. W. Blauert, pastor.  
**St. Paul's Church, Slinger, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$116.85. — Erwin Scharf, pastor.  
**St. Paul's Church, Cedar Lake, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$32.74. — Erwin Scharf, pastor.  
**Grace Church, Yakima, Wash.**  
 Offering: \$120.00. — Fred Soll, pastor.
- Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**Trinity Church, Elkton, South Dakota.**  
 Offering: \$100.16. — Wm. Lindloff, pastor.  
**Calvary Church, Valentine, Nebr.**  
 Offering: \$53.65. — Hugo Fritze, pastor.
- Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**St. Matthew's Church, Danube, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$378.12. — A. W. Blauert, pastor.  
**Salem Church, Stillwater, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$206.00. — J. Pieper, pastor.  
**St. Matthew's Church, Marathon, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$116.00. — E. E. Kolander, pastor.  
**St. Matthew's Church, St. Charles, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$120.00. — H. Kuckhahn, pastor.
- Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**Zion Church, Jacksonport, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$106.30. — Roy B. Gose, pastor.  
**St. John's Church, Princeton, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$286.03, Lad. Aid: \$75.00. — H. Warnke, pastor.  
**Zion's Church, Columbus, Wis.**  
 Offering: \$875.00. — Wm. Nommensen, pastor.  
**First Ev. Church, Minnesota City, Minn.**  
 Offering: \$16.69. — H. H. Kesting, pastor.  
**St. Peter's Church, Wood, South Dakota.**  
 Offering: \$23.75. — G. Geiger, pastor.  
**St. John's Church, Libertyville, Ill.**  
 Offering: \$140.00. — W. H. Lehmann, pastor.  
**Zion's Church, Akaska, So. Dak.**  
 Offering: \$71.52. — H. Heckendorf, pastor.

Congregation at Tp. Portland, Wis.  
Offering: \$36.85. — C. W. Siegler, pastor.

Grace Church, Sioux City, Iowa.  
Offering: \$51.50. — L. Sabrowsky, pastor.

Silaoh Church, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Offering: \$301.00. — P. J. Burkholz, pastor.

St. Lucas Church, Kewaskum, Wis.  
Offering: \$122.12. — Gerhard Kaniess, pastor.

St. John's Church, Maribel, Wis.  
Offering: \$182.59. — Gerhard Struck, pastor.

St. Michael's Church, Fountain City, Wis.  
Offering: \$183.80. — Aug. Vollbrecht, pastor.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Immanuel's Church, Johnson Creek, R. 1, Wis.  
Offering: \$316. 81. — A. W. Paap, pastor.

Zion's Church, Clatonia, Nebr.  
Offering: \$259.41. — E. C. Monhardt, pastor.

Trinity Church, Menasha, Wis.  
Offering: \$201.96. — P. G. Bergmann, pastor.

St. Paul's Church, Roscoe, South Dakota.  
Offering: \$150.35. — J. P. Scherf, pastor.

St. John's Church, Wayne, Mich.  
Offering: \$206.42. — Oscar J. Peters, pastor.

St. Luke's Church, Pickwick, Minn.  
Offering: \$40.00. — H. H. Kesting, pastor.

Apostles' Church, Toledo, Ohio.  
Offering: \$194.94. — Raymond C. Timmel, pastor.

Trinity Church, Saline, Mich.  
Offering: \$416.69. — H. L. Engel, pastor.

St. Peter's Church, Freedom Tp., Wis.  
Offering: \$135.49. — Th. Brenner, pastor.

Our Savior's Church, Jamestown, N. D.  
Offering: \$58.21. — J. B. Erhart, pastor.

St. Paul's Church, Bangor, Wis.  
Offering: \$243.02. — C. W. Siegler.

Grace Church, Eales, So. Dak.  
Offering: \$27.29. — H. Heckendorf, pastor.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

St. John's Church, Witten, So. Dak.  
Offering: \$36.00. — G. Geiger, pastor.

St. John's Church, Clarkston, Wash.  
Offering: \$34.00. — E. F. Kirst, pastor.

SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN DISTRICT

July 3 to September 30, 1939

Dodge-Washington County Conference

| Reverend                                  | Budgetary | Non-Budgetary |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| G. Bradtke, Z. Krippel, Chri., Tp. Herman | \$ 125.00 |               |
| G. Bradtke, Z. Krippel, Chr., Tp. Herman  | 38.00     |               |
| Herman Cares, Emanuel, Tp. Herman         | 112.81    |               |
| Herman W. Cares, Zion, Tp. Theresa        | 78.58     |               |
| Ph. Martin, St. Luke, Knowles             | 34.02     |               |
| Ph. Martin, St. Luke, Knowles             | 4.25      |               |
| Ph. Martin, St. Paul, Brownsville         | 18.15     |               |
| Gerhard Redlin, St. Peter, Allenton       | 172.50    |               |
| Gerhard Redlin, Zion, Allenton            | 125.04    |               |
| Erwin Scharf, St. Paul, Cedar Lake        | 33.00     |               |
| Erwin Scharf, St. Paul, Slinger           | 150.00    |               |
| M. F. Stern, St. Paul, Neosho             | 100.33    |               |
| St. John, West Bend, by R. C. Gerner      | 233.53    |               |
| St. John, West Bend, by R. C. Gerner      | 137.50    |               |
| St. John, West Bend, by R. C. Gerner      | 103.21    |               |

Eastern Conference

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| E. Ph. Ebert, Pentecostal, Whitefish Bay | 18.26 |
| E. Ph. Ebert, Pentecostal, Whitefish Bay | 16.78 |

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| E. Ph. Ebert, Pentecostal, Whitefish Bay | 12.24  |       |
| Frank G. Gundlach, Salem, W. Granville   |        | 27.10 |
| Ph. H. Hartwig, Christ, Pewaukee         | 37.00  |       |
| Ph. H. Hartwig, Zion, Hartland           | 274.00 |       |
| Gerald O. Hoenecke, St. Paul, Cudahy     | 50.51  |       |
| Gerald O. Hoenecke, St. Paul, Cudahy     | 46.00  |       |
| Walter Keibel, Nain, West Allis          | 12.33  |       |
| P. W. Kneiske, St. John, Lannon          | 22.00  |       |
| A. Koelpin, Fairview, Milwaukee          | 32.55  |       |
| A. F. Krueger, Resurrection, Milwaukee   | 22.40  |       |
| A. F. Krueger, Resurrection, Milwaukee   | 22.30  |       |
| A. F. Krueger, Resurrection, Milwaukee   | 24.69  |       |
| A. H. Maaske, St. John, Mukwonago        | 12.78  |       |
| J. Mahnke, Mt. Lebanon, Milwaukee        | 32.84  |       |
| J. Mahnke, Mt. Lebanon, Milwaukee        | 27.92  |       |
| Wm. C. Mahnke, St. John, Root Creek      | 83.87  | 2.00  |
| M. F. Rische, David's Star, Kirchhayn    | 35.80  |       |
| M. F. Rische, David's Star, Kirchhayn    | 23.30  |       |
| M. F. Rische, David's Star, Kirchhayn    | 486.43 |       |
| J. G. Ruege, Jordan, West Allis          | 197.35 |       |
| G. Schaller, St. Paul, Tp. Franklin      | 46.17  |       |
| Alfred C. Schewe, Trinity, W. Mequon     | 46.90  |       |
| Alfred C. Schewe, Trinity, W. Mequon     | 46.45  |       |
| Arnold Schultz, Trinity, Milwaukee       | 50.00  |       |
| Harry Shiley, St. Peter, Tp. Greenfield  | 1.50   |       |
| Harry Shiley, Woodlawn, West Allis       | 70.36  |       |
| E. W. Tacke, St. Paul, Tess Corners      | 117.20 |       |
| E. W. Tacke, St. Paul, Tess Corners      | 77.70  |       |
| L. M. Voss, Good Sheph., Tp. Wauwatosa   | 27.55  |       |
| L. M. Voss, Good Sheph., Tp. Wauwatosa   | 22.55  |       |
| S. E. Westendorf, Calvary, Thiensville   | 154.26 |       |
| S. E. Westendorf, Calvary, Thiensville   |        | 50.00 |
| H. Woyahn, Grace, Waukesha               | 22.00  |       |
| H. Woyahn, Grace, Waukesha               | 40.53  |       |

