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# BRIEFS by the Editor

"FORWARD — SO OUR GOD INVITES US!" This was the title of the feature article in a special issue of *The Northwestern Lutheran* that was made available for Synod-wide distribution. The purpose of that issue, dated June 28, 1964, was to give a vivid picture of the opportunities for mission work which God is placing before our Synod.

**HOW WERE THOSE OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED?** Was it done in this spirit: "Now here's your chance to show yourselves. If you don't, you ought to be ashamed of yourselves! In fact, then it's doubtful that you deserve the names of Christian and witness for Christ"—? It was not. Christians, God's people by His grace in Christ, are not to be shamed and browbeaten into doing what pleases God. Indeed, the actions otherwise pleasing to God cease to be such if they result from legalistic pressure tactics, from a steady drumfire of scolding, or a "good jacking-up," or even tearful pleading.

**THE GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR A GREATLY EXPANDED WORK** in home and world missions (and the training of many more full-time workers which such expansion

requires) were held before you in this light: God graciously deigns to use us of the Wisconsin Synod to do His work on a larger scale. He is inviting us to share in the honor and privilege of carrying the Gospel banner forward on a wider front.

AND WE CONFIDENTLY EXPECTED A HEARTY RESPONSE to God's invitation. We had this confidence, not because we are in any position to command or enforce such a response, but because God Himself has made you such who welcome an invitation to a bigger task and a greater effort. The new heart He gave you in bringing you to faith in Christ asks: "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" It constantly looks for new opportunities to serve the God who sent His only Son into the world for our redemption, and who bled and died for us in the person of Jesus Christ. You are particularly alert to new mission opportunities, because you have the inner urge and compulsion to bring to others the forgiveness, peace, joy, and hope which you have found in Christ.

*WILL IT BE OFFENSIVE OR, AT LEAST, IRRITATING TO YOU, if we*

*remind you, God's beloved children and honored coworkers, that several months have gone by since those opportunities were brought to your attention, and that our God is still beckoning and calling us to seize those opportunities? Of course not! Nor do we fear any resentment when we remind congregations to keep their eyes focused on the new work for Christ that waits to be done as they set the GOALS THEY WANT TO REACH in the coming year. Laymen and pastors, let us not be timid about presenting the whole picture of tremendous opportunity. The members to whom you present it will welcome this prospect of doing mission work on a wider scale. They will be willing to venture much, even as you are.*

**A MISSION VENTURE THAT STILL LAY IN THE FUTURE** when we presented the picture in June has become a reality now. We refer to the completion of the buildings for the Bible Institute in the Lutheran Church of Central Africa (Northern Rhodesia) and the opening of the first school year in this center for training Africans to serve as evangelists. A report on these developments is found on page 329. In our last issue we had a report on the commissioning of the second missionary to Puerto Rico. In this issue you also see one of several chapels which will be erected with funds that many of you helped to gather. The work is going forward!

*The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57*

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# Editorials

**The Neighborly Elephant** The elephant moving slowly and deliberately through the African bush appears to be completely oblivious of its neighbors. He ignores the smaller creatures about him with an indifference akin to disdain. The elephant hardly seems to notice that they are there.

If the elephant were suddenly to begin to pay attention to its lesser neighbors, particularly if he were to become considerate and companionable, his unusual behavior would arouse curiosity and comment.

When the huge Roman Catholic Church, which has maintained a studied estrangement and a cool aloofness from its smaller Eastern Catholic and its Protestant neighbors, begins to become sociable and even convivial, it is no less surprising. The elephant is out of character.

When Rome opens its Vatican Council sessions to Protestant observers (Lutherans, too!) and gives them better seats than some of the Catholic bishops have; when the Pope embraces a Greek Orthodox dignitary in the Holy Land; when the Pope grants audiences to heads of Protestant churches; when Catholics in St. Louis sing "A Mighty Fortress" because they like the hymn; when a joint Catholic-Protestant translation of the Bible no longer appears to be in the realm of the unthinkable; when Cardinal Bea and a Vatican delegation accompany a reliquary supposed to contain the skull of St. Andrew the Apostle, a cherished relic of the Greek Orthodox Church, to Greece after a 500-year stay in Rome, in an extraordinary gesture of good will toward the Greek Orthodox Church, the denominational world is surprised. The elephant is becoming sociable. Mighty Rome, it seems, grows understanding and kind.

It would be interesting to see whether this cordiality and good will would still be extended to Lutherans, for example, if there were no hope that Lutherans would yield their precious doctrine of justification by faith alone; no hope that they would accept any other authority for faith and life than Scripture alone, or that they would substitute a human satisfaction for sins in place of the sacrifice of Christ; no hope that they would consent to adore any saint on earth or in heaven, or that they would cease and desist from identifying the Pope

as the Antichrist. If Rome would still be cordial then, that would be more surprising than to see a neighborly elephant.

Or does Rome have reason to hope that some Lutherans, at least, will consider bartering away their birthright?

CARLETON TOPPE

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**Psalm 136:  
A Good Table Prayer —  
And More**

This Psalm has 26 verses and each ends with the words "for his mercy endureth forever." The

first verse of the Psalm is known to all of us as the most common of our table prayers: "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endureth forever."

A more fitting prayer after meals could hardly have been chosen than this verse — so easily memorized by children, so musical and so full of meaning. We do not, however, ordinarily give it its full meaning, because we use it almost exclusively after meals and are for that reason apt to think it refers only to our daily food.

If we take a closer look at Psalm 136 we see that the thanks that we are exhorted to give to our God are thanks not only for the gift of daily bread. We thank Him for His mercy, a word that includes all of God's goodness toward us and all men. In this Psalm Israel is called upon to thank the Lord for creating heaven and earth, for delivering His people from slavery, for giving them the heritage that He had promised them, for redeeming them from all enemies, and in the twenty-fifth verse for giving "food to all flesh." That is the only verse in the Psalm that refers directly to food.

And so God's mercy and goodness for which we so regularly give thanks at our tables include not only the food that we have just received at His hands but also our very life, the forgiveness of our sins, our salvation, the promise of eternal life in Christ, everything that God in His mercy has ever done for us and still does each day of our lives.

Whoever first chose that verse for a prayer of thanks after meals, made a very good choice.

ERWIN E. KOWALKE

## PAGES FROM THE PAST

January 5, 1930

**Fosdick On Sin** A modernist in Biblical interpretation, the Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, assails the present-day attitude toward sin in these words: "One of the most characteristic phenomena of our time is the way we rationalize sin. We take everyday, garden varieties of nastiness and personal infidelity, dress them up in a new psychological phraseology, and say 'O how modern.' St. Paul tells us that sin can disguise itself as an angel of light, but Paul never dreamed of our new psychological cosmetics, by means

of which any sin from adultery up can walk abroad now as self-expression, now as release from an inhibition, now as the new freedom, or now as overcoming a complex."

Well said, Dr. Fosdick, especially for a Modernist. The present-day filth in our newer fiction and in the practice of the poor deluded beings who live this unreal life nauseates and gags even this unbeliever in the Bible's teaching of wonders by the holy Lord God. But, alas, the cloven hoof appears. He would not be misunderstood. He concludes: "This is not by any means a reactionary appeal to old moral codes and taboos. It is primarily

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# Studies in God's Word: Be Strong in The Lord!

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God (Ephesians 6:10-17).

Be strong! How feverishly men seek to be strong! But it takes more than nourishing food and good exercise, more than vitamin pills and good examples, to shape either a healthy body or a firm moral backbone.

Yet it can be done. There is a way to achieve strength. The key is not some new secret for training human abilities. Look to the source of all strength and life, the Lord of heaven and earth. When St. Paul says, "Be strong in the Lord," he is not just urging us to be strong; he is also telling us how to gain the strength that we need.

