Number 24

Thanksgiving

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Cord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

For the Cord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations

Psalm 100



LAID UP IN THE ARK

Let the Days Speak — Memories

On our journey through this present eventful year we have again reached the traditional national Day of Thanksgiving. The day is properly observed toward the close of each year. We are to pause at this time, and let the days that have passed speak. On this day of Thanksgiving we are to unlock the ark of our memory and search and see what the days that have passed held in store for us. Pray God that our memory be indeed a holy place from which all dark and bitter thoughts, all murmurings and ungratefulness, have been banished.

Material Gifts

The ancient ark of the covenant contained a pot of manna in memory of the bread that God had provided for His people in the wilderness. And is this not your recollection of the days that lie behind you? Indeed, "the eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord; and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest Thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing." Ps. 145, 15.16. The Lord did provide all that we needed for our bodily welfare and life. Throughout their journey in the wilderness Israel lacked nothing, and toward the journey's end the Lord reminded them, "Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee." But how much more was provided, when Israel reached the promised land. The manna ceased but "the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; a land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey; a land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass." - Can we read this description of Palestine without thinking of our own richly blest homeland? -And remember, even today no foe has drawn near our shores to destroy our cities, and homes, or to lay waste our rich fields.

"When thou hast eaten and art full, then shalt thou bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee." Deut. 8.

Spiritual Gifts

Look again into the ark of memory-it holds something even more precious than the memory

of gifts provided by God for our bodily welfare. "As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My mouth, saith the Lord, it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Is. 55, 10-11. Even as the rod of Aaron showed leaf and flower, so have we, who were by nature dead in trespasses and sins, been

quickened by the precious Gospel of Christ with new life and hope. That living seed of the Word hath begotten us again to faith in Christ. And what precious spiritual gifts are ours - the assurance that we are the children of God, the confidence to pray and to make known our daily needs to our Heavenly Father, the sure hope of heaven. Indeed, if we must thank our Lord for His good providence in placing us in this free and rich land of ours, how much more must we thank Him for making us citizens of His spiritual kingdom. "Thou art a holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto Himself, above all the people that are upon the face of the earth." Deut. 7, 6.

The Lord's Covenant With Us

Finally, we have the blessed memory of the Lord's covenant with us, the believers in Jesus Christ. This covenant is far more glorious than that covenant which He made with the children of Israel when He took them by the hand and led them out of Egypt, when He revealed the covenant of the Law at Sinai. It is the covenant of the New Testament, written with the blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ in these words, "I will forgive their iniquity, and will remember their sin no more." Jer. 31. We have sinned in the year that is drawing to its close, daily and much, yet because of this covenant of grace in Christ we have been spared, and the Lord has not dealt with us according to our sins. This covenant of grace is our comfort in all trials and tribulations; God has thoughts of peace toward us, and not of evil. Because of this covenant of grace in Christ Jesus the Lord our God will finally also take us to our homeland above.

Whatever else we may gain or lose, we carry this covenant in our hearts - the covenant which binds us in life and death to our Savior-

"I praise and thank Thee, Lord, my God, For Thine abundant blessing Which heretofore Thou hast bestowed And I am still possessing. Inscribe this on my memory: The Lord hath done great things for me And graciously hath helped me."

A. P. V.



"Enter Into His Gates With Thanksgiving"

off into two chambers. First came the holy place, with the table for the shewbread, the altar for incense, and the golden candlestick. Beyond this sanctuary lay the most holy place. Behind its veil no man might pass except the high priest, and he but once a year, on the great Day of Atonement. In the most holy place stood "the ark of the

THE tabernacle which Moses erected in the

wilderness was curtained

covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; and over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercy seat; of which we cannot now speak particularly." Hebrews 9, 4. 5.

The Ark of the Covenant

Here and there in the Old Testament we have glimpses of the "wanderings" of the ark of the covenant, how it was hurried into battle and lost, and again brought back to its proper place in the sanctuary of the tabernacle. To the people of God under the Old Covenant the presence of the ark meant the presence of God Himself, indeed, over the ark, in the most holy place, the glory of the Lord was ever present. Of this, in the words of the text, "We cannot now speak particu-

Regarding the sacred relics which were treasured up in the ark, we know certainly of these three - the pot of manna, the rod of Aaron that budded, and the tables of the covenant. The omer full of manna had been laid up before the Lord in memory of that bread which came down from heaven, when God spread a table in the wilderness for His people. Concerning the rod that budded we read in the Book of Numbers, that when jealousy and murmurings broke out among the tribes of Israel, the Lord commanded that the prince of each tribe hand a rod to Moses, who should lay these twelve rods before the Lord in the tabernacle. On the morrow the rod of Aaron, with the name of Levi written upon it, was found to have budded. Numbers 17. The bare, dead wood blossomed, as a token from God to signify which tribe He had chosen for the priesthood in Israel. Finally, there were laid up in the ark the tables of the covenant, the two tablets of stone upon which the Law of Sinai had been engraved.

In the first Book of Kings, in the eighth chapter, we are told that after the ark had suffered many vicissitudes, it finally came to rest in the sanctuary of Solomon's temple. And when the priests lifted the cover, "there was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone which Moses put there at Horeb, when the Lord made a covenant with the children of Israel, when they came out of the land of

Editoriale

Thank Thee, Lord" This is a sentence that is repeated over and over in the Christian and the non-Christian orld. Many people believe that to speak these words constitutes a rayer of thanksgiving. They believe that the words make a prayer. hey believe that so long as one uses the name LORD or GOD and ldresses petitions or words of thanks to God one has spoken a prayer. he Lord Jesus tells in the Bible of a man who had the same idea bout prayer, and about thanking God, in which case both he and his rayer were rejected. Read about it in Luke 18, 9-14. God would also that the that the transport of the control of the c

The first essential of a God-pleasing prayer is to know Him to whom ir prayer is addressed. He has revealed Himself fully in the Scripre as the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the God who in infinite ve gave up His only begotten Son and delivered Him up for us all give His life as a ransom for us. To so know Him is the first sential if we would address Him in prayer. It will not do to vaguely now of Him that He is the Supreme Being, the Ruler of the Universe, d by the many and various, even euphonious names, men have given im. The second essential of a true prayer is to know one's self — to low that all men are by nature sinful and unholy and dare not come to the presence of the holy God, not even in prayer, trusting in our-lyes and our own "worthiness." It will not do to persuade ourselves at God will overlook our "shortcomings" and "failures." Nay, we ust know that "God is a consuming fire" against sin and, Deut. 4, 24, hat the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness d unrighteousness of men," Romans 1, 18, and that sin separates an and God. The third essential of a God-pleasing prayer is that e know how to approach God. Christ clearly defines this saying, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father my name, He will give it you," John 16, 23. And again, "Give thanks ways for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord sus Christ," Eph. 5, 20. Whoever would approach God in any other my will find heaven closed against him. To pray in Jesus' name cans to trust not in our own "goodness" or "merit" but to trust in the erits of Christ alone who reconciled us to God by His bloody work the cross and His death, for "the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, anseth us from all sin," 1 John 1, 7.

Let those who would approach God in prayer to say, "I thank Thee d" remember these essentials of a God-pleasing prayer. Let the ristian be slow to approve every prayer spoken publicly, especially such who are not called to lead in prayer. Do not be deceived by autiful words and phrases, nor the oft repeated "I thank Thee Lord." spite of all resemblance to a God-pleasing prayer it may lack every ential of it.

W. J. S.

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ar Citizenship It seems to us that there is altogether too much ado made of the Church's part in the post-war reconstrucn period. It is not the state that is making the ado. The state has I little to say about the part the Church is to play "when peace nes again." It is the Church through its many and varied spokesn that is deeply interested; too much so. One can hardly pick up a arch paper nowadays without finding some expression on that subt. It seems to be taken for granted that the Church or churches her, will play an important role in the rehabilitation of the world hen peace comes." If the writers in the church papers have in mind spreading of the Gospel in the countries of the world, well and good. at is what the Church has been called to do to preach the Gospel o all nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have nmanded you. The trouble is one reads so little about just this amission of the Church. Let us keep this straight in our own minds t this is the ONE and ONLY work of the Church. All other things and messing with political affairs of the world especially are foreign her. But it seems that many churches are not satisfied with this st inconspicuous position. They want the world to know they are re and they want the world to recognize them as a power and as a ler in ALL affairs. They want the limelight. They honestly bee, however, that this is theirs by divine right and the world must ognize it. The fact that the Savior says, "you the world-hateth," res-little difference to them. The Savior spoke these words for all e to come; and He meant it. Not Christ nor the Apostle messed

with the affairs of men, the state, the governments - they were so busy doing the Lord's will, preaching the Gospel that they had no time for more than conscientiously obeying the government "that had power over them." The more the Church messes with the affairs of the world, the more she loses her power and identity as the servant The Church stands for Christ and not for another thing in this world. She preaches the Gospel for the salvation of sinners and not another thing. In all secular matters she "submits herself unto the higher powers. The individual members of the Church, beyond this, pray for those who are in authority, obey the laws that exist, express their wishes at the polls, and in every way seek the good of the land of which God has made them citizens. But as members of the Church they will strive with might and main that the Church keep her hands out of the affairs of the world. They will fight any organized effort in the Church to run the affairs of the government and the world. This must be repeated time and again lest we forget that "our citizenship is in heaven.'

A Progressive Church should be the aim of every member of a Christian congregation. But what is a progressive congregation? It is one which carries out the purpose and aim of the Church in the best possible manner. This purpose is twofold: 1) the edification of its members and 2) the salvation of lost souls. A congregation then is progressive when it continues to strive toward ever better ways of teaching God's Word to its members, young and old, when it succeeds in getting the greatest number to be diligent in the study of the Word of God at home, - when the greatest number of its members faithfully and gladly hear the Word of God; when the greatest number willingly serve the Lord in the congregation with their talents, time, energy, money, - when the members are zealous in complying with their Lord's command to bring the Gospel to all people in their own community and through their missionaries, - when these members attend all services regularly and are truly edified by them, when pastor, teachers, officers, and elders can and will faithfully carry out their assigned duties. Such strength of a progressive congregation will of course show itself in the way it conducts its services and runs its business. But unless all progress in a congregation comes from an ever stronger faith its members are gaining from year to year, then such progress is sham. Too many judge the progress of a church by the amount of ceremonial and vestments used in services, by the success of social functions in the congregation, or by the number of "influential" people that can be persuaded to join it. These things may be the result of true progress, but not progress itself. The strength of the congregation lies in the strength of the faith of the individual members, and so progress must always aim at strengthening such faith. This strength can alone be achieved by means of the Word of God. Are you aiding or hindering the progress of your congregation? Your attendance at divine services, your willingness to continue the study of God's Word, your readiness to serve the congregation in whatever way your help is needed, your contributions toward church and missions answer the question for you . . . and for your congregation.