Milwaukee City Conference

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|---|--------|--------|
| P. J. Bergmann, Christ                                | 101.03 |        |
| P. J. Bergmann, Christ                                | 70.20  |        |
| E. Blakewell, Salem                                   | 50.99  |        |
| E. Blakewell, Salem                                   |        | 27.80  |
| John Brenner, St. John                                | 224.55 | 51.00  |
| John Brenner, St. John                                | 195.75 | 57.45  |
| John Brenner, St. John                                | 194.34 | 60.50  |
| R. O. Buerger, Gethsemane                             | 79.14  |        |
| P. J. Burkholz, Siloah                                | 158.05 | 42.01  |
| P. J. Burkholz, Siloah                                | 146.62 | 67.86  |
| P. J. Burkholz, Siloah                                | 195.16 | 57.88  |
| J. C. Dahlke, Jerusalem                               | 131.29 | 8.20   |
| J. C. Dahlke, Jerusalem                               | 122.69 | 7.67   |
| Fred Graeber, Apostles                                | 14.45  |        |
| A. F. Halboth, St. Matthew                            | 100.00 |        |
| A. F. Halboth, St. Matthew                            | 106.67 | 62.00  |
| A. F. Halboth, St. Matthew                            | 56.08  | 62.00  |
| Walter A. Hoenecke, Bethel                            | 72.27  | 10.94  |
| Walter A. Hoenecke, Bethel                            | 46.32  | 10.99  |
| H. Knuth and V. Brohm, Bethesda                       | 182.70 | 58.67  |
| H. Knuth and V. Brohm, Bethesda                       | 446.00 | 111.49 |
| Ph. H. Koehler, St. Lucas                             | 131.30 | 14.58  |
| Ph. H. Koehler, St. Lucas                             | 153.84 | 17.08  |
| A. C. Lengling, Sarons                                |        | 32.45  |
| Paul G. Naumann, St. Jacobi                           | 126.60 | 36.40  |
| Paul G. Naumann, St. Jacobi                           | 125.74 | 38.85  |
| Paul G. Naumann, St. Jacobi                           | 110.40 | 27.60  |
| Erhard C. Pankow, Garden Homes                        | 40.00  |        |
| Paul Pieper, St. Peter                                | 144.98 | 17.50  |
| Paul Pieper, St. Peter (incl. \$40.00 — H. Strothoff) | 199.97 | 16.75  |
| W. J. Schaefer, Atonement                             | 54.00  |        |
| H. W. Schwertfeger, Homehurst Mission                 | .80    |        |
| H. W. Schwertfeger, St. Paul                          | 9.50   |        |
| H. W. Schwertfeger, St. Paul                          | 7.47   |        |
| Wm. F. Sauer, Grace                                   |        | 25.00  |
| G. A. Thiele, Parkside                                | 9.35   |        |
| G. A. Thiele, Parkside                                | 7.15   |        |
| G. A. Thiele, Parkside                                | 10.50  |        |
| Arthur P. Voss, St. James                             | 104.87 | 82.65  |
| Arthur P. Voss, St. James                             | 61.01  | 27.50  |

Southern Conference

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| A. C. Bartz, Immanuel, Waukegan       | 10.00  |
| Carl H. Buenger, Friedens, Kenosha    | 19.86  |
| W. A. Diehl, First Ev. Luth., Elkhorn | 211.52 |

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| W. A. Diehl, First Ev. Luth., Elkhorn     | 11.80  |
| Gerhardt J. Ehlert, Zion, Crete           | 81.00  |
| Eugene Hinderer, Zion, Bristol            | 15.60  |
| Eugene Hinderer, Zion, Bristol            | 21.35  |
| E. W. Hillmer, St. Luke, Kenosha          | 24.86  |
| E. W. Hillmer, St. Luke, Kenosha          | 34.89  |
| Edwin Jaster, Epiphany, Racine            | 19.77  |
| Edwin Jaster, Epiphany, Racine            | 18.52  |
| Edwin Jaster, Epiphany, Racine            | 20.10  |
| R. P. Otto, Peace, Wilmot                 | 300.00 |
| O. B. Nommensen, Zion, So. Milwaukee      | 38.22  |
| O. B. Nommensen, Zion, So. Milwaukee      | 21.65  |
| O. B. Nommensen, Zion, So. Milwaukee      | 17.75  |
| M. F. Plass, St. John, Oakwood            | 100.00 |
| Julius Toepel, St. Matthew, Des Plaines   | 151.05 |
| Theo. Volkert, First Ev. Luth., Racine    | 3.20   |
| Theo. Volkert, First Ev. Lutheran, Racine | 105.36 |