## Hellish Foes Stand Against Us

A famous sportswriter once said that the key question of life is not "whether you won or lost, but how you played the game." But it would be a fatal mistake to dismiss life as just a game, just another Olympic

contest from which all the competitors eventually return home with honor, famous merely for having participated. Mankind stands opposed by an enemy who plays for keeps. Our eternal future is at stake in this contest.

The foe is the Prince of Evil, the Father of Lies, the "murderer from the beginning." We do well to assess honestly his capabilities. That wicked spirit is wily and powerful. In Eden he corrupted the righteousness of Adam and Eve. Which of the patriarchs, the heroes of faith, did he not succeed in tempting to folly, to mistrust of the Lord, to departures from holiness! No wonder Satan's temptations are aimed at us with such an impressive self-assurance, almost as if he were counting the spoils of his victory even before the battle is begun!

And he has many allies. Each in his own special field, each with his own measure of power, hordes of evil spirits range themselves in the devil's army. Daily they attempt to lead us to set our hearts on the things of this world and the cares of this life. Devilish cunning coaxes us to despair of heaven, to leave the straight and narrow path.

Nor should we ever forget this sobering fact: among the high places from which the forces of evil mount their attacks on our soul is a fortress *inside* our lines of defense! Our own sinful nature joins in that battle against purity in our souls. Hell has a beachhead in our own sinful flesh!

## Clad in God's Armor We May Stand Fast

Nevertheless, far from being out-matched by the devil's army, it is the Christian who may be compared to the best-equipped, best-armed soldier in the field. In St. Paul's day the top fighting man was the legionnaire of the Roman army. In our day we would make the comparison to a highly skilled member of a missile-firing crew, or perhaps to a combat-ready marine or paratrooper.

The Roman soldier started arming himself with a belt. With it he fast-

ened his garments, and to it he could buckle other pieces of armor and equipment. We Christians gird our loins with the belt of truth. It guards us from embarrassment and supports our other equipment. This truth is not just our own practice of speaking honestly. It is the truth God gives us, the truth that He is faithful and just, that He promised and sent His Son to be our Savior, that "there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Jesus is the cornerstone of our salvation, the door to heaven, the belt basis to our armor.

Our protection against the devil's deadly arrows is the righteousness of Christ. The perfect holiness given to us when He took our curse upon Himself surrounds us as body armor, our protecting breastplate. No soldier is ready to march or fight until he is well shod. Our feet are equipped with the Gospel of peace. Not only do we speak of God's peace to others. As we go, we ourselves are at peace with God, ready to go wherever He leads. Before us we hold the shield of faith. This marvelous gift of God even quenches the flaming arrows of sin that would otherwise consume us in the flames of hell. To complete our protective armor, we wear the helmet of salvation fashioned for us by God Himself.

In our hands is a mighty weapon, the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. With it we can ward off blows—and strike powerful blows of our own! See it clearly: the Christian is not strong in the Lord because he is equipped with a bomb shelter to hide in. We are equipped to stand in open battle. More than that, to stand fast in battle is not just a standing still in one spot. It means keeping position with our fellow soldiers, maneuvering to keep our front line facing the enemy no matter from which quarter he assails us. Nor will the victory be won till we have *moved forward* in triumphant counterattack.

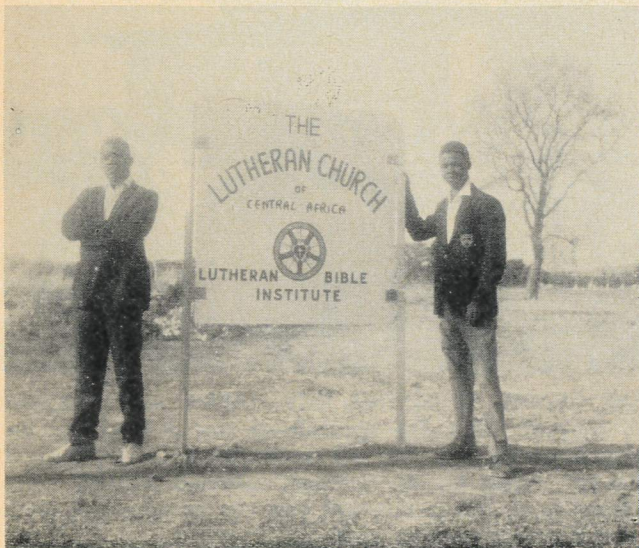
We, then, have not fully used the armor of God until we stand victorious, conquerors in our personal  
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# News FROM OUR Missions

## DEDICATION SERVICE Lutheran Bible Institute

On August 25, 1964, the Bible Institute of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa was dedicated to the Lord's service. Situated on a 40-acre tract of land about seven miles out of the city of Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, this school is to train Africans in bringing the Gospel of Christ to their people.

The thought of a school for the special training of Africans in the Word of God is nothing new. Our missionaries have long felt the need for this. This need was brought to the attention of our people especially through the words of missionaries on furlough. Additional funds were voted by Synod last year. Many generous hearts made it possible for the school to be built.

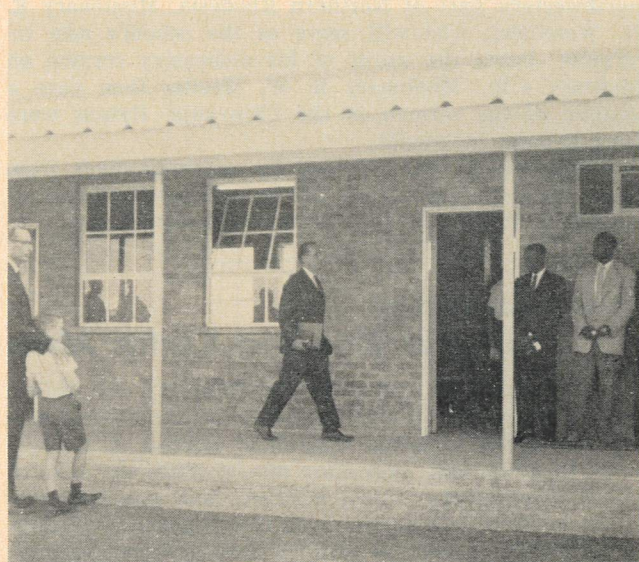


PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS stand beside the sign calling attention to our Bible Institute.

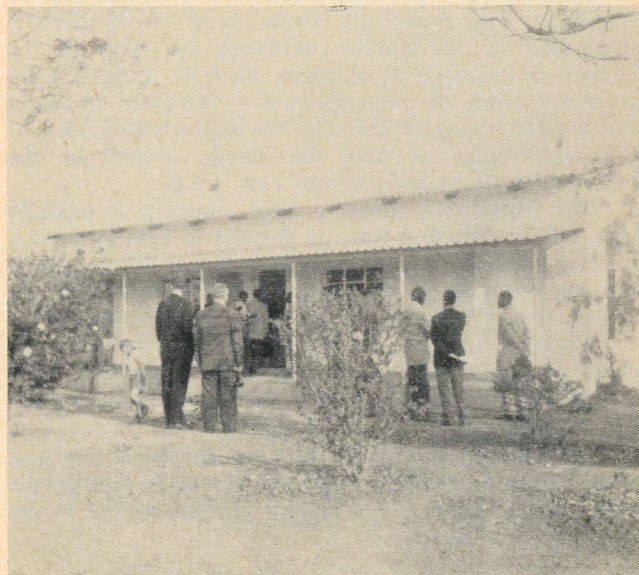
Within a year all necessary buildings have been erected and equipped. These include an instructor's dwelling, a classroom-administration building, which includes a workroom for printing tracts and instruction materials, a dormitory, and four units for housing married students. A thorough study of existing Bible institutes of other church bodies was made before this work was undertaken.