G. W. Fischer.

Christmas Gifts At this time of the year most people are thinking of Christmas gifts. Like every other Christmas people will be buying and will be receiving gifts of questionable worth and value. Some of them will have no appeal at all and some will have lost their appeal before ever the wrappings are assigned to the waste basket. We know that that will be the case on the Christmas that will soon be upon us again.

The Christmas of the Christian, of course, does not consist in material gifts, though they have always been and are today an expression or a symbol of God's great gift to us. While we are buying gifts for those we love and while we are in a quandary what to give them to express this love why not think of the *Northwestern Lutheran* as a fitting gift for our Christian friends or the members of our family? It is that kind of a gift that a Christian would give to another Christian.

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W. J. S.

STUDIES IN THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION

BY PROFESSOR JOHN MEYER

PART TWO
Articles In Which Are Reviewed

THE ABUSES Which Have Been Corrected

Inasmuch, then, as our churches dissent in no articles of faith from the Church Catholic, but only omit some abuses which are new, and which have been erroneously accepted by the corruption of the times, contrary to the intent of the Canons, we pray that Your Imperial Majesty would graciously hear both what has been changed, and what were the reasons why the people were not compelled to observe those abuses against their conscience.

Nor should Your Imperial Majesty believe those who, in order to excite the hatred of men against our part, disseminate strange slanders among the people. Having thus excited the minds of good men, they have first given occasion to this controversy, and now endeavor, by the same arts, to increase the discord.

For Your Imperial Majesty will undoubtedly find that the form of doctrine and of ceremonies with us is not so intolerable as these ungodly men represent. Besides, the truth cannot be gathered from common rumors or the revilings of enemies. But it can readily be judged that nothing would serve better to maintain the dignity of ceremonies, and to nourish reverence and pious devotion among the people than if the ceremonies were observed right ly in the churches.

DURING the process of preparation both the character and the name of the Augsburg Confession were changed. It had originally been planned as a defense of the Elector of Saxony for tolerating in his domain disgressions from the Catholic standards both



in faith and in outward church customs and ceremonies. Accordingly, the following subjects were to be treated: Human Doctrines and Ordinances, Marriage of Priests, Both Kinds, Mass, Confession, Power of Bishops, Ordination, Monastic

Vows, Invocation of the Saints, German Singing, Faith and Works, Office of the Keys, Ban, Marriage, Private Mass.

From the foregoing list it can be readily seen that our fathers at first did not plan to present a complete statement of their faith, including also such articles as were not in controversy, but only to stress abuses which had been corrected in their churches and the erroneous doctrines on which such abuses were based. Their aim was to justify the reforms introduced in Saxony, as a result of Luther's testimony in Wittenberg. Accordingly also the planned introduction to their statement stressed

the loyalty of the Elector both to the Emperor and to the Church.

What, then, brought about a change in their plans?

After arriving at Augsburg, the Lutherans heard of an essay published by Dr. John Eck of Ingolstadt, in which he had collected 404 sentences, lifted from the writings of Luther, which he branded as heretical. In a letter which Dr. Eck sent to the Emperor together with the 404 Propositions he charged Luther with every conceivable heresy. He called him the domestic enemy of the Church, who had stirred up the commotions of the Iconoclasts, of the Sacramentarians, the Anabaptists, New Epicureans, and others. When the Lutherans read this slanderous attack on Dr. Luther and the Gospel which he preached, they realize that it would not be enough merely to just their course in correcting abuses which I d crept into the church, they must do more. The most effective way of silencing false charges, they judged, would be to publish a complete, though brief, statement of the doctrine as held and taught in their churches.

Thus what had been contemplated as an Apology was transformed into a Confession. There is extant a letter from Melanchthon to Luther, dated May 11, 1530, in which he announces the proposed change. Luther, who was still under the ban of both the Pope and the Emperor, was prevented from attending the Diet at Augsburg in person. He remained in the Ebernburg, within easy reach from Augsburg. He was kept informed on the progress of the proceedings in Augsburg, and his advice on all important questions was sought by his friends. In the letter just referred to, Melanchthon used these words: "Our Apology is being sent to you - though it is rather a Confession. I included almost all articles of faith, because Eck published most diabolical lies against us. Against these it was my purpose to provide an antidote."

This confession of faith forms the first part of the Augsburg Confession, the twenty-one articles which we have studied so far. We saw that in each one there was a sentence or two, or even more, which mentioned by name and rejected and condemned all manner of heresies, both new and old. We sometimes may have wondered why such old heresies, long dead and forgotten in the church, should be mentioned by name and rejected. It was because Dr. Eck charged the Lutherans with having revived them. It was the aim of our fathers to show, as the opening sentence of the above-printed transition to the second part says, that our churches dissent in no article of the faith from the Church Catholic.

This fact, boldly claimed by our fathers, was recognized quite generally soon after the Confession had been read at Augsburg. Before the Diet adjourned, several cities accepted the Lutheran Confession as their own. Others joined later. Even staunch Catholics were impressed. The remark of Duke William of Bavaria is well known but will bear repeating here. When Dr. Eck assured him that it would be easy to refute the Lutherans from the Fathers, though not from the Scriptures, the Duke replied: "Then, I u derstand,

the Lutherans are sitting in the Scriptures, and we papists — beside it."

The original plan of our fathers, to discuss abuses and their reform, was not given up when it was found necessary to present a comprehensive statement of doctrine. It was merely shifted to second place, where both what has been changed, and what were the reasons why people were not compelled to observe those abuses against their conscience were presented. Note the stress on conscience. Changes were not made in haste. The people were first duly instructed out of the Word of God. Then, after their consciences had been set free from the abuses, and not till then, were the outward reforms introduced.

The second paragraph above speaks about strange slanders that were disseminated among the people. That is a common mode of procedure with men who are sponsoring a weak cause: they start a "smear campaign." did these slanders cease after the Augsburg Confession had been read. In the introduction to the Smalcald Articles, which Luther wrote more than six years after Augsburg, he relates a story thus: "There was a doctor sent here to Wittenberg from France, who said publicly before us that his king was sure, and more than sure, that among us there is no church, no magistrate, no married life, but all live promiscuously as cattle, and each one does as he pleases." Similar stories were circulated in great number before the Diet of Augsburg, intended to fill the minds of the people with prejudice against the Reformation and the Gospel.

In the third paragraph the hope is expressed that any one who will examine the Lutheran position, both in doctrine and in ceremonies, will find that it is not so intolerable as those ungodly and malicious men represent. Rather, the doctrine is in complete accord with the

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THANKSGIVING

O we Christians really need an annual Thanksgiving Day and a special proclamator from our government to remind us of our try to give thanks to our God? The basic ement in our life of sanctification is gratitude. It we do, whether we eat or drink or whatever we do, we do all to the glory of our od. So it is, or at least, so it should be mong Christians.

Prayers That Please God

Christians are the only people that can roperly thank God. The thanksgiving of all thers is an abomination to Him? Why? re they not sincere in their thanksgiving? ome people, indeed, may observe the annual hanksgiving Day in such a way that even en of this world will denounce it as a disrace. But let us forget about these people or the moment. There are among nonhristians devout people who are very religious nd are altogether sincere in their thanksgivng. And yet, God detests their thanksgiving. Vhy? Do they perhaps not offer enough of neir possessions for the poor? We must admit nat some unbelievers put Christians to shame vith their liberal contributions toward relief ork. They do not give miserly, niggardly, as ome Christians do. Yet God is not pleased vith their thank offering.

Only a Christian can render to God an acceptble thanks, because a Christian, to borrow an xpression from St. Paul, starts out by first riving himself to God (2 Cor. 8, 5). Chrisians recognize that, since Christ died for hem, they must henceforth not live unto themelves, but to Him which died for them and ose again (2 Cor. 5, 15). Unbelievers do not cknowledge this condition. By their very unbelief they refuse to give themselves over to Christ. They insist on maintaining a degree of ndependence for themselves. They acknowldge that they are under some obligation to God and Christ, but they refuse to surrender enirely to Him. And since they thus try to give thanks to God as independents — as God expressed it in the case of Adam, "Behold, the man is become as one of us" — therefore, no matter how devout they may be and sincere in their thanksgiving, no matter how liberal may be their thank offering, God cannot be pleased with it.

The Example of Israel

But also the thanksgiving of Christians is often marred to such an extent that God will express His sore displeasure. In the farewell song which Moses sang to the Children of Israel on the borders of Canaan, he used these harsh words: "Do ye thus requite the Lord, O foolish people and unwise? Is not he thy father that hath bought thee? Hath not be made thee and established thee?" (Deut. 32, 6). He complains that Israel did not live up to God's expectations, that it did not "requite" Him properly for His benefits.

Remember what God had done for Israel of Moses' time. Think of the condition in which He found the people. They were not only held in severe and shameful servitude by the

Egyptians, they were persecuted, their newborn sons were killed without mercy. The people were marked for extermination. Think of their spiritual condition. They had practically given up all hope,, they had resigned themselves to their fate, they were on the verge of despair. They thought that God had forgotten them and the great promises He had given to their fathers; that all their crying and prayers fell on deaf ears. - Then think of the wonderful and awe-inspiring help God granted to this down-trodden people; how He with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm showed Himself as their God and as the enemy of their enemies. He led them out of Egypt through the midst of the Red Sea as on dry land, while the pursuing mies of Pharaoh were swallowed up by the surging waters. He provided a table for them in the barren wilderness. He gave them victory over mighty enemies. He brought them to the borders of the promised land. - And how richly had He blessed them spiritually! He made a covenant with them. He proclaimed His holy will in the Law. He arranged for them a rich and meaningful order of temple service, a priesthood, a system of sacrifices, the Sabbath Day and Sabbatical years culminating in the great Jubilee Year.

God's Gracious Purpose

What was God's purpose in all this? He was training the people to put their implicit trust in Him and His salvation. He was teaching them to evaluate properly earthly treasures and heavenly treasures, so that they would understand that earthly things are nothing when compared with the heavenly, yes, earthly suffering is to be preferred if it is coupled with a promise of the heavenly treasures. He was building them up to an appreciation of and a lively joy in heavenly things. All this not only for their own benefit, but for the benefit of the world. He was training Israel to serve as the torchbearer of His promise, so that through them might be fulfilled what He had spoken to Abraham: "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." From Israel should radiate the light of hope into the sin-darkened world. God Himself said: "The Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself . . . because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers" (Deut. 7, 6.7.).