**Memorial Wreaths**

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| For <b>Fred Ariens</b> from Mr. and Mrs. Norman Liebert and Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Dahlke by Pastor Dahlke   | 2.00                                |
| For <b>Wm. H. Graebner</b> , from the Heidtke Family by Pastor F. Graeber   | 2.00                                |
| For <b>Mrs. G. Hintz</b> from Classmates of Lois Hintz (St. Lucas School) by Pastor Ph. H. Koehler  | 2.00                                |
| For <b>Charles Jeske</b> from Mrs. J. Troeller, Mr. and Mrs. August Mueller, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Yoekel and Mr. and Mrs. A. Troeller by Pastor J. G. Jeske                 | 4.00                                |
| For <b>Mrs. Katharine H. Lawrenz</b> from St. John's Congregation, Lomira, by Pastor Rud. F. W. Pietz   | 25.00                               |
| For <b>Mrs. Katharine H. Lawrenz</b> from Rev. G. Pieper by Pastor Rud. F. W. Pietz   | 3.00                                |
| For <b>Rev. Aug. Paetz</b> from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Loehndorf, Mr. and Mrs. George Krohn, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Luebke and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Beyersdorf by Pastor A. B. Tacke | 5.00                                |
| For <b>Rev. J. Rien</b> from Dodge-Washington County Conference by Pastor Rud. F. W. Pietz  | 15.00                               |
| For <b>Mrs. Albert Wietzke</b> from St. Lucas Church Council, Kenosha, by Pastor E. W. Hillmer  | 5.00                                |
| For <b>Prof. A. Zich</b> from Seminary Student Body by George Frey, Sec'y.  | 5.00                                |
| <b>Personal Gifts</b>   |                                     |
| B. S. M., Watertown   | 5.00                                |
| Ministers' Wives Mission Circle by Mrs. A. F. Krueger, Treasurer  | 30.00                               |
|   | <u>\$8,868.01</u> <u>\$1,245.63</u> |

CHAS. E. WERNER, Cashier.

Milwaukee, October 2, 1939.

**NEBRASKA DISTRICT**

July, August, and September, 1939

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|---|--------|
| Reverend                                  |        |
| W. J. Oelhafen, Herrick, S. D., St. John  | 57.61  |
| L. Gruendeman, Herrick, S. D., St. John   | 105.35 |
| L. Gruendeman, Carlock, S. D., Peace      | 37.85  |
| L. Gruendeman, Burke, S. D., Grace        | 38.00  |
| F. H. Miller, McNeely, S. D., St. Paul    | 2.30   |
| F. H. Miller, Colome, S. D., Zion         | 30.54  |
| R. Stiemke, Mission, S. D., Zion          | 47.00  |
| F. C. Knueppel, Naper, Nebr., St. Paul    | 95.50  |
| Hugo Fritze, Valentine, Nebr., Zion       | 117.25 |
| Hugo Fritze, Valentine, Nebr., Calvary    | 27.00  |
| <b>Central Conference</b>                 |        |
| L. A. Tessmer, Hadar, Nebr., Immanuel     | 181.82 |
| L. Sabrowsky, Sioux City, Iowa, Grace     | 71.91  |
| V. H. Winter, Merna, Nebr., Immanuel      | 50.67  |
| V. H. Winter, Broken Bow, Nebr., St. Paul | 37.50  |
| R. H. Roth, Brewster, Nebr., St. John     | 35.90  |
| R. F. Bittorf, Hoskins, Nebr., Trinity    | 198.74 |
| J. Witt, Norfolk, Nebr., St. Paul         | 507.00 |

**Southern Conference**

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| H. H. Spaude, David City, Nebr., Zion      | 70.60  |
| H. H. Spaude, Rising City, Nebr., St. John | 94.81  |
| (vacancy), Shickley, Nebr., Zion           | 52.50  |
| A. T. Degner, Plymouth, Nebr., St. Paul    | 257.64 |
| E. C. Monhardt, Clatonia, Nebr., Zion      | 247.21 |

**Colorado Conference**

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| O. Kreie, Hillrose, Colo., Trinity | 58.50 |
| V. Tiefel, Platteville, Colo.      | 51.65 |
| H. Schulz, Ft. Morgan, Colo., Zion | 85.13 |

**Donation**

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| August Steinbeck, York, Neb., for Church Ext. Fund | 50.00             |
|  | <u>\$2,609.98</u> |

(No receipts for non-budgetary purposes)