This school was officially opened on September 14, 1964, with an enrollment of 12 students. Four of these are already serving the Lutheran Church of Central

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PASTOR ERNST WENDLAND, who heads the Bible Institute, arrives for the dedication ceremonies.



THE DORMITORY FOR BOYS is neat and attractive. It is a converted farmhouse.

Africa as religious workers and will continue to serve congregations in the area while attending school. The entire project, including purchase of land, instructor's dwelling, bringing in light and water facilities, and all school buildings and equipment, will be somewhat less than

\$50,000. The school will be able to accommodate up to 24 students. After two years of training the students will be expected to go out and work under the supervision of a missionary. It is hoped that those who show the necessary gifts will later be given further training with the ultimate purpose of developing a church body that can work independently.

In the dedication service the church's five religious workers took part: S. Bimbi, J. Mpofu, B. Kawiliza, T. Tonga, and G. Mbuisa. The opening prayer was given by Pastor Albert Muyangana, who received his seminary training in Nigeria and is presently serving in the northwestern part of Northern Rhodesia. Missionary E. H. Wendland, who will serve as the school's sole instructor, based the words of his dedicatory sermon on Matthew 4:19. Missionary R. W. Mueller then gave a resume of the sermon in the Chinyanja. Hymns were sung in both languages.

The service was attended by representatives from many congregations of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa as well as friends from the Lusaka area.

### Synod Convention Lutheran Church of Central Africa

On August 26, 1964, the day following the dedication of the Lutheran Bible Institute, the first synod convention of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa was held. In attendance were four missionaries, one African pastor, five called religious workers, four voluntary religious workers, two nurses from the dispensary, 12 delegates, and a number of visitors. Acting Superintendent E. H. Wendland served as chairman, Missionary R. Sawall as secretary, and Mr. N. Ngwenya was elected to serve as treasurer.

Opening devotions were conducted by Missionary W. Schweppe, who based his words upon Psalm 126:2, 3. Missionary R. W. Mueller delivered an essay in the Chinyanja language on Matthew 18:15-18. Reports were presented from all congregations of Northern Rhodesia and Malawi, many of them by the African delegates. It was encouraging to note the steady growth of the church and its expansion into new areas.

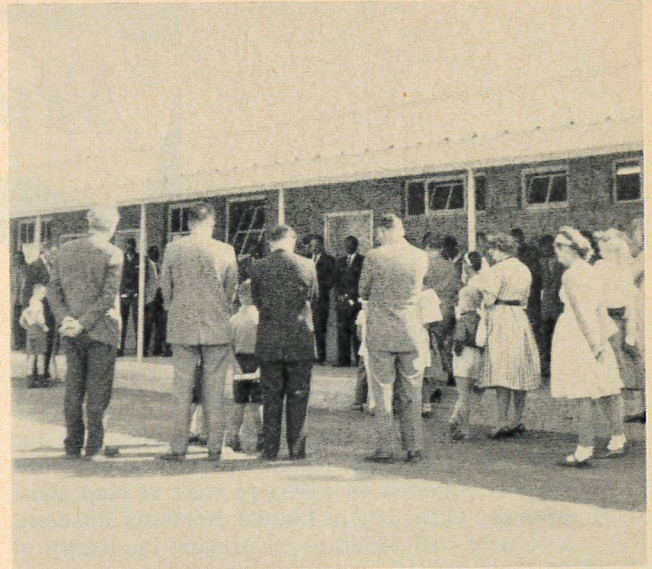
The convention voted to meet annually, if possible for a longer period of time. It decided to hold an annual Mission Sunday in all congregations so that special thought could be given to the work of spreading the Gospel. Two African representatives, Mr. R. Mulundika and Pastor A. Muyangana, were elected to serve on the Board of Control for the Lutheran Bible Institute. The official name of this body was to be the Synod of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa.

All workers and delegates were housed at the new Bible Institute, which arrangement served to give people from various parts of the church an opportunity to get to know each other.

### Pages From the Past

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an appeal to a knowledge of history. The idea that this looseness is really modern is absurd to anyone who knows history. One can find every item of it reduplicated in the eighteenth century."



THE OPENING OF THE CLASSROOM-ADMINISTRATION BUILDING saw this group gathered for the ceremony.



THE CHAPEL AT ISHIOKA CITY, JAPAN, was dedicated on May 31, 1964. The approximate cost of land and the chapel was \$3,500. You will recall that Missionary Richard Seeger, during his last furlough, collected \$20,000 for a chapel fund. This picture will give you an idea how some of this money is being used.

And so you can, Dr. Fosdick. But why stop there. As a matter of history, Sodom and Gomorrah knew and practiced these things; in fact this moral looseness is as old as the world. But what is to be done about it? Dr. Fosdick offers no remedy. Nor can a modernist have a cure. He really does not believe, as every true Christian must believe, that death is the wages of sin, and that Jesus the Christ came to destroy the works of the devil, to take our sins away, and finally, that only the justified Christian has the power to overcome sin. St. Paul could have taught Dr. Fosdick that.

AUGUST ZICH

What do  
you mean..



# Atonement ?

## ATONEMENT AND REDEMPTION

In the Holy Scriptures the Savior's work of atonement is frequently described as *redemption*.

At the circumcision of his son John, who was to be the forerunner of the coming Messiah, Zacharias burst into a hymn of praise and exclaimed, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and *redeemed* his people" (Luke 1:68). The approaching advent of the promised Savior signalled the beginning of the long-awaited redemption. In describing God's great act of deliverance as *redemption*, Zacharias is calling to mind a beautiful and meaningful concept, familiar from its frequent appearance in the Old Testament Scriptures.

### Provisions for Redemption in the Mosaic Law

For example, according to the Law of Moses, all of the first-born, both of man and beast, belonged to God. While the first-born of the clean animals were to be sacrificed to God, the first-born of men and of the unclean animals were to be *redeemed*, or bought back, from God by the payment of a prescribed sum of money (Num. 18:15, 16). The Levites were consecrated to God's service to take the place of the redeemed children. Redemption, accordingly, applied to the saving of a life which had become legally forfeit.

According to another provision of the Mosaic Law, if a man was forced by poverty to sell his land or any of his possessions, his nearest relative was under the obligation, if he was financially able, to buy back, or to *redeem*, that which had been sold (Lev. 25:25).

Similarly, if a man had sold himself into slavery because of his debts, the law specified: "After that he is sold, he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren may redeem him. Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him: or if he be able, he may redeem himself" (Lev. 25:48, 49).

### The Story of Ruth Illustrates the Point

A good illustration of how this law operated in practice is found in the lovely story of Ruth. When the nearest kinsman of Naomi, Ruth's mother-in-law, declined to redeem the land which had once belonged to Elimelech, Naomi's husband, because marriage to Ruth was also involved, Boaz, as the next nearest relative, assumed this obligation. He redeemed all that had belonged to Naomi's husband and to her two sons, Mahlon and Chilion. Boaz also married Ruth, who then became the great-grandmother of David, of whose line Jesus, the Redeemer of the world, was born.

### The "Next of Kin" — Jesus

Because of the intimate family relationship involved in the obligation of redemption, the Hebrew word for "redeemer" was at times used to designate the next of kin. What a beautiful connotation the name "Redeemer"

has, therefore, when it is used with reference to our Lord Jesus! He is our "next of kin," our very Brother. Inasmuch as we "are partakers of flesh and blood," the Epistle to the Hebrews says, making a point of this bond of kinship, "he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage" (Heb. 2:14, 15). Oh, the wonder of this mystery and the amazing power of His love! "That he might redeem us from all iniquity" (Titus 2:14), "the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). Our human minds simply stagger at the very thought of the ineffably wonderful, transcendently glorious nature of Christ's redemptive work!