Israel disappointed the Lord in this. Moses complains: "Do ye thus requite the Lord, O foolish people and unwise?" In this same song he explains: "Thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness — then he forsook God which made him. . . They provoked him to jealousy with strange gods. . . . Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee" (vv. 15-18).

What About the Spirit of Our Thanksgiving?

Do we thank God properly? Or do we give Him couse to complain about us as He did

about Israel? As Israel was blessed by God among the nations of the world, so are we Christians, particularly we Lutherans. Need this be pointed out in detail? — But how do we "requite" the Lord?

The Lord may rightly expect of us that we cherish the Gospel. Do we show in our life and conduct that the Gospel is the most precious possession we have? The Gospel set us free from the guilt and dominion of sin. Why, then, do we not show a deeper loathing for sin in the way we talk and act? Can the world, from the way we talk and act, estimate how happy we are to be rid of sin? Do we not often seem to take sin lightly? Do we not frequently toy with sin in thought, in word, and even in deed? It cost our God His only-begotten Son to redeem us from sin. Do we properly "requite" Him?

Cheerful Under the Cross

Compared with the Gospel of forgiveness the greatest treasures of this world are as nothing, and so the sufferings of this time are as nothing. Do we always show ourselves cheerful when called upon to take up our cross, cheerful in view of the Gospel treasure which we possess? This is something the Lord can rightly expect of us, and something the true Christians of all ages manifested. Let us battle more earnestly against our flesh which makes us unwilling to bear our cross. - And what about the treasures of this life, riches, pleasures, honor, power? Do we not often give the impression as though we were more interested in them than in the Gospel? Israel followed after "strange gods"; do we give God cause to raise a similar complaint against us?

God Seeks Fruit

God gave us the light of the Gospel, not only that our own hearts should be filled with its joy, but that we might dispel the darkness of this world with the brightness of its radiance. Do we live up to God's expectation? What do we do in order that our own children after us may remain in full possession of the Gospel blessings? What do we do for our Christian parochial schools? How do we take care of our children during their high school years? - What do we do about missions? home missions? inner missions? foreign missions? - What do we do about our synodical institutions which are preparing future teachers for our schools, future pastors for our churches, future missionaries? Only a few years separate our Synod from its centennial. Let the thought of this coming celebration add to our gratitude and stimulate our gratitude to greater activity as opportunity offers itself.

It is a serious matter when God's people give Him cause to complain: "Do ye thus requite the Lord?" Let us repent from our heart of our past shortcomings, and bring forth fruit meet for repentance.

J. P. M.

THANKSGIVING AND CHARITY

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We Are God's Stewards

THANKSGIVING and charity belong together. The Holy Bible takes the combination of these two for granted in the true child of God. Inasmuch as this world is but our temporary residence, all that we have in this life we hold not in permanent ownership, but in transient stewardship. Our attitude toward material things as well as our use of them during our life-time, therefore, ought to reflect our appreciation to God for His trust and our willingness to discharge it, as He suggests. He has left us great freedom of action as His children, committing and commending the spiritual and physical care of our fellowmen entirely to our charity.

Gratitude Through Christian Love

The special observance of a Day of Thanksgiving ought to serve to emphasize this attitude of showing true gratitude through Christian love.

Measured against this Scriptural standard, how little of the observance of Thanksgiving actually deserves to be so called. Much of it is in direct contradiction to the true purpose and character of such a celebration. Too often the holiday is but the pretext and justification for inordinate eating and drinking. It is a sad reflection, indeed, on the state of Christian knowledge and spirituality, when such an attitude is found also among those who consider themselves children of God in Christ.

"Such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly," says St. Paul, "they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things."

Beware of Selfishness

Whether they are outsiders or belong nominally to a Christian congregation, all those belong also to this group who permit the love and desire for money to sway their whole judgment and behavior, who, under the pretense of careful stewardship of the gifts of God, even seek to justify and defend their avarice and selfishness, their unwillingness to share with the needy and their refusal to sacrifice lavishly of their material gifts for the spiritual building of the Church. These, too, may observe the day, but they certainly celebrate no true Thanksgiving. For such as these the entire purpose of their earthly existence, the whole measure of their achievement and blessing, and the sole cause for thanksgiving lie in the progress they can register in acquiring material things for themselves. These things spell security for them; and the measure of their security is in direct proportion to the measure of the things which they have acquired. Our Lord warns also them: "Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." In the same, the twelfth chapter of St. Luke Jesus adds that the man is a fool, "that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

The Lusts of Our Day

Particularly in our day this carnal mind has gripped the living and striving of the people of our nation, and is paralyzing spiritual growth. We are the only people on earth who are becoming rich through the horrible war now While the slaughter goes on unabated, engulfing millions in misery and suffering the world over, and our own sons and brothers and fathers are imminently exposed to dreadful danger and sudden death, a great part of our populace presents a deplorable spectacle indeed. On the one hand, great masses of our people are exploiting the present situation in a mad struggle for more money, while, on the other, many have given themselves over to unparalleled sensual pleasures and excesses. God is forgotten; money and pleasure hold the day. How accurately our Lord Jesus foretells the dire danger of these last days for His own: "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that Day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them, that dwell on the face of the whole earth."

The Christians' Opportunity

In the thick of the murk and mire of all the "this-worldliness" of this last, evil age the Christian still has ample cause to lift up his heart daily in praise and thanksgiving. joy he greets the added opportunity which is given him in the annual Thanksgiving proclamation to exercise his powers in the most important function of his being, which he will still rejoice to carry on through all eternity, to sing praises to his God. His thanksgiving is not measured by his earthly condition. He knows that he has here no continuing city, and that all this world with its wealth and pleasure is but a passing fancy and a vain show. He seeks the City to come. His treasure is in Heaven. In faith he is rich and blessed beyond compare. His faith lays hold on the promises of the Word of God that through the blood of Jesus Christ his sin is covered, that he is reconciled and at peace with God, that he is indeed again a child of the heavenly Father by adoption, that in Christ all things are his and must work together for his good, until he shall inherit Heaven itself. In this confidence his heart knows nothing but gratitude, his lips speak naught but praise, and his hands move only in giving thanks through

The Christian considers the very fact of a national holiday for thanksgiving as an extraordinary and undeserved gift of God. Well he knows that, even though his government prohibited, instead of providing him with the opportunity every Sunday and on special holidays to worship his heavenly Father publicly and unafraid, he still would have no other course than to give continual thanks for His goodness.

It is as incredible as it is terrible to witness that annually millions of our countrymen who still have the name of a Christian, refuse or neglect to "enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise." Certainly the word of our Lord applies to them: "He that is of God hearth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God."

No true thanksgiving will rest content with the thought of the heart and the song of the lips; it will seek and find expression in deeds, if it is genuine. Giving thanks is acknowleding love received with love returned. Charity is this love in action. It is both love's expression and love's evidence. Without it the most beautiful word in the world is hollow mockery.

What Ye Have Done Unto My Brethren —

Now God can never himself be the direct object of our charity; we cannot give directly to Him the material tokens and expressions of our gratitude and love. God has, however, placed us into a world of men whom He has designated as the objects of our Christian love because of their spiritual and physical need. In fact, God has made the charity we show toward them to be the very criterion of our love for Him: "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up the heart of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth."

Thus, a great surge of gratitude ought to fill our churches on Thanksgiving and stir both the hearts and hands of our people to lavish sacrifices of love, for thanksgiving and charity belong together.

We Have Splendid Opportunities

"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." church affords us splendid opportunity in our institutions and missions. What would be more appropriate than to dedicate a Thanksgiving sacrifice to the Missions of our church, in the Home Mission field, the Indian or Negro Missions, the Institutional Missions? How could you better mark this day of Thanksgiving than by placing a contribution at the disposal of your church for Church Extension, so that the fund out of which new missions are begun might become large enough to satisfy all the requests that are made for new stations just at this time? Will you not break bread more happily on the Day of Thanksgiving, if you have the knowledge that, through your extradordinary sacrifice for one of our five 'educational institutions, you are helping to send another missionary out to break the Bread of Life to those who still, hunger about it? Can you and will you, this year, remember at least one of our many institutions of charity, our orphanages, our homes for the aged, and the many others? Then you will celebrate true Thanksgiving, and God will bless you from on high.

Siftings

Rallies Are Not New to us. We hear of them every day. If some one has an idea he wants to put over or a cause for which he wants followers he simply holds a rally and there cries his wares until he has the gathering shouting what he wants them to shout and believe. The trouble with such rallies is that they wear off. When the enthusiasm of the moment is over and the cheering and the acclaim of the crowd is but a memory the cause is also forgotten. A thing must have roots if it should grow, and to grow strong, vigorous roots takes much tending and time. We are hearing of "Evangelistic Youth Rallies" everywhere. People who sponsor them are enthusiastic about them. They tell of 25,000, 30,000, etc., youths who gathered here or there for an evangelistic rally. In Chicago 28,000 youths answered the call of leaders for such a rally. Noted men of the nation and the churches addressed these young people. Let as not think that it is a difficult thing to induce young men and women to gather for such a convocation. A few enthusiastic leaders who will fire the enthusiasm of the young people with questionable methods and inducements will do it. Now they are planning a very special meeting in New York at Madison Square Garden this fall. They will have a arge crowd, no doubt. We must not let such demonstrations confuse us. The quiet, laborious, patient teaching at home, in school and n church, a thorough indoctrination — it may ake years of effort — is still the only way for asting results.

The Most Infamous and impious slander and columny ever to come to our attention we read in the November issue of Time, a well known weekly magazine published in New York. Time lifted it from the Churchman also published in New York. In this article, written by Dean Inge one time Dean of St. Paul's, London, he dared to say, "I am more and more convinced that the worst evil genius of that country (Germany) is not Hitler or Bismark or Frederick the Great, but Martin Luther." He said much more but this is enough to give you the trend of Dean Inge's short article. Luther is called "the worst evil genius." And that man, Dean Inge, had to ive to reach the age of some eighty years pefore he wrote such a blasphemous invective against a man who has been blessed by Chrisian and non-Christian, by men and women, from pulpits and platformed as the great emancipator for more than 400 years. That nan, at the age of 84 years had to perpetrate his unholy assault on Luther. Perhaps he is n his dotage, is senile and mentally beyond accountability, but how much better that man nad died before he made this godless charge. s this the way men are trying to foster "good vill" among the nations, by digging up names of the honorable dead and trying to discredit hem in the darkness of bestial hate? Better by far that that man had died before his lips ittered those words. Honest men the world. over will disavow him.

BY THE EDITOR

Detroit Has Opened a Lutheran high school. We are glad to get this information. The Lutheran churches in and about this great city have decided that the time to open a high school of their own is now and they did it. The school opened with a surprisingly large enrollment. We wish the Lutheran high school in Detroit God's blessing. Other cities are formulating plans to open Lutheran high schools in their communities. The lack of help at the present time and priorities are bothering them.