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|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| General Administration            | \$ 181.75 |
| Educational Institutions, General | 287.26    |
| Theological Seminary              | 25.00     |
| Northwestern College              | 25.00     |
| Dr. Martin Luther College         | 25.00     |
| Michigan Lutheran Seminary        | 30.21     |
| Parochial School Commission       | 11.48     |
| Home for the Aged                 | 5.00      |
| Missions, General                 | 1,122.13  |
| Indian Mission                    | 68.17     |
| Negro Mission                     | 62.14     |
| Home Mission                      | 468.01    |
| Poland Mission                    | 191.82    |
| Madison Student Mission           | 10.00     |
| Student Support                   | 10.60     |
| General Support                   | 21.81     |
| To Retire Debts                   | 14.60     |
| Church Extension Fund             | 50.00     |

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OWEN MC FARLAND, Cashier,  
Nebr. Dist., Norfolk, Nebr.

**WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT**

July, August, and September, 1939

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Reverend                              |          |
| H. F. Backer, Platteville             | \$ 68.95 |
| J. C. Bast, McMillan                  | 14.00    |
| H. E. Bentrup, Stoddard               | 161.60   |
| Arthur Berg, Sparta                   | 333.66   |
| A. F. Berg, Norwalk                   | 85.00    |
| C. E. Berg, Ridgeville                | 82.47    |
| R. C. Biesmann, Brodhead              | 21.26    |
| L. M. Bleichwehl, Little Falls        | 16.43    |
| E. Blumenthal, Wausau                 | 49.52    |
| A. H. Dobberstein, Tuckertown         | 159.00   |
| A. H. Dobberstein, Lime Ridge         | 79.70    |
| A. G. Dornfeld, Fox Lake              | 183.04   |
| Otto Engel, Hubbleton                 | 63.48    |
| Gerh. Fischer, Savanna                | 108.00   |
| E. C. Fredrich, Helenville            | 58.20    |
| Henry Geiger, Leeds                   | 123.57   |
| G. Gerth, T. Merrimac                 | 25.00    |
| G. Gerth, Greenfield                  | 30.00    |
| Henry Gieschen, Fort Atkinson         | 7.00     |
| Frederick Gilbert, Indian Creek       | 83.44    |
| Frederick Gilbert, Hustler            | 118.25   |
| I. J. Habeck, Medford                 | 447.03   |
| A. Hanke, T. Norton                   | 176.75   |
| M. J. Hillemann, Marshall             | 148.63   |
| R. C. Hillemann, Ixonia               | 403.24   |
| O. E. Hoffmann, Rib Lake              | 87.25    |
| O. E. Hoffmann, T. Greenwood          | 36.00    |
| R. C. Horlamus, Hurley                | 52.1     |
| L. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam               | 123.53   |
| J. Klingmann and W. Eggert, Watertown | 233.56   |
| E. E. Kolander, Marathon              | 112.00   |
| R. P. Korn, Lewiston                  | 382.55   |
| G. O. Krause, Little Black            | 5.61     |
| G. O. Krause, Stetsonville            | 110.09   |
| C. F. Kurzweg, Cream                  | 185.50   |
| C. F. Kurzweg, Cochrane               | 235.62   |
| M. F. Liesemann, Tageville            | 196.84   |
| A. W. Looch, Warren                   | 29.38    |
| G. C. Marquardt, Ringle               | 27.59    |