### Types of Christ's Redeeming Act

In the Old Testament God delights in calling Himself Israel's Redeemer, reminding the Children of Israel of the fact that He has adopted them as His people and that He has, therefore, assumed an obligation toward them as their "next of kin." When His people were in Egypt, He promised, "I will redeem you with a stretched out arm" (Exod. 6:6). When they sat down by the rivers of Babylon and wept, hanging their harps upon the willows, they were comforted by the promise of the Prophet Micah, "The Lord shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies" (Mic. 4:10). How beautifully those mighty acts of God's redeeming love by which He delivered His people from bondage in Egypt and from exile in Babylon served as types of that supreme act of redemption by which He delivered us from the bondage of sin through the atonement of His Son!

### The Old Testament Portrayed the Redeemer

In the Old Testament too, however, this redemption from sin and death is God's primary concern. It is the sum and substance of His promises, as when He assures His people through the prophet Isaiah, "The Redeemer shall come to Zion" (Isa. 59:20). The atonement to be made by this promised Redeemer is viewed as an accomplished fact and is the basis for the Lord's declaration, "I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee" (Isa. 44:22). This, too, was the burden of the prayers of His people, as when they pleaded, "Redeem me, and be merciful unto me" (Ps. 26:11). The anchor of their hope was their trust: "With the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities" (Ps. 130:7, 8). The Old Testament saints had the well-founded, triumphant faith exemplified by Job when he confessed, "I know that my redeemer liveth" (Job 19:25).

Thanks be to God, that living Redeemer has made atonement for us too!

WILBERT R. GAWRISCH

# LOOKING AT THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

## Information and Insight

### ROME AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Another session of the current Vatican Council is getting reams of publicity, most of it highly favorable. Occasionally, however, there emerges a picture not so flattering and at variance with the illusory image of the all-wise Mother Church patiently guiding the straying out of error back into the fold and leading in the fight against totalitarian powers that threaten the freedom of all.

When Richard Cardinal Cushing recently rasped a request to the Council for a declaration supporting full freedom of conscience and opposing interference with that freedom by any church or state, he was wildly applauded, soundly supported by American bishops, but also opposed.

Alfredo Cardinal Ottaviani, head of the Vatican Holy Office, the guardian of the purity of faith and morals, voiced the view favored by Italian and Spanish bishops that "the man in error should not be entitled to honor," and that "it is not lawful to admit freedom to spread a religion when this may harm the unity of a Catholic nation and culminate in weakening it."

The Italian Cardinal expresses the age-old Roman position: no more freedom than Rome finds necessary or desirable. If the American bishops succeed in wresting approval of full religious freedom for all from the Council, a remarkable turnabout will have been made. One hopes this will happen but fears it will not. Up until now Rome has not been the champion of religious freedom.

### WILL THE HOLY SPIRIT MEET THIS DEADLINE?

One cannot help but get the impression that many one-church ecumenicals are somewhat on the impetuous and impatient side, but it is hard to believe that even the most rabid among them would dare to dictate to the Holy Spirit the timetable according to which He is to gather and unite their one visible church. Yet that is exactly what happened last September in Nottingham at the Faith and Order Conference called by the British Council of Churches.

Five hundred and fifty delegates, among them Anglicans, Baptists, Congregationalists, Methodists, Presbyterians, and United Free Churchmen, passed a resolution "to unite in one church renewed in mission . . . not later than Easter Sunday, 1980."

Whether by that time there will be unity in matters that have been in controversy for centuries, such as infant baptism, congregational independence, and apostolic succession, does not seem to concern these churchmen to any extent. The important thing for them is to have the united church and to stop, as one delegate is to have phrased it, "wrangling over matters which do not seem to affect at all a bomb-threatened, race-rioting, population-exploding world."

Unfortunately, there is too little worry about how the judgment-threatened, sinful world is to be affected by a church that has in its craze for union outraced the Holy Spirit and lost the power of His still, small voice to convert, to gather, to unite, to keep with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

### IS CONCERN FOR PRAYER FELLOWSHIP ALREADY ANACHRONISTIC?

Last August, Valparaiso University was the site for the first joint meeting of two major associations of Lutheran students in our country, the Lutheran Student Association sponsored by the Lutheran Church in America and the American Lutheran Church and the International Gamma Delta of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Students and staff, we are told in the NLC press release, agreed that this inter-Lutheran conference on Christian mission "was an event of historic significance in the life of the Lutheran Churches."

The significance may be "historic" but it is also sad. The press release further reports that students "participated in the celebration of Communion during a service Sunday morning arranged by Valparaiso University and met daily in morning and evening worship which was led by student leaders."

It is no wonder that agreement on prayer fellowship could not be reached within the Synodical Confer-

ence if even such obvious violations of its old principles of altar fellowship are already occurring.

### LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Statistics for 1963 gathered by the National Lutheran Council on membership and contributions in the various Lutheran groups have been discussed frequently in recent issues of churchpapers. Gains call forth rejoicing and thanksgiving; losses are deplored.

Undue importance can be attached to such statistics. They can be misinterpreted and misapplied. We think, however, there can be no debate on what our reaction ought to be to the findings regarding the significant all-purpose contribution figures. In seven different Lutheran synods the average total contribution per communicant ranged from a high of \$119.18 to a low of \$72.27. The \$72.27 figure was the Wisconsin Synod's.

### IN THIS ELECTION YEAR

One cannot escape election news and views even when reading churchpapers. Some religious periodicals unblushingly endorse one candidate or the other. Many others, while refraining from outright support of either party or candidate, will busily discuss all sorts of so-called moral and ethical issues ranging from corruption in government to weapons control and will in the process get in a few veiled licks for the party of their choice.

The Northwestern Lutheran has not in its 50-year history endorsed any political party or candidate. It will not do so in 1964. Prizing the independence of church and state we enjoy in America, our Synod refrains from political pronouncements and programs. However, in this last issue before election month our readers are offered some statistics on voting frequency for various groups of people during the period 1956-1960. The percent indicates how much voting each group did during those years.

Tavern Keepers .....	99%
Gamblers .....	97%
Knights of Columbus .....	94%
Roman Catholic Priests .....	89%
Women in Civic Clubs .....	64%
Rabbis .....	42%
Protestant Laymen .....	29%
Masons .....	26%
Housewives .....	16%
Protestant Ministers .....	16%

EDWARD C. FREDRICH



## LUTHERAN COLLEGIANS — WELS Our Synod's Campus Program

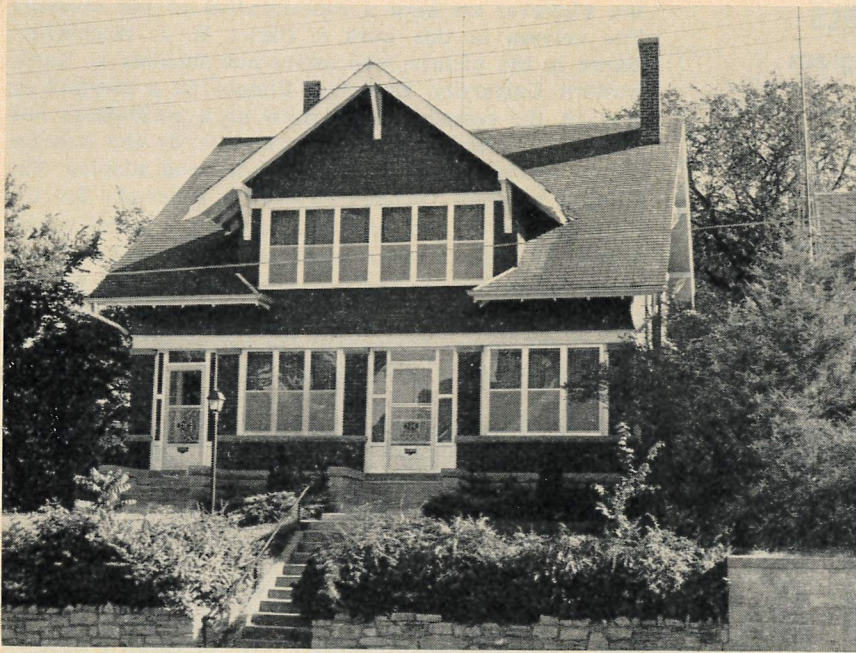
By the time this appears, the colleges and universities across the nation will have opened their doors to thousands of young people. Although our Synodical schools are crowded to capacity, thousands of our Wisconsin Synod young people will also be found on the campuses of the colleges and universities of the upper Midwest. The members of our Synod can rest assured that something very positive is being done for our young people on the campus of the state schools. Through our Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission a comprehensive spiritual program has been arranged. Thirty pastors are now serv-