Universal Military Service after the war is a subject now in hot debate everywhere. Bills have already been drawn up and introduced in Congress which if accepted would mean compulsory military training for every boy as soon as he completes high school. Many churches and also the National Educational Association are strenuously opposed to this plan "until the postwar national situation is clarified. It seems to us extremely unwise and even dangerous to commit the nation to such a revolutionary change in fundamental national policy." One church body is opposed to compulsory military training because "at the most critical time of their lives they would be denied the moral and spiritual environment of school and church and family."

The Matter Of Pulpit and altar fellowship between the United Lutheran Church and the American Lutheran Church was discussed at the annual meeting of the American Lutheran Church meeting in Sandusky, Ohio, recently. The matter was not settled on the floor of the convention as some had hoped. Rather it was referrd to the districts of the church for future discussion.

Block Wardens. We take the following from the Lutheran. "Roman Catholics in the large cities should be appointed to supply moral and spiritual influence for their non-Catholic neighbors, proposed the Most Rev. John F. Noll at the National Council of Catholic Women convention in Toledo last month. Non-Catholics 'need to be instructed in the fundamentals of religion and of the moral code,' said Bishop Noll. 'Catholics are the only one capable of so instructing them, because they alone have the whole truth, and because no other religion than theirs even claims to be absolutely certain of the correctness of its teaching.' According to the block-warden plan two or three Roman Catholic families in each block would give their neighbor helpful pamphlets each month, would write to editors who offend against decency, and would 'register resentment against things sold in their neighborhood drug store'.' That's a real mouth full.

STUDIES IN THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION

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Scriptures and with the teaching of the early church; and the ceremonies have merely been purified of superstitious incrustations that had collected on them in the course of years.

The paragraph closes with a very important observation. The underlying thought is that ceremonies have no independent value. They are to be observed not for their own sake. Many people may, indeed, be induced by the prettiness of a ceremony to copy it. But that is not a sufficient reason, neither for retaining some old ceremony, nor for introducing a new one. All ceremonies are merely outward modes for performing the various parts of our public divine services. If a ceremony suits the Gospel or a certain aspect of the Gospel in some specific part of our service, then it is appropriate. But if it is meaningless, not expressive of any truth of the Gospel, then it has no place in the service, no matter how pretty it may be. Or if the original meaning has been lost in the course of the years and is no longer understood by the people, then such a ceremony becomes a dead weight. People will go through with it, seeing it is the custom, but since they do not feel its meaning, their heart is not in it, and the result will be increased externalism. — But if a ceremony should even be adapted to some error and be expressive of it, then it will do positive harm.

If ceremonies are observed rightly in the churches, this will tend to maintain their dignity, and will nourish reverence and pious devotion among the people.

DEBT RETIREMENT

The Debt Retirement Committee can now report that it has finished its work. The General Treasurer has announced that the \$45,000 advanced by the budgetary in 1943 to pay off the remaining notes has been restored.

The debt figure stood at \$640,000 when the committee took over in 1935. During the nine years since that time congregations, groups, and individuals have remitted a total of \$434,710.52 to the special committee. The remainder of the debt was retired through budgetary receipts and the returns of loans to the Church Extension division.

Any belated returns that may still be forthcoming will be absorbed by the Church Extension Fund.

A detailed report on the participation of the congregations is being prepared for distribution to the eight districts.

The Debt Retirement Committee.

THE END OF THE CHURCH YEAR

Why A Church Year?

W ITH today's Sunday another church year is coming to its close. Next Sunday will be the first in Advent, thus opening a new

church year.

Measured by purely secular standards, the standards of time which count days, and months, and years, the ending church year brought us just so much nearer to eternity. But it is not the purpose of the church year to measure fleeting time. If that were the chief reason, or a reason in any sense whatever, for marking off a church year, it would be a needless waste of effort. Our arrangement of a secular year with a secular calendar answers that purpose sufficiently. Simply adding the division of time into church years to that of ordinary years would be a duplication leading to confusion. The purpose of the church year arrangement is different.

We certainly stand nearer the threshold of eternity today than we did a year ago. Are we also so much better prepared to cross that threshold? Did the passing church year bring

us closer to our God?

God Provided Grace

God certainly in His grace provided all that was necessary to prepare us. Just think what the two major divisions of the church year meant for us. The festival half, with its high spots at Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, brought to our hearts the love of the Father, the triumphant meekness of the Son, the tireless nursing of the Spirit. Look at your calendar. There were, besides the weekday festivals, ten Sundays from the third Advent Sunday till the fourth after Epiphany. Then, after the three Sundays Septuagesima, Sexagesima, Quinquagesima, there were Holy Week and Easter with six Sundays of Lent preceding and five Sundays following, a total of twelve Sundays. Lastly there was the brief Pentecost cycle, beginning with Ascension and ending on Trinity Sunday, three Sundays.

Surely, in this great festival half of the past church year we saw the Sun of righteousness rising in all His glory with healing in His wings. We were made to feel the healing rays warming and reviving our cold, dead

hearts.

While the first half was marked by three great festivals, the second, without any festivals, glided along in a quiet, even flow.

There the inner life of the Christian was developed and nurtured in its various aspects: the invitation to come to God was stressed, repentance was preached, faith was nourished, the new life of sanctification was cultivated, and hope in our final salvation and triumph was stimulated. Rich grace of God was flowing into our hearts, shaping, sustaining, invigorating our new spiritual life. The work of God may not have been going on in such a spectacular fashion as in the first half, but more quietly; yet being therefore not any less effective.

Did We Respond?

The church year, as just outlined briefly, is now drawing to its close, and the question arises: Did it bring us nearer to our God? God on His part did everything that was necessary for our spiritual well-being — but how did we respond? Did we perhaps, contrary to St. Paul's warning, "receive the grace of God in vain?" There are several ways in which that could happen.

One would be if we stayed away — without urgent need — from the divine services that were conducted in our home church. If we do not come to the house of our God to hear His message of salvation, if we do not unite with the church in confessing our faith, if we do not join in praying for the Holy Ghost and in praising God for His manifold blessings, then, naturally, we are not benefited by the church year. But we have no one to blame for it but ourselves. A rich table was set before us, but we refused to eat.

A second way of wasting a church year and not an uncommon one - would be if we go to church regularly, partake in the services which our home congregation arranges, enjoy the sermon and the singing, but then forget what it was all about. The purpose of the various services of the church year is to refresh our inner life. There is the cross to bear, and we need courage to take it up. There are fierce battles to fight against the temptations of the devil, the world, and our own flesh, and we need the armor, the training, the strength to meet these enemies in battle. There are the many good works of love to be done toward God and toward our neighbor, in thought, in word, in deed, and we need the humility, the meekness, the patience to practice them. All our wants are supplied in the services of the church year. But if we merely enjoy these services, and our inner life is not enriched by them, then again we waste the opportunities God offers to us in the church year.

Another way of receiving the grace of God in vain would be, if we attended the divineservices in the spirit of thereby doing a meritorious work. God commands us to come and hear. We did come and hear. Now God owes us a reward. - Does He? The devil tempts us with such an abuse of divine services, particularly of the Lord's Supper. If he can induce us to look upon our Communing as a good work by which we merit the favor of God, then he does not mind how often we take Communion. He knows that then we shall be receiving the grace of God in vain. Christ instituted His Supper as a means for assuring our faith in the forgiveness of our sins. If we change it into a service which we render to Christ, and for which we expect a reward, then we have perverted its very

Other ways of receiving the grace of God in vain might be mentioned, but let these suffice to point the danger.

Let Us Examine Ourselves

The closing church year urges the question on us, Did we make proper use of the opportunities God offered to us? And if we must plead guilty that we did not fully avail ourselves of the rich chances to grow spiritually, so that today we do not stand before God more mature, nearer to the perfect man according to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ, than we did at the beginning of the church year, then it behooves us to repent of our neglect and to ask for mercy, "God be merciful to me, a sinner." And God, who is rich in mercy beyond measure, will not withhold. His pardoning grace from us.

Let us also firmly resolve, with the help of the Holy Ghost, that in the new church year we will not repeat the sins of the past. Rather, we will ourselves diligently use the means of grace, for our own edification, and will in gratitude to our God lead as many of our fellow men as we can reach to partake of the life giving power of the Gospel with

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WISCONSIN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

BY R. C. JACOBS, FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN

THE Wisconsin State Teachers' Conference held its seventy-third annual convention on November 2 and 3 at Grace Lutheran Church, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Rev. E. Benj. Schlueter, pastor. In spite of restricted travel due to wartime conditions few teachers were absent, and a cordial spirit pervading the entire gathering promoted a fitting atmosphere for study and mutual encouragement in the important work of spreading the Word of God through our Christian day schools.

The sessions were opened on Thursday morning at nine o'clock with services in Grace Church. The local pastor conducted the altar service, and Prof. Carl Lawrenz of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Thiensville preached a fitting sermon based on John 8, 31-32. The first essay on the morning program was "Why a Christian Teacher in a Christian Day School for My Child" by Prof. F. Blume of Northwestern College in Watertown. Mr. M. Dommer of Algoma then read

his essay "How to Cope with Individual Differences in Pupils." During the afternoon sessions the local principal, Mr. M. Zahn, delivered his paper "Civics in the Grades," and Miss Ruth Nommensen of Columbus read her essay "The Value of a Kindergarten for Our Schools." Following the Thursday sessions Mr. R. C. Jacobs of Fond du Lac led the conference choir in a rehearsal during which an anthem was prepared for the evening conference services. At these services the Rev. Dr.

Koch of Manitowoc preached the sermon, and Mr. E. Arndt of Milwaukee served as guest rganist.

During the sessions on Friday morning Prof. R. Jahnke of Dr. Martin Luther College at New Ulm, Minnesota, read his essay "The Glacial Period." Our school superintendent, Mr. F. Meyer of Milwaukee, then addressed the conference concerning matters of importance in connection with the work of his office. Ouring the afternoon sessions the Rev. Dr. A. Klinck of Concordia College, River Forest, Illinois, lectured on the topic "Biblical Antiquities." His lecture was made doubly interesting by a display of figures which he had carved to show the appearance, dress, customs, and

life of the people in Biblical history. After the conclusion of the business meeting the conference was brought to a fitting close with an address by Rev. Th. Mahnke of Madison, on the theme "The Blessings of a Christian Day School."