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| G. C. Marquardt, Schofield .....                    | 164.27      |
| A. L. Mennicke, Winona .....                        | 123.36      |
| J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie .....                    | 300.00      |
| Paul Monhardt, South Ridge .....                    | 170.00      |
| R. W. Mueller, Wilson .....                         | 203.16      |
| R. W. Mueller, Ridgeway .....                       | 26.82       |
| Theo. J. Mueller, La Crosse .....                   | 93.70       |
| G. E. Neumann, Rib Falls .....                      | 68.00       |
| G. E. Neumann, T. Rib Falls .....                   | 38.50       |
| G. E. Neumann, T. Stettin .....                     | 44.50       |
| H. Nommensen, Spirit .....                          | 41.19       |
| H. Nommensen, Prentice .....                        | 23.00       |
| M. J. Nommensen, Juneau .....                       | 75.00       |
| Wm. Nommensen, Columbus .....                       | 1,236.05    |
| E. J. Otterstatter, Tomahawk .....                  | 44.66       |
| A. W. Paap, Johnson Creek .....                     | 304.31      |
| E. H. Palechek, Chaseburg .....                     | 105.00      |
| J. H. Paustian, Barre Mills .....                   | 294.15      |
| N. E. Paustian, Oconomowoc .....                    | 155.50      |
| W. A. Paustian, Onalaska .....                      | 164.35      |
| E. E. Prenzlou, Cornell, Keyston, Birch Creek ..... | 65.00       |
| J. M. Raasch, Lake Mills .....                      | 100.60      |
| S. Rathke, Cameron and Barron .....                 | 112.86      |
| S. Rathke, Cameron and Barron .....                 | 66.25       |
| R. Schoeneck, Rice Lake .....                       | 5.00        |
| A. W. Sauer, Winona .....                           | 5.00        |
| W. E. Schultz, Town Berlin .....                    | 133.00      |
| Adolph Schumann, Globe .....                        | 100.00      |
| W. A. Schumann, La Crosse .....                     | 25.00       |
| J. H. Schwartz, West Salem .....                    | 270.59      |
| F. H. Senger, Arcadia .....                         | 83.17       |
| C. W. Siegler, Portland .....                       | 33.85       |
| C. W. Siegler, Bangor .....                         | 262.52      |
| R. A. Siegler, Whitehall .....                      | 71.60       |
| M. Taras, Lebanon .....                             | 90.00       |
| K. A. Timmel, Watertown .....                       | 319.00      |
| L. C. Vater, Goodrich .....                         | 23.00       |
| Gustav Vater, North Freedom .....                   | 68.25       |
| E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids .....                  | 79.50       |
| H. M. Warnke, Doylestown .....                      | 104.99      |
| W. Weissgerber, Minocqua .....                      | 80.08       |
| W. Weisgerber, Woodruff .....                       | 75.07       |
| A. A. Winter, Mauston .....                         | 150.00      |
| A. A. Winter, New Lisbon .....                      | 88.00       |
| L. A. Winter, Eau Galle .....                       | 117.03      |
| L. A. Winter, Plum City .....                       | 111.42      |
| L. A. Winter, Elmwood .....                         | 64.35       |
| R. F. Wolff, Cambridge .....                        | 2.00        |
| W. E. Zank, Newville .....                          | 124.35      |
| H. R. Zimmermann( Randolph .....                    | 215.00      |
| Budgetary .....                                     | \$11,509.59 |
| Non-Budgetary .....                                 | 77.25       |
| Total received .....                                | \$11,586.84 |

**MEMORIAL WREATHS**

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| In Memory of   |          |
| Julius Neitzke (Rev. M. F. Liesener, Wausau).....                | \$ 16.50 |
| Mrs. Ada Nommensen (Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus) .....          | 2.00     |
| Mrs. Ada Nommensen (Rev. E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids) .....     | 12.00    |
| Mrs. Hy. Reul (Rev. E. C. Fredrich, Helenville) .....            | 5.00     |
| Mrs. John Martin (Rev. E. C. Fredrich, Helenville) .....         | 4.50     |
| Doretta Neumann (Rev. R. C. Hillemann, Ixonia) .....             | 6.00     |
| Mrs. W. Blum (Rev. R. C. Horlamus, Hurley) .....                 | 4.50     |
| Mrs. Wm. Nommensen (Rev. G. O. Krause, Stetsonville) .....       | 1.00     |
| Mrs. Philo Van Dyke (Rev. E. H. Palechek, Chaseburg) .....       | 5.00     |
| George E. Pfaff (Rev. C. W. Siegler, Bangor) .....               | .50      |
| Mrs. John Schaefer (Rev. K. A. Timmel, Watert'n) .....           | 4.00     |
| Rev. Aug. Paetz (Rev. Henry Geiger, Morrisonville) .....         | 2.00     |
| Mrs. Mary Jaehnke (Rev. Henry Gieschen, Fort Atkinson) .....     | 7.00     |
| Mrs. Dorothy Meyer (Rev. I. J. Habeck, Medford) .....            | 8.00     |
| Mrs. Mathilda Christianson (Rev. O. E. Hoffmann, Rib Lake) ..... | 3.75     |
| Mabel Lentz (Rev. J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie) .....              | 4.00     |
| Waldemar Schoenoff (Rev. J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie) .....       | 1.00     |
| Bertha Panzer (Rev. A. W. Sauer, Winona, Minn.) .....            | 5.00     |

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| Bernice Lammert (Rev. R. Schoeneck, Rice Lake) ....  | 5.00  |
| Anna T. Stark (Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse) ..... | 25.00 |
| H. J. KOCH, Treasurer.                               |       |