ing wherever we have a concentration of our students. The veteran in this work is Pastor H. J. Wackerfuss, shown in the picture, who serves our students at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. In a meeting on May 19, the campus pastors drew up a preliminary outline. On September 15, the work done by the subcommittee during the summer was ratified and adopted. The finished program includes all that is necessary for the local chapter on each campus, including a model constitution, the role of the campus pastor, the spiritual program, the social program, as well as a manual for the presidents of the local chapters. The official name adopted for all our groups throughout the nation will henceforth be: LUTHERAN COLLEGIANS—WELS. Our name has

OUR CAMPUS PASTORS meet periodically to discuss a more effective ministry to our students. They work under the guidance of the Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission.



OUR STUDENT CENTER AT WISCONSIN STATE UNIVERSITY — WHITE-WATER.



THE LUTHERAN STUDENT CENTER pictured here is used by our Wisconsin Synod teachers attending Mankato State Teachers College, Mankato, Minnesota.

also been incorporated in an official emblem that will soon be appearing on posters and signboards on the campuses, so that our young people will be able to identify and recognize the group and work of our Synod.

To make the work more concrete for you, we show you a LUTHERAN COLLEGIAN Student Center, Mankato State College, Mankato, Minnesota. Located at 326 Warren Street. This duplex was purchased in October 1963. Here we have a resident housemother, Mrs. Cora Prange. The seven rooms on the main floor provide living quarters for the housemother, assembly rooms, lounge, library, dining room and kitchen facilities. The second floor is arranged as a dormitory for 10 girls, with bedrooms, living room, dining room, as well as kitchen for their own cooking facilities. When filled to capacity it is hoped that our Mankato student center will be a self-supporting

project. On June 3, 1964, this center was dedicated in the presence of students and members of the local congregations. Pastor David Kock, St. Clair, representing the Minnesota District Mission Board, addressed the assembly on the theme, "A Christian Retreat For Heart Wisdom" (Prov. 23:15). Pastors R. Haase of North Mankato and Martin Birkholz of West Mankato have been serving our collegians there for over 10 years. A Sunday morning church bus is also provided to the services of their congregations.

This is one example of the work that our Synod members can expect to be done as the various chapters of our LUTHERAN COLLEGIANS—WELS once again become activated on the campuses of the many state colleges and universities in the upper Midwest.

MARTIN BIRKHOLOZ

## Still More Golden Anniversary Mail

Dear Northwestern Lutheran,

May I add my cordial good wishes to the many that you will no doubt receive on the occasion of your fiftieth birthday! You have been a welcome guest in my home many times, and I shall await your arrival in the future with an eager anticipation that seems to grow as the years roll by.

What would we do without you? Last week I received a request from one of our missionaries in a far corner of the earth. He complained that you were too long delayed in your coming and asked that you might be sent his way by air.

With cordial birthday greetings,  
R. H. ZIMMERMANN, Chairman  
The Board For World Missions

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Dear Friends:

In addressing you in this way, we include, not only the members of the editorial board and staff, but also *The Northwestern Lutheran* itself, which for 50 years

has served as a true friend to the members of our Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod and to the cause of Lutheranism.

To be a true friend, the official publication of a church would have to be faithful in complying with the Word of the Lord in Isaiah 12. It should praise the God of our salvation; enable us to draw water out of the wells of salvation; declare His doings among the people; sing unto the Lord, who has done excellent things.

We are thankful for the mercies of God in giving *The Northwestern Lutheran* this role and for keeping it faithful for 50 years to this blessed purpose. May that mercy attend our churchpaper in the years to come!

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT J. VOSS, President

Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers College

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September 4, 1964

As we thank our blessed Triune God for undeserved kindness upon our *Northwestern Lutheran* in the past 50

years, may this voice of our Synod be continued in the spirit of Jude 3: "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints"!

ADOLPH C. BUENGER, President  
Southeastern Wisconsin District

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Dear Brethren,

Permit me to congratulate you upon the fiftieth anniversary of *The Northwestern Lutheran*.

I have not read your churchpaper for the entire 50 years, but from the years that I have subscribed to it, I note your clear-cut stand on the heresies which are troubling the Lutheran bodies today. Anyone who reads your pages cannot help but note that your declaration to stand on the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions is not mere lip service.

Permit me to congratulate you upon 50 years of faithful witness to the truth, and may you continue unwaveringly in the future!

With best wishes,  
REV. L. W. FAULSTICK, PH.D.

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Dear Editor:

It is with a feeling of gratitude to God that I wish to congratulate *The Northwestern Lutheran* on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary.

Truly, it is a precious gift of God to His Church when a periodical by His grace is able to publish the news of salvation over the period of a half century without falling into the temptation of watering down that message with the philosophies of man's wisdom. It is also a precious gift of His that a voice like *The Northwestern Lutheran* continues to sound the clarion call to battle against unbelief and false teaching in an age when this is extremely unpopular and when a false "ecumenism" is causing many other periodicals to issue forth a confusing and uncertain sound.

It is my prayer on this occasion of *The Northwestern Lutheran's* fiftieth anniversary that the Lord of the Church may continue to use it as He has in the past to be a clear, certain, and faithful medium for broadcasting Biblical, confessional, and orthodox Lutheran teaching into all the world. May He cause its pages to bring the pure Gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus our Savior to many millions more in the years to come!

In His name I wish *The Northwestern Lutheran* a blessed fiftieth anniversary.

Sincerely,

VERNON H. HARLEY

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Dear Friends in Christ:

We rejoice with the editor and staff of *The Northwestern Lutheran* upon the fiftieth anniversary of their publication. We praise the Lord that He has kept those who are responsible for this publication faithful in upholding the Word of Truth throughout this half century when so many orthodox Christian publications have gradually been taken over by the forces of evil.

It is our prayer that God will keep the editor and staff faithful to His Word and that He will continue to use *The Northwestern Lutheran* for many years to come as a beacon of light showing the path which leads to heaven and warning against the path that leads to hell. May it always sound a clear warning against all false and pernicious ways of error!

Cordially yours, in Christ,

R. H. GOETJEN

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It's right that we celebrate the fiftieth birthday of our *Northwestern Lutheran*, because during a golden half century *The Northwestern Lutheran* has in each issue celebrated Christ's birthday by proclaiming: "I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

Birthday gifts to *The Northwestern Lutheran* should consist of an increased number of readers.

ROMAN J. PALMER

## Thy Kingdom Come; Thy Will Be Done on Earth

### Dedication at Fox Lake, Wisconsin

When God strengthens our faith and keeps us steadfast, we Christians have that which we most earnestly desire. When God's kingdom comes to us by the Word of God day by day, few take notice of it and appreciate its blessings.