Mr. E. Arndt of Milwaukee and Mr. K. Oswald of Watertown were elected as members of the program committee at this conference. Since no other elections were held this year, all other officers remain the same. Among other items of business of note was a report of the jubilee committee. They reported that since our conference will hold its seventy-fifth convention in 1946, the Diamond Jubilee will be celebrated in special anniver-

sary services to be held on Wednesday afternoon preceding the usual two days of conference in that year. Special choirs of teachers and children will be organized to sing at these services. A banquet will also be held that evening. A jubilee booklet containing the history of the conference together with other items of interest and pictures will be published for this occasion. Invitations will be sent to all former members of the conference both in our synod and those now serving our sister synods

Again another conference closed, and the teachers returned to their schools once more refreshed with the water from God's own inexhaustible springs to carry on their work with ever more zeal.

MICHIGAN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

BY V. J. SCHULZ, LANSING, MICHIGAN

St. John's Is School Minded

MUCH of my work is done right over here — in our Christian day school," hus spoke the Rev. A. Westendorf of Bay City when pastors and teachers met in his parish for their annual meeting. Yes, the pastor, the principal, the teachers, and the PEOPLE are enthusiastic for a thorough mowledge of and training in Christian region. Proof for this is evidenced in their tonversation and see St. John's school in action.

We have all discovered that enthusiasm begets enthusiasm. Every lesson that was taught and each essay that was read increased our interest of and our enthusiasm for an instiution through which God has blessed our autheran church so richly.

Pastor G. Press left his parish to teach a esson on: "Christ, our Great High Priest." He carefully traced the office of priest and high priest and then planted deeply into the nearts and minds of the pupils what Christ, he true High Priest had done and is doing for them.

Hymn Study

Another study in religion was a hymn study. Feacher V. Gerlach selected a hymn depicting sin and grace. He used the story of the Pharisee and the Publican to supply a background. He then demonstrated that we "daily sin much" and that we are in need of God's mercy. The children's answers indicated that with a knowledge of God's mercy they could confidently approach "the throne of grace" and seek forgiveness. There was joy in the hearts of those little ones because they knew they are sinners and could rejoice in Christ as their Savior from sin.

Singing In Our Schools

Teacher M. Roehler's lesson was on "Beginning Singing." Any parent that might have observed this lesson would thank God that our children learn to sing with understanding, devotion, and beauty of tone. In a world filled with cheap and bad music it is a treat to hear our children sing: "We All Believe In One True God." That alone should "sell our schools."

More Students Needed

Our veteran chairman, A. Wandersee's report gives the Michigan District much reason for rejoicing. By the grace of God and the diligent work on the part of the missionary, Rev. Scheele, Mission Board, and School Board, new schools could be opened and additional teachers called. Truly, "the



fields are white unto harvest." The paramount need of the hour is — men, and more men. With an increase of almost ONE HUNDRED pupils in our Michigan District schools alone this need becomes more apparent. Consecrated boys and girls are wanted right now. Our colleges must be filled. GOD WOULD HAVE US TO REAP A RICH HARVEST IN HIS NAME. He has opened the doors and is opening them! Who will prepare himself to enter and possess?

The father of W. Stindt, Prof. Stindt, made an ardent plea in the same direction. By means of figures and comparisons he pictured the urgency of enrolling more students.

The Work of Boards

Prof. Stindt also read a paper on the history and work of Boards in our Synod, districts, and congregations. His purpose was to show what was done with a view of increasing efficiency. He bespoke closer co-operation

between the different Boards. By retracing the past he prognosticated a possible future.

Ordination and Installation

Prof. Franzmann discussed the problem of installation of lady-teachers. He pointed out that ordination and installation are identical in the Lutheran church with this difference: "The first induction into office in a Christian congregation of pastors and teachers is ordination. After that it is and should be termed installation. In the Catholic church ordination is a sacrament. We must guard against this false doctrine."

Prof. Franzmann maintained that if lady teachers have been found "apt to teach" the same procedure should be followed with the ladies as with the men teachers.

Prof. Franzmann also pointed out that any difference in the service of pastors and teachers is not wrought by ordination or installation but rather by the CALL. He asked us all to become more faithful in the ministry which he defined as SERVICE. In other words he admonished us to be much concerned about the service for which we were called.

Divine Service

The Rev. E. Hoenecke, an officer of our district, announced that a Christian day school will be established in his church soon. *Plans for building are already under way.

In his God-given manner he preached a powerful sermon on: "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." He maintained that the founding of our schools has a Scriptural basis; the mode of conducting them has a Scriptural basis; and the fruits sought in our schools have Scriptural basis. Here, then, was a sermon that found all its thoughts directly in the text. Every word and every sentence built up the theme in a logical order. This made the following of the sermon easy.

The local choir under the direction of W. Stindt and the teachers' under the direction of the writer edified the audience and glorified God by singing "spiritual songs."

The Northwestern Lutheran

Secular Subjects

Our pastors and teachers seek efficiency not only in the religious but also in the secular subjects. Methods have a definite place in our school system. Teacher R. Bode showed us how to use maps effectively in the teaching of "The Importance of the Soo Canal." How important it is that our schools and our colleges be equipped with necessary equipments. Our teachers and professors know how to use them, but we must make sure that they are available for use. — Miss E. Zimmermann gave a demonstration lesson in the teaching

of reading by means of phonics. Perhaps parents little realize how much preparation goes into a lesson. Here the teacher had prepared some interesting mimeographed material.

Miss C. Reier's, A. Janz's, W. Stindt's, and Miss Kuske's paper gave evidence of thoroughness in school work in the following subjects: spelling, composition, arithmetic. We mean business when we teach the ONE THING NEEDFUL, but these teachers also proved that we are about our business in secular subjects.

Our program kept us busy during the day

and part of the evening. It would be amiss not to record that we thoroughly enjoyed the leisure moments which were packed with so many good things in such liberal fashion by the ladies of St. John's and the pastor and teachers of said congregation.

After the disciples worked for some time they conferred together with their Master. In our conference we follow a similar program. Surely, then you pastor and teacher are better servants because he attends conferences.

Albert Wandersee, Chairman.

V. J. SCHULTZ, Reporter.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

DR. MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE
New Ulm, Minnesota

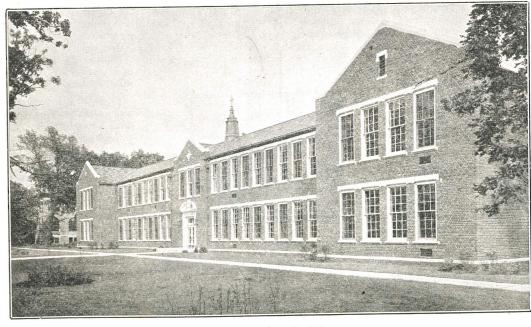
S UNDAY, October 22, was an unusual day here at New Ulm, not only because it was a day clear and warm, but especially because it marked the observance of the sixtieth anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther College. Both the forenoon and the afternoon brought large numbers to our auditorium, so that in each instance our spacious hall was quite well filled with worshipers from far and near.

Marxhausen of Courtland, Minnesota, a former student and now pastor of a Missouri Synod congregation. His text was Ps. 50, 14-15: "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: and call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me."

In the afternoon service, at 2:45, Professor A. Schaller of our seminary in Thiensville

The services were simple, but impressive. All of the speakers made us conscious of the mighty grace of God that Dr. Martin Luther College has experienced and of the work that the Lord has permitted this school to carry on in His name: the training of teachers and pastors for His Church.

This school was dedicated on November 9, 1884. Besides the theological, the institution



Administration Building

The morning service began at 10:30. Professor G. Burk, who was the only duly called professor when this school opened sixty years ago, functioned as the organist. Pastor A. Ackermann of Mankato, the president of the Minnesota District of our Synod and formerly the Director of Dr. Martin Luther College, preached the English sermon. He chose as his text 1 Sam. 7, 12: "Then Samuel took a stone, and set it between Mispeh and Shen, and called the name of it Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." He was followed, in the German language, by Pastor E. J.

spoke on the words: "I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it; for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name" (Rev. 3, 8). Greetings from sister institutions and from individuals were read. Dr. S. C. Ylvisaker personally spoke for Bethany College, Mr. A. C. Stellhorn for the Board for Parish Education of the Missouri Synod, Professor Wm. Dobberfuhl for Concordia College, St. Paul, and Mr. Wm. Prahl for the Wisconsin State Teachers' Conference.

provided for a normal, a classical and an academic training. Since 1893 it has been the Teachers' College of our Synod, to this day, however, also preparing prospective pastors for the college department of Northwestern at Watertown, Wisconsin. Many hundreds have attended here during these sixty years; hundreds are at present either teachers or pastors; hundreds are members of congregations of the Synodical Conference. Doubtless, all join us in voicing genuine praise to God for His great goodness toward us and in praying for His wise counsel and blessing for the future.

INSTALLATION AT THE SEMINARY

The installation of the newly called professor, Carl J. Lawrence, was so timed that many of the pastors of our synod who had assembled in Milwaukee to attend the meetings of the General Committee held at St. John's school could be present. Professor Lawrence was installed on October 19 in the evening at 7:30. Professor Lawrence is a graduate of our schools. After completing the college course at Watertown in 1929 he entered our Seminary and was graduated from this school in 1930. In the fall of that year he entered the holy ministry in which he served for fourteen years as pastor of the congregation at North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.



The installation service was in charge of the president of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary at Thiensville, Pastor G. Bergemann. The sermon was based on Corinthians 15, 1-4. In this short text the postle summarizes, as it were, the contents of he great Gospel which faithful ministers are o preach for the salvation of souls. Sucfinctly stated by Paul it reads thus: Christ died according to the Scriptures; He was buried; He arose again on the third day according to he Scriptures. To preach and teach this great entral truth of the Bible is God's charge to aithful ministers and professors.

The service was conducted in the presence of a large audience. The seminary chapel was vell filled. The student chorus under the diection of Mr. Emanuel Arndt, teacher at Christ Church, Milwaukee, sang two special numbers and sang them well.

We wish our newly installed professor God's ichest blessings for the performance of his lifficult work. May God's Spirit endow him vith the necessary wisdom and patience.

W. J. S.

ANNIVERSARIES

CHURCH DEDICATION GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Geneva, Nebraska

By the richness of God's grace, the mempers of Grace Church of Geneva, Nebraska, were permitted to fulfill a long-felt need and desire to remodel their House of God. When the building, which had been a Baptist Church, was purchased in 1927 its style of architecture had not been changed. For many years the desire to remodel the building to conform to the Lutheran style of architecture was present among the members, but the means were lack-However, this summer the desire grew and the means were present. Thus they began to remodel the church to give it a strictly Lutheran appearance; also refurnished it with new chancel furniture, and completely refinished the interior of the building.

On October 29 this remodeled, refurnished and refinished church building was dedicated in a special service in which Pastor E. J. Hahn, chairman of the Nebraska District Mission Board, addressed a capacity crowd on the Psalmist's well-known words: "Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house and the place where thine honor dwelleth."