**MICHIGAN DISTRICT**

July, August, and September, 1939

**Southwestern Conference**

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| Reverend                      |          |
| L. Meyer, Allegan .....       | \$ 14.81 |
| W. Franzmann, Coloma .....    | 189.75   |
| W. Westendorf, Dowagiac ..... | 17.30    |
| N. Engel, Eau Claire .....    | 73.35    |
| E. T. Lochner, Hopkins .....  | 217.28   |
| E. T. Lochner, Dorr .....     | 80.30    |
| A. Hoenecke, Muskegon .....   | 75.53    |
| H. Hoenecke, Sturgis .....    | 40.25    |

**Southeastern Conference**

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| J. Nicolai, Adrian, from N. N. ....  | 1.00   |
| H. Heyn, Detroit .....   | 71.86  |
| J. Gauss, Jenera, O., including \$50.00 from Sunday school and \$50.00 from Young People's .....   | 486.50 |
| W. Steih, Lansing .....  | 26.23  |
| H. Zapf, Monroe .....  | 22.10  |
| A. Maas, Northfield .....  | 44.50  |
| E. Hoenecke, Plymouth .....  | 33.64  |
| H. Engel, Saline .....   | 410.69 |
| A. Wacker, Scio, incl. Baptism Collection A. Toney \$2.50, Wedding Collection Haaf-Hirth \$11.25 and two memorial wreaths for Waldo Jedele \$7.00 .... | 631.26 |
| R. Scheele, Tecumseh .....   | 83.78  |
| G. Luetke, Toledo, O., memorial wreath for Emil and Marie Malone .....   | 16.25  |
| O. Naumann, Toledo, O., including two memorial wreaths for W. H. Schmeltz \$7.00 .....   | 42.50  |
| E. Leyrer, Waterloo .....  | 9.25   |
| O. Peters, Wayne .....   | 257.81 |
| O. Peters, Livonia .....   | 45.50  |

**Northern Conference**

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| M. Schroeder, Bay City, including \$25.00 from Ladies' Aid .....                   | 175.76 |
| E. Kasischke, Bay City .....   | 36.30  |
| H. Engel, Chesaning .....  | 171.83 |
| H. Engel, Brady .....  | 81.17  |
| C. Henning, Elkton, including \$5.00 from Young People's .....                     | 56.13  |
| B. Westendorf, Flint .....   | 63.30  |
| D. Rohda, Flint .....  | 103.84 |
| A. Kehrberg, Frankenmuth, including \$50.00 from Ladies' Aid .....                 | 156.70 |
| R. Kaschinske, Greenwood .....   | 79.17  |
| K. Vertz, Hale .....   | 29.41  |
| G. Albrecht, Kawkawlin .....   | 18.40  |
| F. Krauss and K. Krauss, Lansing .....   | 445.44 |
| E. Rupp, Manistee .....  | 83.59  |
| E. Rupp, Batcheller .....  | 67.00  |
| W. Voss, Owosso .....  | 119.55 |
| A. W. Hueschen, Pigeon, including memorial wreath for Mrs. Anna Meyer \$2.00 ..... | 272.00 |
| D. Metzger, Remus .....  | 78.81  |
| D. Metzger, Broomfield .....   | 68.30  |
| O. Eckert and O. J. Eckert, Saginaw .....  | 490.65 |
| O. Frey, Saginaw .....   | 46.40  |
| H. Eckert, Saginaw .....   | 34.57  |
| G. Schmelzer, Sebawaing .....  | 222.13 |
| J. Zink, Sterling .....  | 77.42  |
| C. Kionka, Swan Creek .....  | 31.00  |
| C. Kionka, Hemlock .....   | 50.00  |
| C. Leyrer, St. Louis .....   | 30.45  |
| J. Roekle, Tawas City .....  | 81.52  |
| H. Zink, Tittabawassee .....   | 22.51  |
| W. Voges, Vassar .....   | 5.10   |
| W. Voges, Mayville .....   | 15.75  |
| W. Voges, Silverwood .....   | 10.00  |
| R. Koch, Zilwaukee .....   | 156.11 |

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| Budgetary .....                    | \$6,255.25 |
| Church Extension Fund .....        | 3.00       |
| Non-Budgetary .....                | 11.50      |
| For Debt Retirement Committee .... | 2.00       |

E. WENK, Cashier.