Each flock that is gathered about Word and Sacraments grows through its joy and sorrows. We must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God. It is the joy of St. John's Congregation, Fox Lake, Wisconsin, that we relate to you now, specifically, its sixtieth anniversary and dedication joy.

Though the Lutherans in this community had been served off and on with services of neighboring pastors, it was not until July 12, 1903, that the nucleus gathered regularly. St. John's organized in 1904. By that fall its

first frame church was completed. There was joy in God's kingdom work in our midst.

In 1907, the congregation forfeited its independence and was served from Randolph. What joy must have filled the hearts of the members when the seven lean years were ended, and a resident pastor again took care of their souls.

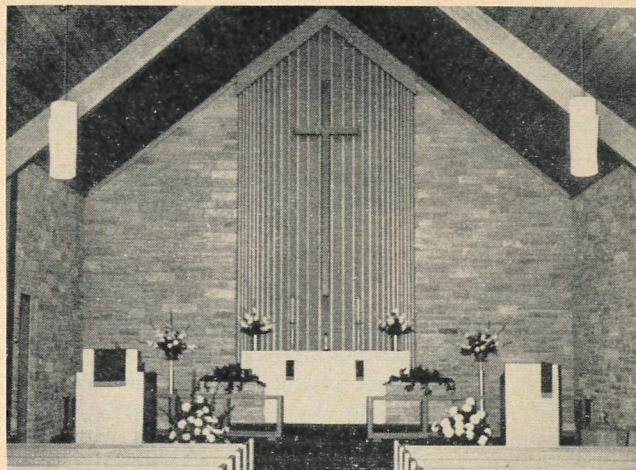
Within 20 years the congregation had outgrown its facilities. When a larger Baptist church became available for a reasonable price, it was purchased and renovated. That fall a Christian day school was opened; the Lord was creating, strengthening, and preserving faith in rich measure.

Again, however, Satan summoned his forces to the attack. Although the congregation continued to grow, the

rich blessing of the school was foregone. Remodelings, excavations, new heating plant and added facilities did not prevent the condemning of the building which was nearing its century mark.

Finally in 1959, land was purchased and plans begun for an entirely new plant in a new location. Slowly funds accumulated. It was October 8, 1963, before contracts were finally awarded. On October 13, the congregation's joy was heightened by the Word as presented by Professor J. P. Meyer. He had served before the group was organized. In the afternoon service about 400 watched as he turned the first shovelful of earth and pointed us to Christ, the only foundation. Cornerstone services were held April 5, 1964. Pastor Mischke instructed us in the Word in the two morning services. The record of our joys and sorrows were enclosed in a copper box for posterity while our songs of thanksgiving and praise ascended to our King who sent us this joy from above. After 40 years in our second house of worship, our sixty-first year began with the act of dedication. Nearly 2,000 people attended the three festival services July 12. President Oscar Naumann preached in the morning dedicatory service. Pastor F. Mutterer performed the dedication rites. The afternoon service stressed Christian education. Prof Martin Albrecht, chairman of our Board of Education was the speaker; Pastor Elton Huebner, the liturgist. Pastor Marlyn Schroeder, secretary of World Mission Board, reminded us of the Lord's open door before us in Fox Lake, and through our mission program, throughout the world. Pastor Walter Zank, who has twice served the congregation as vacancy pastor, was liturgist.

Our pride and joy is God's gift of a contemporary religious building. There is no lower level; all is practi-



RECENTLY DEDICATED was St. John's, Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

cally arranged on one floor. Though the building first appears small because it is situated on a six-acre tract, the nave easily seats well over 300 with a balcony for a choir of 40 voices. Overflow seating in the fellowship hall swells the total seating capacity to over 550. Total cost of the building including furnishings is \$184,136.

Christian education is provided for in two classrooms. There are the usual auxiliary rooms for a congregation of this size.

We look to our good and gracious God who has bestowed blessings in the past, for spiritual growth and unity in the Spirit.

FREDERICK MUTTERER

## A New School Year Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

With a service in the Seminary Chapel on September 9, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary opened its doors for another year of theological training. We are thankful to the Lord of the Church that during the course of this school year our Seminary will have 101 students in attendance for such training, 33 Seniors, 33 Middlers, and 35 Juniors. We have 32 more students enrolled, but they are serving as full-time vicars and undergraduate instructors within our Synod during this school year.

### The Uncertainty About the Authority of Scripture

As throughout its past, our Seminary at this school opening invited its old as well as its new students to pursue their theological training under the full authority of the Holy Scriptures. In all humility we thank God that our Seminary has not

become uncertain about the nature of Scripture's authority as the verbally inspired and inerrant Word of God. It may seem self-evident to our students and to the members of our Synod that our Seminary should hold to this position. Yet it is well to remember that we are living in a day when this is far from self-evident, in a day when it can no longer be said of many of the Lutheran seminaries of our land. At an increasing number of Lutheran theological schools the nature of Biblical authority is no longer treated as a certainty but has become a vexing problem.

### A Study of Divergent Viewpoints, But No Surrender to Them

Also at our Seminary students cannot escape the task of becoming informed concerning all the many divergent points of view currently propounded by leading American and

European theologians concerning the authority of Scripture. This is necessary just because these viewpoints are making a greater or lesser impact upon Lutheran theology in our day. Hence our students must analyze and evaluate these viewpoints in the light of God's Word. Otherwise they would remain blind to the actual battle that the confessional Lutheran Church is waging. Just as surely, however, our Seminary will not want to capitulate to any of these un-Scriptural viewpoints but rather cling to the absolute authority which Scripture itself teaches and which it claims for itself as the verbally inspired and inerrant Word of God. In all of its theological work Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, by God's grace, will want to continue to say with the Psalmist: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." Faculty members and students will want to implore the Lord to give them continued grace to say it in the sense of

acknowledging the Holy Scriptures both as the *only* light and as a *clear* light in all matters of Christian faith and life. These truths were emphasized and unfolded in the opening service on the basis of Psalm 119:105.

#### A Clear Light — Encouragement and Assurance

The assurance that Scripture is a clear light, that for all times it clearly presents and reveals all the truths that man needs for his Christian

faith and life now and his eternal salvation hereafter, ought to be a constant encouragement to our Seminary students in their theological study and training. Even more encouraging should be the assurance that Scripture has power to win acceptance for the saving truths which it teaches, power to effect in human hearts a spiritual understanding of these truths, a blessed comprehension of faith, faith as it centers in God's forgiving grace in Christ Jesus.

#### A Special Anniversary Service

On Sunday, November 15, our Seminary wishes to take note of the fact that Dr. Paul Peters has served for 25 years on its faculty and participated in the vital task of training public servants of the Word. Our Seminary Board and Faculty extends a cordial invitation to the public service which will be held in the Seminary Chapel at 7:30 on this Sunday evening to observe this anniversary.

CARL LAWRENZ

### Christ Church of North St. Paul Dedicates Building

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church of North St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 24, 1964, dedicated its new church, with its educational and recreational wings. Pastor H. A. Sauer of Muskegon Heights, Michigan, a former pastor, preached the dedicatory sermon on Exodus 20:24. The local pastor was the liturgist. In the afternoon service Prof. Carl Scheweppe of our Dr. Martin Luther College preached on Matthew 24:11-14, while David Bode was the liturgist.

Although the site for the new church had been purchased in 1959, the building program was not officially begun until May 8, 1960, when the new site was dedicated and solicitors sent out to gather three-year pledges. On April 30, 1963, the congregation instructed the building committee to proceed with construction. The cornerstone was laid on September 22.

The new building is composed of three major elements, all connected to the narthex. These consist of the sanctuary for worship, the classrooms for education, and the auditorium for social and recreational purposes.