The congregation was organized August 7, 1927, with nine voting members. Two pastors have served the congregation: Pastor Herman Kuckhahn 1927—1929, and Pastor Roy Vollmers 1929—1941. The undersigned has been serving the congregation since June, 1942.

The congregation numbers approximately 170 souls, 100 communicants, and 25 voting mem-E. A. Breiling.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY TEACHER E. W. SCHUMACHER

In a special evening service on the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 17, St. Paul's Congregation at Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of Teacher E. W. Schumacher as Christian day school teacher. The celebration was a complete surprise to the jubilarian. Gifts were presented by the congregation, the mixed choir, the Ladies' society, and the pupils of St. Paul's Christian day school. Of special interest to the jubilarian were the letters of congratulation, sent by men in the armed forces, stationed in different parts of the world, who had been pupils of the jubilarian. The sermon, preached by the undersigned, was based on Mark 4, 26 and 27. After the service refreshments were served in the school basement.

Mr. Schumacher's first field of labor was St. Andre's Congregation in Buffalo. He has been with St. Paul's Congregation at Fort Atkinson since 1920, serving in the capacity of principal of the congregation's Christian day school, now for a period of twenty-four years.

May God continue to bless the jubilarian's work upon the hearts of the blood-bought children, committed to his charge.

H. GIESCHEN.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPOINTMENTS

The vacancy created in the Mission Board of the Southeast Wisconsin District by the transfer of Pastor S. Westendorf to the Michigan District has been filled by the appointment of Pastor O. B. Nommensen, South Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Arthur P. Voss, President, Southeast Wisconsin District.

Pastor Arthur Halboth has been appointed as Visitor of the Milwaukee City Conference, South Side Circuit, in place of Pastor S. Westendorf.

Arthur P. Voss, President, Southeast Wisconsin District.

Pastor Arthur W. Fuerstenau has been appointed as Visiting Elder of the Redwood Falls, Minnesota, Circuit.

A. Ackermann, President.

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE OF THE WEST WISCONSIN DISTRICT

The Southwestern Conference of the West Wisconsin District will meet at St. Jacobi's Church in Norwalk, Wisconsin, on December 5, 1944, at 9:30 A. M. The Rev. R. C. Hillemann, pastor. Essays: Homiletical Treatise on the Gospel Les-

Essays: Homiletical Treatise on the Gosper Lesson for the Sunday after Conference, December 5, L. Witte; Exegesis on 2 Tim. 1, G. Geiger; Attributes of the Bible, A. Winter; What Does Scripture Teach of the Antichrist, H. Schaller; Millennium, Pre-millennium, Post-millennium, O. Kuehl; Child Delinquency and Its Only Cure, Phil. Leh-

Confessional Service: R. C. Hillemann.

E. Toepel, Sec'y.

MANKATO CIRCUIT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Mankato Pastoral Conference will meet in North Mankato, December 7, 9:30 A. M., St. Paul's Lutheran Church, R. Haase, pastor. Confessional Address: A. Ackermann (E. Birk-

Exegesis: H. Schaller.

Practical Report: Brandes.

M. C. Birkholz, Sec'y.

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

Authorized by President Arthur Voss, the undersigned installed Herman Fehlauer as teacher of St. Markus School of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on Sunday, October 1, 1944. May the Lord bless our brother's labors in his new field.

Address: Mr. Herman Fehlauer, 3240 North 15th Street, Milwaukee 6, Wisconsin. E. Ph. Dornfeld.

* Authorized by the President of the Minnesota District, Pastor A. Ackermann, the undersigned installed Pastor Karlheinz Neumann as pastor of Bethany Congregation, Emmet Township, Renville County, Minnesota, on Sunday morning, October 30

tober 29. Address: Rev. Karlheinz Neumann, Renville,
4, Minnesota.

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On the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity I installed Pastor W. F. Wichmann in the St. Paul's Church at North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The assistants were the Pastors W. Pless, G. E. Bergemann, E. Behm, W. Wojahn, J. Schultz, and G. Pieper. God bless the shepherd.

Address: W. F. Wichmann, 607 Illinois Avenue, North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

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F. M. Brandt.

Authorized by President E. Behm of the North Wisconsin District, the undersigned installed Pastor Armin Engel as pastor of the Zion Ev. Luth. Church at Readfield, Wisconsin, on October 29. May the Lord bless his work among his flock.

Address: Rev. Armin Engel, Box 22, R. R. 2, Larsen, Wisconsin.

Authorized by President W. T. Meier of the Dakota-Montana District, the undersigned, on October 22, 1944, installed the Rev. R A. Kettenacker as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Tappen, North Dakota. Pastor G. J. Ehlert assisted. E. H. Krueger.

Authorized by President H. C. Kirchner of the Western Wisconsin District, the Rev. F. C. Uetzmann was installed as pastor of St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran Church, Town Lebanon, Wisconsin, by the undersigned on November 5, 1944. Pastors I. G. Uetzmann and Norbert E. Paustian assisted at the installation.

Address: Rev. F. C. Uetzmann, Ixonia, R. 1, Wisconsin. Theo. Eggers. * * *

Authorized by President E. Behm of the North Authorized by President E. Bellin of the North Wisconsin District, the undersigned, with the assistance of Pastors Alfons J. Engel and Irwin J. Habeck, installed the Rev. Armin L. Engel as pastor of St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Congregation of the Township of Winchester on October 29, 1944, the twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

Address: Rev. Armin L. Engel, Rural Route 1, Larsen, Wisconsin. Adalbert F. W. Geiger.

Authorized by President A. Ackermann of the Minnesota District the undersigned installed Pastor F. E. Traub as pastor of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church of Le Sueur, Minnesota, and as Institutional Missionary for the State Hospital at St. Peter, Minnesota, on the twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. Pastor Waldemar Schuetze assisted. May the Lord richly bless his work in this new field.

Oscar J. Naumann. this new field.

Authorized by President H. C. Kirchner of the Western Wisconsin District, the undersigned installed Adolph Wilbrecht as teacher of Our Savior's Ev. Lutheran School, Wausau, Wisconsin, on October 29,1944. May the Lord bless his work among our children!

Address: Mr. Adolph Wilbrecht, 1939,944, Account

Address: Mr. Adolph Wilbrecht, 1238 8th Avenue South, Wausau, Wisconsin. Lyle Koenig.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks for gifts received by our Home for the Aged since March 15 from the following:

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Minnesota: Mrs. Ella Barker, New Ulm; Mrs. Aug. Lohmann, Zumbrota; Miss Anna Polansky, Jordan; Pastor E. G. Fritz, Fairfax; Sewing Circle, St. Clair; Mrs. J. P. Miller, Minneapolis; Miss Kathryn Turnblom, Belle Plaine; Miss Dora Kotasek, Henderson; Mrs. Wm. Haack, Winona; Mrs. Frank Bauman, Belle Plaine; Miss Anna Sielaff, Belle Plaine; Miss Mollie Klischeck, Belle Plaine; Lutheran Walther League, Cloquet; Fred Malz, Le Sueur; Mrs. G. M. Kelly, Gibbon; Miss Lenore Fischer, Sauk Rapids; Mrs. Alma Fahje, Chokio; Mrs. H. Kuhlman, Lester Prairie; Mrs. Scherf, St. Paul; P. Kuntz, Treasurer Minnesota District, Missouri Synod; Memorial Wreath for Mrs. Fred Sielaff from relatives and friends, Belle Plaine; Memorial Wreath for Albert F. Schultz from Children of Emanuel School, St. Paul; Memorial Wreath for Mrs. Eugenia Metzger from relatives and friends, St. Paul; Memorial Wreath for Gus. Shonka from friends, Jordan; Memorial Wreath for Gus. Shonka from friends, Jordan; Memorial Wreath for Mrs. Augusta Grabow by Ladies' Aid, St. Matthew's, Winona; Memorial Wreath for David Senkbell from relatives and friends, Ortonville; Memorial Wreath for Christ Schlemmer from sons and daughters, Vesta; Ladies' Aid, Jordan.

North Dakota: Mrs. Henry C. Rothgarn. Willow Ladies' Aid, Jordan.

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South Dakota: Ladies' Aid, Emanuel, Grover; Memorial Wreath for Mrs. Emilie Neuendorf from relatives and friends, South Shore.

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Wisconsin: St. Stephan's Mission Society, Beaver Dam; Mrs. J. Bartels, Marinette; Memorial Wreath for Peter Ziegler from relatives and friends, Whitehall; Memorial Wreath for Lorene Hass and Sgt. Waldemar Thurow from Miss Irene Miller and Miss Melinda Miller, Mindoro; Memorial Wreath for Frank White from friends, Stoddard; Miss Melinda Miller, Mindoro. Miss Melinda Miller, Mindoro.

Washington: Faith Lutheran Ladies' Aid, Tacoma

Nebraska: Ulysses.

Michigan: Memorial Wreath for Fred Brehmer from relatives and friends, Adrian.

L. F. Brandes, Superintendent. * * *

Mr. A. H. Koester, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, treasurer of the Wisconsin Lutheran State Teachers' Conference, sent the amount of \$25.00 for the library of Dr. Martin Luther College. This is a memorial wreath in honor of the Lutheran teachers of this conference who passed to their reward during the past year. Our thanks to all the members of the conference.

E. R. Bliefernicht, Librarian.

NOTICES

Any mission congregation desiring an altar table, baptismal font and pulpit (lectern style) including plush altar cloth and pulpit hanging, may have same for freight charges by addressing:

E. A. Breiling, 415 G Street, Geneva, Nebraska.

Any mission congregation in need of a set of altar, pulpit, lecturn hangings, may receive them free of charge by writing to this address:

Rev. G. Schaller, Route 5, Milwaukee 14, Wisconsin.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Rev. F. W. Netzmann, R. 1, Ixonia, Wisconsin. Prof. Paul J. Gieschen, 5000 Washington Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

Rev. Clayton E. Krug, 240 S. Sidney Street, Kimberly, Wisconsin.

MISSION FESTIVALS

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's Church, Prairie Falls Twp., Wis., Offering: \$421.94. Louis A. Winter, pastor. St. Paul's Church, Dallas Twp., Wisconsin, Offering: \$74.04. Louis A. Winter, pastor.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

st. Matthew's Church, Town Beaver, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$66.10. W. G. Fuhlbrigge, pastor.
Trinity Church, Lime Ridge, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$226.00. A. H. Dobberstein, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Twn. Seneca, Green Lake
County, Wisconsin,
Offering: \$53.74. Armin Engel, pastor.
Trinity Church, Red Granite, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$42.18. Armin Engel, pastor.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

Bethlehem Church, Hortonville, Wisconsin. Offering: \$534.03. Harold E. C. Wicke, pastor.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's Church, Onalaska, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$238.65. L. M. Bleichwehl, pastor.
Trinity Church, Belle Plaine, Minnesota.
Offering: \$758.87. W. Schuetze, pastor.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Emmanuel Church, Tn. Herman, Dodge Co., Wis. Offering: \$206.01. Alfred C. Schewe, pastor. Zion Church, Tn. Theresa, Dodge Co., Wisconsin. Offering: \$166.35. Alfred C. Schewe, pastor. Bethlehem Church, Hague Twp., Clark Co., South Dakota.

South Dakota.
Offering: \$163.50. B. R. Hahm, pastor.
Trinity Church, Hoskins, Nebraska.
Offering: \$260.72. R. F. Bittorf, pastor.
St. John's Church, Lomira, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$294.71. Herbert Lemke, pastor.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

st. John's Church, Fairfax, Minnesota.
Offering: \$751.60. Im. F. Albrecht, pastor.
St. John's Church, Baytown, Minnesota.
Offering: \$500.00. E. W. Penk, pastor.
Trinity Church, Coleman, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$152.52. W. G. Fuhlbrigge, pastor.
St. Bartholomew, Kasson, Wisconsin,
Offering: \$184.54. Melvin W. Croll, pastor.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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St. Matthew's Church, Town Grant, Minnesota.
Offering: \$217.75. E. W. Penk, pastor.
St. John's Church, Mukwonago, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$83.00. L. G. Lehmann, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Stevensville, Michigan.
Offering: \$780.67. Harold J. Zink, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Manchester, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$217.81. Wm. Wadzinski, pastor.
Christ Church, Eagle River, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$451.33. Jos. D. Krubsack, pastor.
Grace Church, Three Lakes, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$45.00. Jos. D. Krubsack, pastor.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

st. Paul's Church, Marquette, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$73.09. Wm. Wadzinski, pastor.
Mount Calvary Church, Kimberly, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$73.55. W. F. Wichmann, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Hurley, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$78.33. R. C. Horlamus, pastor.
Zion Church, Mercer, Wisconsin.

The Northwestern Lutheran

Offering: \$34.40. R. C. Horlamus, pastor.
Redeemer Church, White Butte, South Dakota.
Offering: \$107.85. H. E. Rutz, pastor.
St. Peter's Church, Town Greenfield, West Allis,
Wisconsin.
Offering: \$37.53. Lyle A. Hallauer, pastor.
Homehurst Church, Town Greenfield, West Allis,
Wisconsin.

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Offering: \$32.00. Lyle A. Hallauer, pastor.
The First Lutheran Church, La Crosse, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$1,804.04. Walter A. Schumann, pastor.
St. Stephen's Church, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$1,284.06. L. C. Kirst, pastor.
St. John's Church, Juneau, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$604.39. M. J. Nommensen, pastor.
St. John's Church, Riga, Michigan.
Offering: \$358.05. C. H. Schmelzer, pastor.
Emanuel Church, Town Eaton, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$89.41. A. Stuebs, pastor.
Christ Church, Brady, Michigan.
Offering: \$830.05. Roland H. Hoenecke, pastor.
St. Stephen's Church, Adrian, Michigan.
Offering: \$1,018.15. A. H. Baer, pastor.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Christ Church, Fontenoy, Wisconsin,
Offering: \$161.81. A. Stuebs, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Greenleaf, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$172.57. Melvin W. Croll, pastor.
Zion Church, Mobridge, South Dakota.
Offering: \$305.00. G. J. Schlegel, pastor.
Friedens Church, Hutchinson, Minnesota.
Offering: \$1,506.73. W. J. Schulze, pastor.
Mt. Olive Church, Detroit, Michigan.
Offering: \$213.52. Kenneth W. Vertz, pastor.
St. John's Church, Ableman, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$473.75. Arnold Schultz, pastor.
Trinity Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$473.75. Arnold Schultz, pastor.
St. John's Church, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.
Offering: \$1,150.62. W. C. Albrecht, pastor.
Zion Church, Lansing, Michigan.
Offering: \$68.31 — \$25.76 Sunday School. E. L.
Hofmann, pastor.
St. Peter's Church, Winchester Twp., Winnebago
Co., Wisconsin.
Offering: \$42.00. Armin Engel, pastor.
St. John's Church, Town Trenton, Dodge County,
Wisconsin.
Offering: \$168.00. L. C. Bernthal, pastor.
Zion Church, Readfield, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$96.16. A. F. Herzfeldt, supply pastor.
St. Matthew's Church, St. Charles, Minnesota.
Offering: \$20.00. H. Kuckhahn, pastor.
St. James Church, Evanston, Illinois.
Offering: \$39.56. H. J. Wackerfuss, pastor.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Christ Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$637.44. H. Cares, pastor.
Epiphany Church, Racine, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$256.98. Edwin Jaster, pastor.
Lutheran Church at Sturtevant, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$7.15. Edwin Jaster, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Appleton, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$1,079.54. F. M. Brandt, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$334.93. A. W. Vojet, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Saginaw, Michigan.
Offering: \$1,270.00. O. Eckert and O. J. Eckert, pastors. pastors. St. Luke's Church, Lemmon, South Dakota. Offering: \$266.54. H. E. Rutz, pastor.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Mission at Shadehill, South Dakota.
Offering: \$29.27. H. E. Rutz, pastor.
St. Luke's Church, New Lisbon, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$160.22. Albert A. Winter, pastor.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Grace Church, Le Sueur, Minnesota.
Offering: \$32.88. F. E. Traub, pastor.
Grace Church, Geneva, Nebraska.
Offering: \$367.55. E. A. Breiling, pastor.
Salem Church, Circle, Montana.
Offering: \$301.57. H. W. Bergholz, pastor.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

St. John's Church, Saginaw, Michigan. Offering: \$475.74. O. Frey, pastor.

Alvin Berg, Madison C. E. Berg, Ridgeville L. C. Bernthal, T. Trenton R. C. Biesmann, Rib Falls R. C. Biesmann, T. Rib Falls L. M. Bleichwehl, Onalaska A. H. Dobberstein, Tuckertown A. H. Dobberstein, Lime Ridge A. G. Dornfeld, Fox Lake A. C. Dornfeld, Marshfield M. F. Drews, Oak Grove F. F. Ehlert, Eltzen A. J. Engel, Pardeeville 48.05 142.45 187.85 WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT 187.85 107.27 124.24 130.50 44.35 26.27 April, May, June, 1944 Budgetary Reverend 353.23 701.45 127.00 839.94 63.88 292.00 888.45 221.45