The building is designed in a contemporary style. Although the shapes

and lines are simple and straight, a great deal of emphasis has been given the sanctuary by introducing strong vertical lines which reach a climax at the chancel end. In the sanctuary a soft light is achieved by the splayed sections of walls and amber-glass windows at the rear of the splays. The slightly fan-shaped plan, narrower at the chancel, and the rising ceiling with its sloped sections reflecting the splays in the walls, all build up to a lofty height, raising one's eyes to a magnificent symbol of Christ. A gold-framed cross set in a field of jewel-like stained glass is the focal point of the interior. The new type of art glass is made from thick pieces of stained glass, all hand-cut and chipped to give the jewel-like appearance. The woodwork and furniture in the chancel, nave, narthex and pastor's study are of walnut except the face of the altar, which is a rare burl of a tamo tree from Japan.

In the educational wing there are three classrooms (36x24), and one room (24x24) which is used for a nursery as well as for classes. The larger rooms are divided into six

rooms by folding walls and movable partitions, but can also be used for a Christian day school, if so desired.

The auditorium will be used for additional classrooms, assemblies, dining and social gatherings, and recreation.

The building measures 223 feet by 134 feet. The church seats 450, plus 50 in the balcony. The entire cost was \$350,000.

As we entrusted our entire building program into the gracious and almighty hands of our God, we now give praise, honor, and thanksgiving to Him for answering our prayers, so richly blessing us and permitting us to complete our new building.

ELDEN M. BODE

### Anniversaries

#### Golden Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schipporeit of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Broken Bow, Nebraska, on September 9, 1964.

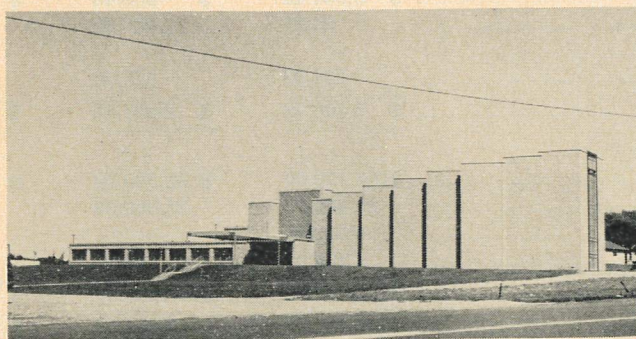
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorn of Our Savior's Ev. Lutheran Church, Wilton, Wisconsin, on September 16, 1964.

### Studies in God's Word

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battles against the temptations that used to overpower us, holding new fields at home and abroad where we and our fellow soldiers have raised the banner of the cross of Christ. Soldiers of Christ, stand fast! Face the foe! Draw the sword of the Word! Forward, march!

PAUL H. WILDE



THE NEW CHRIST EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, North St. Paul, Minnesota, presents this exterior view.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD**  
**1964 Pre-Budget Subscription Performance**

District	Subscription Amount	8/12 of Subscription	January thru August	
			Offerings Received	Per Cent of B
Arizona-California .....	\$ 60,926	\$ 40,616	\$ 37,470.63	92.3
Dakota-Montana .....	106,569	71,048	64,701.99	91.1
Michigan .....	403,439	268,960	251,464.47	93.5
Minnesota .....	509,874	339,912	340,834.36	100.3
Nebraska .....	100,209	66,808	56,922.77	85.2
Northern Wisconsin .....	533,607	355,736	358,946.77	100.9
Pacific Northwest .....	19,380	12,920	9,832.36	76.1
Southeastern Wisconsin .....	638,372	425,584	390,531.54	91.8
Western Wisconsin .....	575,172	282,448	379,157.03	98.9
Total for 1964 .....	<u>\$2,947,548</u>	<u>\$1,965,032</u>	<u>\$1,889,861.92</u>	<u>96.2</u>
Total for 1963 .....	<u>\$2,874,149</u>	<u>\$1,916,096</u>	<u>\$1,856,614.08</u>	<u>96.9</u>

**BUDGETARY OPERATING STATEMENT**

July 1, 1964 thru August 31, 1964

	This Year		Last Year	
	August 1964	Two Months July 1964 thru Aug. 31, 1964	August 1963	Two Months July 1963 thru Aug. 31, 1963
<b>Budgetary Income:</b>				
Offerings from Districts .....	\$127,772.45	\$291,288.34	\$169,805.10	\$310,741.86
Gifts and Memorials from Members .....	1,417.53	2,625.40	607.70	667.70
Educational Charges from Educational Inst. ....	22,258.52	31,721.81	9,395.11	17,102.05
Other Income .....	260.87	469.32	86.34	461.12
Total Income .....	<u>\$151,709.37</u>	<u>\$326,104.87</u>	<u>\$179,894.25</u>	<u>\$328,972.73</u>
<b>Budgetary Disbursements:</b>				
Worker-Training .....	\$158,365.22	\$324,966.34	\$191,898.69	\$267,601.01
Home Missions .....	70,385.29	139,006.63	68,828.35	137,570.76
World Missions .....	41,081.85	89,335.34	29,255.99	64,500.98
Benevolences .....	21,732.10	43,629.10	23,003.00	33,516.00
Administration and Promotion .....	21,555.24	43,904.52	29,902.61	44,022.89
Total Disbursements .....	<u>\$313,119.70</u>	<u>\$640,841.93</u>	<u>\$342,888.64</u>	<u>\$547,211.64</u>
Operation Gain or (Deficit) .....	<u>(\$161,410.33)</u>	<u>(\$314,737.06)</u>	<u>(\$162,994.39)</u>	<u>(\$218,238.91)</u>

**Detail of Budgetary Disbursements**

July 1, 1964 thru August 31, 1964

<b>Operation, Replacement and Renewal</b>			
Worker-Training .....	\$214,434.91	\$174,298.56	\$ 40,136.35
Home Missions .....	112,512.36	111,570.76	941.60
World Missions .....	82,735.34	64,500.98	18,234.36
Benevolences and Pension .....	43,629.10	33,516.00	10,113.10
Administration and Promotion .....	41,435.50	41,659.89	( 224.39)
Total .....	<u>\$494,757.21</u>	<u>\$425,546.19</u>	<u>\$ 69,201.02</u>
<b>New Capital Investments</b>			
Worker-Training .....	\$ 6,361.43	\$ 802.45	\$ 5,558.98
Home Missions .....	94.27	1,000.00	( 905.73)
World Missions .....	—	—	—
Administration and Promotion .....	331.02	225.00	106.02
Total .....	<u>\$ 6,786.72</u>	<u>\$ 2,027.45</u>	<u>\$ 4,759.27</u>
<b>Appropriation for Future Capital Investments</b>			
Worker-Training .....	\$104,170.00	\$ 92,500.00	\$ 11,670.00
Home Missions .....	26,400.00	25,000.00	1,400.00
World Missions .....	6,600.00	—	6,600.00
Administration and Promotion .....	2,138.00	2,138.00	—
Total .....	<u>\$139,308.00</u>	<u>\$119,638.00</u>	<u>\$ 19,670.00</u>
Total Budgetary Disbursements .....	<u>\$640,841.93</u>	<u>\$547,211.64</u>	<u>\$ 93,630.29</u>

Norris Koopmann, Treasurer, 3512 West North Avenue  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208

**MINNESOTA LUTHERAN TEACHERS' CONFERENCE**  
Nicollet, Minn., Oct. 22, 23, 1964

**Program**

**Thursday, Oct. 22**

9:30-10:00 Registration — Program Committee Meeting  
10:00-10:30 Opening Service  
10:30-10:45 Minutes, Appointments, Reports  
10:45-12:00 Programmed Instruction, Prof. Gilbert Fisher  
12:15 Dinner  
1:00 Committee Meetings  
1:45- 3:00 Missionary Theodore Sauer  
3:00- 3:30 Recess  
3:30- 4:30 Sectionals: How to Improve Our School Visitation System  
5:00 Supper