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Otto Engel, Richwood	155.40	M. W. Wahl, Cambridge	47.12
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S. H. Fenske, Bruce	38.35 102.14	E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids W. E. Wegner, Moline	133.50 17.00
G. T. Fischer, Bloomer	321.56	W. Weissgerber, Minocqua	123.40
G. T. Fischer, Eagleton	$238.59 \\ 20.50$	W. Weissgerber, Woodruff	89.48
Gerhard Fischer, Savanna	390.88	E. H. Wendland, Washington	$25.43 \\ 521.92$
E. C. Fredrich, Helenville	314.19	A. A. Winter, New Lisbon	196.00
G. H. Geiger, Shennington	35.76 69.77	L. A. Winter, Prairie Farm L. A. Winter, T. Dallas	402.31
G. H. Geiger, T. Knapp	34.77	L. A. Witte, Kendall	103.00 181.11
Henry Geiger, T. Leeds	399,61	L. A. Witte, Dorset Ridge	35.63
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R. C. Horlamus, Hurley	109.34	Total for April, May, June, 1944 \$ 36,133.	91
R. C. Horlamus, Mercer	$26.20 \\ 61.43$	Memorial Wreaths	
A. Jungkuntz, Fort Atkinson	65.48		
Herbert Kesting, Pickwick Herbert Kesting, Minnesota City	18.50	In Memory of Reverend	Amount
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Herbert Kirchner, Baraboo	750.00	Mrs. Johnson	4.50
L. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam	973.93 1,938.29	Mrs. Henrietta Fredrich A. Berg, Sparta Minnie Pollack A. Berg, Sparta	19 00
L. J. Koenig, Wausau	100.50	Herman WelkS. H. Fenske, Bruce	14.00
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R. J. Koch, Brush Prairie	45.40	Mrs. Ottilia Schwantes	10.25
R. J. Koch, Auburn E. E. Kolander, Marathon	45.40 170.00	Donald Edwin Schultz M. J. Hillemann, Marshall Pastor E. Zaremba R. C. Hillemann, Norwalk	1 00
R. P. Korn, Lewiston	732.61	Rev. Wm. T. NaumannH. C. Kirchner, Baraboo	5.00
G. O. Krause, Little Black	$\begin{array}{c} 18.57 \\ 203.82 \end{array}$	Charles Goette	13.25
W. R. Krueger, Friesland	223.35	Frank BilkeL. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam	30.00
W. R. Krueger, Dalton	75.87 197.20	Mrs. Chas. Teich	14.00
O. P. Kuehl, Hustler	64.15	Henry C. Neubauer	12.00 21.00
O. Kuhlow, Jefferson	799.00	Rev. Max Taras	20.00
C. F. Kurzweg, Cream	$131.80 \\ 242.22$	Mrs. Wm. Frey	29.25 8.50
L. Lambert, Veefkind	75.26	Fred BrunnerG. O. Krause, Stetsonville	1.00
P. Lehmann, Ableman	228.24 319.50	Henry SchroederG. O. Krause, Stetsonville Wm. EsserG. O. Krause, Stetsonville	2.00 1.00
W. C. Limpert, Altura	278.85	Emil WaltherG. O. Krause, Stetsonville	1.00
F. W. Loeper, Whitewater	187.35 50.00	Mrs. Augusta WestphalO. Kuhlow, Jefferson Arthur KochO. Kuhlow, Jefferson	$\frac{4.00}{5.00}$
A. W. Loock, North Freedom	134.80	Mrs. Ernestina AlbersP. Lehmann, Ableman	2.00
A. W. Loock, Prairie du Sac	50.00 152.52	Mrs. John KroppA. L. Mennicke, Winona Emil WaltherR. W. Mueller, Medford	$\frac{1.00}{28.50}$
A. L. Mennicke, Winona	274.50	Mrs. Herman NeumanR. W. Mueller, Medford	5.00
F. H. Miller, Platteville	111.14 600.00	Spencer Mellen	$\substack{\textbf{1.00} \\ \textbf{2.00}}$
Paul Monhardt, South Ridge	183.00	Ed. F. Bolte	5.00
Richard Mueller, Medford	426.21 221.28	Fred Rockhoff	2.00
F. A. Naumann, Nelson	41.61	Mrs. Wilhelmine SchlesnerA. W. Paap, Farmington Mrs. Robert KruegerW. E. Schulz, Town Berlin	5.00 5.50
F. A. Naumann, Alma	45.85	Albert KlueckmannA. Schumann, Globe	26.00
H. W. Neubauer, Whitehall	19.40 68.25	Mrs. Augusta KussmannW. A. Schumann, La Crosse Gustave KussmannW. A. Schumann, La Crosse	5.00 5.00
H. C. Nitz, Waterloo	1,145.87	Mrs. Charles Hehn	2.00
Herbert Nommensen, Fountain City	304.59 666.89	Albert Jandt	4.00 1.00
Wm. Nommensen, Columbus	642.06	Mrs. Lonella MarwigE. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids	8.50
W. O. Nommensen, Green Valley	42.65 83.97	Victor KoppangA. A. Winter, Mauston Ludwig RadtkeL. A. Winter, T. Dallas	13.00 38.50
E. J. Otterstatter, Tomahawk	82.46	Mrs. Paul Bartell	40.50
A. W. Paap, Johnson Creek	304.64	Mrs. August Luck	6.50
H. A. Pankow, Poplar Creek	70.16 47.31	Mrs. Chas. Voss E. C. Fredrich, Helenville	2.00
H. A. Pankow, Iron Creek	72.31	Jean Pfeifer E. C. Fredrich, Helenville Mrs. Agnes Roll G. H. Geiger, T. Lincoln	$\frac{1.00}{2.00}$
N. E. Paustian, Oconomowoc	600.00 230.00	Harold Boehm	100.00
W. A. Paustian, West Salem	267.55	John L. Regelein	7.50 220.00
E. E. Prenzlow, Cornell, Keystone and Birch Creek J. M. Raasch, Lake Mills	266.30 76.09	Rev. J. Klingmann W. A. Eggert, Watertown Rev. J. Klingmann O. W. Koch, Central Conference	20.00
S. Rathke, Cameron	37.20	Rev. J. KlingmannO. W. Koch, Lowell	2.00
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Elmer Rimpler, Fountain Prairie	96.33	Mrs. August RadseckA. Loock, North Freedom)	6.00
E. M. Schroeder, Ixonia	436.61	Rev. J. Klingmann H. C. Nitz, Waterloo Mrs. Carl Staude A. W. Paap, Farmington	3.00 5.00
H. Schaller, Tomah	1,641.71 1,265.57	Mrs. C. OertelJ. H. Paustian, Barre Mills	4.00
E. C. Schewe, Cambria	158.10	Adolph Hemker J. H. Paustian, Barre Mills Mrs. Emma Wollesen E. E. Prenzlow, Cornell	36.00 3.00
Eldor Toepel, T. Buckeye	47.02 159.36	Albert Klueckmann	2.00
R. Schoeneck, Eau Galle	178.31	Mrs. Elonis Schrader	3.00 2.00
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Angust Janing	W. F. Schink, Haven	3.00	Disbursements			
August Jolitz	Porpord G Kuschel Daggett	5.00	Budgetary Disbursements: General Administration	.0,245.97		
Shirley Kent	Molvin W Croll Kasson	$\frac{22.00}{7.00}$	General Administration Theological Seminary 1 Northwestern College 2	10,000.11		
Mrs. Margaret Kings	. Karl F. Toepel, Algoma	6.00 7.00	D- Montin Luther College	25,109.55		
Agnes Kitzman	Adolbort F W Geiger Neenah	2.00	Michigan Lutheran Seminary	5,517.53		
August F. Kleinhans	Gorbard Piener Fond du Lac	5.00	Home for the Aged	3,524.50 62.70		
William F. Kleist	W To Donkow New London'	2.00	Missions — General Administration	12,923.41		
A. Klotzbuecher	.W. E. Pankow, New London Theophil Hoffmann, Gladstone	3.00 6.00	Morno Missions	3,015.79 68,658.99		
Albert Knapp	Thoodore Thurow Menominee	5.00	Home Mission	2,418.00		
Susan Konkel	Mr. A Ciocobon Crandon	9.00	Modison Student Mission	511.45 $27,435.22$		
Frederick Korth	Gerhard Pieper, Fond du Lac	6.00 9.00	Spiritual Wellare Commission	600.00		
Hy. Kossow	C Hotzmann Wrightstown	11.00	General Support School Supervision	9,923.00 947.88		
Mrs. Louisa Kringel	John Masch, Black Eagle River	2.00		17.074.70		
Geo. Kruckeberg	W Boonke Green Garden Mich	2.00	Total Budgetary Disbursements\$2	11,034.10		
Wm. Kuechenmeister		7.00	Non-Budgetary Disbursements:	0.40.50		
Mrs. Augusta Bahr Lau	Harold E. C. Wicke, Hortonville	$\frac{2.00}{14.00}$	Institutional Missions — Parsonages	942.56		
Mrs. Edw. F. Lemke	W Poenke Marguette Mich	2.00	Total Disbursements		\$217,	977.26
Louis Luedtke	G Gebroeder Liberty	57.00	Cash Balance October 31, 1944		\$105,	071.86
Richard Marquardt	E M Prandt Annleton	1.00	Budgetary Reserve Fund		\$200,	,000.00
Carl Masch	Theophil Hoffmann, Manistique Theophil Hoffmann, Rapid River	10.00	C. J. NIEDFE	LDT, Tre	asure	r.
A. R. M. 3/C, U. S. Navy Mrs. John Meisner	John Masch, Black CreekL. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc	14.50	THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O	rr's OFF	CE	
Wm. Morack	Torl E Toenel Algoma	. 14.50	DONATIONS SENT DIRECTLY TO TREASURE	ILD OLL		
Mrs. William Nolte	Horold H Eckert Reedsville	. 13.00	For Spiritual Welfare Commission	3.00		
Paul Ott, S. Pekin, Ill.	O. Siegler, Pickett	. 3.00 . 19.00	S/Sgt. Harvey Callies, Africa\$ 1st Lt. Clara Steinberg, New York	10.00		
Mrs. J. Palmbach, Sr Erich Radke	W. Roepke, Green Garden, Mich.	. 5.00 4.00	Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Vetter, Valders, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. Clement Meyer, Valders, Wis.	2.00 1.00		
Mrs. Herman Radloff	E Bani Schlueter Oshkosh	. 112.00	Marian D. Gootz R. M. 1/C. New Lond, Coo.,	5.00		
Mrs. Otto Schiffleger	A W Voigt Green Bay	39.00	Cpl. Harold Kobin, Maxwell Field, Alabama	$\frac{1.00}{25.00}$		4
Mrs. Amelia Schroeder	Corl I Henning Ellington	. 18.00	T-bm Closen Manifowed WIS	2.00		
			Memorial Wreath in memory of Pastor August Paetz by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Nelesen, Manitowoc, Wis	5.00 5.00		
Mrs. Bertha Schwartz	Warl F Toenel Algoma	. 30.00	Joseph Cisler, A. M. M. 3/C, Long Island, N. 1.	1.00		
Gust. Sonnenberg	W Roepke, Marquette, Mich	. 5.00	June Lundquist, R. N. A., Minneapolis, Minn. Pvt. Florence B. Forsberg, Indiantown Gap, Pa.	1.00 1.00		
	Orvin A. Sommer, KingstonHenry E. Pussehl, Two Creeks			5.00 6.00		
			T/Sgt. Ralph W. Pleuss, New York City, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Hy. Nass, Valders, Wis.	5.00		
Sgt. Earl Uhlenbrauck	M A Braun Cleveland	8.50	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peek, Cleveland, Ohio	1.00 30.00		
Mrs. Chas. Voss	John Masch Black Creek	3.00	Mr. Walter Bossershar, Mr. Ed. Sterzing, Porterfield, Wis. George Schramm, S. 2/C, A. T. B., Little Creek, Va	$\frac{1.00}{5.00}$		
	Harold H. Eckert, Reedsville Ed. Zell, Mishicot			$1.00 \\ 10.00$		
			Zion Ev. Luth. Ladies' Aid, Elroy, Wis	2.00 2.00		
Joyce Wojahn	Thombil Hoffmann, Gladstone	2.00	Sgt. Raymond Beltz, Yakima, Wash.	5.00		
Lizzie Zachse	H Koch Manitowoc	2.00	Walter H. Roepp, New York and Society, Marinette, Wis. Sgt. Russ Heilman, New York City, N. Y.	10.00 3.00		
Pfc. Lawrence Zempel	Dr Gladosch Morrison	12.50		5.00 10.00		
Wm. Zimmermann	Geo. Kobs, Markesan	5.00	Rev. Fred Gilbert. St/Sgt. Melvin G. Koch, San Francisco, Cal. Cpl. A. R. Weber, New York City, N. Y.	5.00 2.50		
	mTheophil Hoffmann, Gladstone		T/5 Wm. Kliefoth, New York City, N. 1.			
	Special Gift		Mr. and Mrs. Albert Siefker	4.00 10.00		
Cpl. Art. H. Borree	F. E. Thierfelder, Dundas	20.00	Aid Association for Lutherans, Branch Number 10,	25.00		
		\$1,589.25	O/C William E. Dutcher, Camp Barkeley, Texas	2.50 8.00		
	HERBERT VOECKS, District Tree	asurer.		10.00 2.00		
	SURER'S STATEMENT		Prt. Elmer Nelson, New York. Pfc. Eugene Baumann, General Hospital, New York. A Soldier, San Francisco, Cal.	3.00		235.00
	1944 to October 31, 1944		For Missions		*	200.00
, bury,	Receipts		Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. Emma Behning by:			
Cash Balance July 1, 1944		\$ 49,161.33	The Company and family			
Budgetary Collections:			Marlyn Sprengeler 5.00	i.		
Educational Institutions	\$ 63,131.54 21,847.60		Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mahnke 2.00 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mahnke 1.00 Mr. and Mrs. Walter Housman 2.00			
	ssion 19,166.28 120,649.36		Mr. and Mrs. Dave Monson and family 1.00 Mrs. Martha Nelson	5	5	
Indigent Students	3,816.35		No. 13-met Liedtke Portland Oregon	4.96	6	
School Supervision	3,475.01		A Thankful Giver	25.00	0 \$	47.21
Revenues			For Church Extension Fund			
Total Budgetary Collections	and Revenues\$271,580.14		William E Noitzel Est	\$ 200.00		
Non-Budgetary Receipts:			Philip Plack, Est of Mr Ole Swanson by	y	0	
		2977 207 70	Mrs Edward Zekor	1.00	0 \$	251.00
Total Receipts		\$273,887.79	C. J. NIED	FELDT, T	reasu	ırer.
35 A 19		\$323,049.12				