**Friday, Oct. 23**

9:00- 9:15 Opening Devotion  
9:15- 9:30 Reports, Minutes  
9:30-10:30 The Administration of the Lutheran School, Arthur Glende  
10:30-10:45 Recess  
10:45-12:00 Practical Demonstration in Science, Prof. Gerald Mallmann  
12:15 Dinner  
1:15- 2:30 Report on District and Synod, Pastor M. J. Lenz, District District  
Report from executive secretary's office, Emil Trettin  
2:30- 3:00 Closing Devotion

Franklin Kolander  
Program Committee Chairman

**NEBRASKA DISTRICT TEACHERS CONFERENCE**  
Des Moines, Iowa

**Thursday, October 29**

9:00- 9:45 Opening Service, Pastor M. F. Weishahn  
9:45-10:30 Business, elections  
10:30-10:45 Recess  
10:45-11:45 Practical Application of the Seventh Commandment to School Life, John Schibbelhut  
11:45- 1:15 Noon Recess  
1:15- 1:30 Devotion, reading of minutes  
1:30- 2:45 To Read or Not to Read, Morton Schroeder  
2:45- 3:00 Recess  
3:00- 4:00 Discussion of essay

**Friday, October 30**

9:00- 9:15 Devotion, reading of minutes  
9:15-10:30 Paper on a Doctrinal Subject, Pastor W. A. Wietzke  
10:30-10:45 Recess  
10:45-11:15 Discussion of Essay  
11:15-11:45 District School Board Report, Pastor G. Free  
11:45- 1:15 Noon Recess  
1:15- 1:30 Devotion, reading of minutes  
1:30- 2:45 Demonstration and Discussion on Inexpensive Elementary Art Projects, Rolland Menk  
2:45- 3:15 Report of the Executive Secretary  
3:15- 3:30 Closing Devotion

Pauline Rupprecht, Secretary

**WISCONSIN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE**  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Nov. 5 and 6, 1964  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**Thursday**

9:00- 9:50 Opening service, Pastor C. Reiter of Fond du Lac  
9:50-10:45 The Ecumenical Movement in America, Pastor D. Bitter  
10:45-11:00 Recess  
11:00-12:00 The Role of the Principal and Teacher in the Administration and Supervision of the school, Pastor H. Warnke  
12:00- 1:30 Dinner and displays; Recognition of jubilarians  
1:30- 1:40 Devotion  
1:40- 2:25 Practical Aids for the Choir Conductor, Organist, and Classroom Music Program  
2:25- 3:30 The Purpose and Work of the State Historical Society, Mr. Thurman Fox, State Historical Society of Wisconsin  
3:30- 4:30 Board of Education report and business meeting with representation from high-school conference.

**Friday**

9:00- 9:15 Opening Devotion  
9:15-10:15 An Evaluation of Recent Trends in the Teaching of Mathematics, Prof. Edgar Pieper  
10:15-11:30 Group discussion of Prof. Pieper's paper  
11:30-12:00 Displays  
12:00- 1:30 Dinner and displays  
1:30- 1:40 Devotion  
1:40- 3:00 Doctrinal Essay, "Using the Means of Grace," Prof. Roland Hoenecke  
3:00- 4:00 Joint Business Meeting  
4:00 Closing Devotion  
The high-school conference will have its own program during certain periods of the conference.

Richard Schlavensky  
Secretary, Program Committee

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' INSTITUTE**  
Tess Corners, Wisconsin

The annual meeting of the Ev. Lutheran Sunday School Teachers' Institute will be held on Nov. 1, 1964, at St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, S66-W14325 Janesville Road, Tess Corners, Wis. (meeting to be held in the Youth Center Building).

The schedule will be as follows:

2:00-2:15 p.m. Registration  
2:15-2:30 Opening Devotion  
2:30-3:15 Topic: "Presentation of a Practical Sunday-school Lesson" by a professor from Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers College  
3:15-3:45 Discussion  
3:45-4:00 Recess  
4:00-4:30 Business Meeting  
4:30-5:00 Recess  
5:00 Fellowship Supper (tickets approx. 75 cents)

The Executive Board of the Institute would like to invite congregations not belonging to the Institute to attend the meeting. Please notify the secretary beforehand if you wish to stay for the fellowship supper.

Dorothy Benz, Secretary  
2945 South Lenox Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207

**FILMSTRIP AND RECORD**

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Designed to give you and adult church groups a look at the concerns and problems of the inner-city church and its people. It should at the same time give these groups an opportunity to discuss ways in which the church can realize the mission potential of the inner city, and assist inner-city churches in their mission outreach. It should be noted that some of the suggested solutions smack somewhat of the "social" gospel.

**NOTICE FROM THE AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS**

The film, LETTER TO NANCY, will be permanently withdrawn from the A-V-A-C library on December 31, 1964. We are not permitted to have the film shown after that date. Letter To Nancy will be available from rental film libraries at the rate of \$37.50 per day's use after that time. Bookings are very close for those still wishing to show this film.

G. A. GILBERT, Chairman  
Wis. Synod Audio-Visual Aids

**HELP WANTED**

There is a vacancy on the kitchen staff at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary at Mequon, Wis. A furnished room and board are supplied in addition to the salary. The work consists in assisting in the preparation of meals and in setting and clearing tables in the dining room. This position should appeal especially to a woman who needs both employment and living accommodations. For further particulars, please contact:

Prof. Heinrich J. Vogel  
11757 N Seminary Drive 65W  
Mequon, Wis. 53092

**APPOINTMENTS**

Dr. Paul Heise of Winona, Minn., has been appointed to serve as a member of the executive committee for Rhodesian Missions. He will complete the term of Dr. Arthur Tacke, who resigned because of the demands of his growing practice.

Pastor Paul Nitz of Milwaukee was appointed to serve on the Audio-Visual Aids Committee. He will complete the term of Pastor Milton Burk who resigned in order to devote his full time to his parish and his duties as contributing editor of **The Northwestern Lutheran**.

Oscar J. Naumann

**CORRECTION**

**Dakota-Montana District Convention Report**  
The report on the Dakota-Montana District Convention, in the August 9, 1964, issue (page 254, third column), contains the accusation that the Church of the Lutheran Confession has "blasphemed the Gospel." We are informed that the report of the Floor Committee on Doctrinal Matters did not make this statement. Rather, it stated that the actions of the Church of the Lu-

theran Confession have caused "outsiders to blaspheme the Gospel."—The Editor.

**A REQUEST**

**Anthology of Organ Preludes**

The undersigned is looking for a copy of each of the two volumes of "Anthologie" (out-of-print item published by Concordia Publishing House). Anyone wishing to sell one or both of these volumes, please write to:

Mr. Herbert Rupprecht  
2107 N. 51st St.  
Milwaukee, Wis. 53208.

**SEMINARY REQUESTS BOOKS**

The Homiletics Department of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary is looking for a number of additional copies of the following books which are no longer in print:

Reu — Homiletics  
Lenski — The Sermon  
Fritz — Preacher's Manual

These books are to be placed in the library.

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11831 N. Seminary Drive 65W  
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**CENTENNIAL DAY**  
**AT NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE**

Nov. 7, 1964

Letters regarding the events of Centennial Day are going out to all alumni from the College.

## CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

### ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA

#### FALL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date and Time: Tuesday, Oct. 27, 9:30 a.m. through Thursday noon, Oct. 29, 1964.

Place: Resurrection Ev. Lutheran Church, N. 17th St. and E. Yale, Phoenix, Ariz.; W. C. Bein, host pastor.

Agenda: St. Paul's Missionary Approach to the Unchurched, Part II, E. Hoenecke; The Teachers and Teachings of Neo-orthodoxy, K. Hering; Exegesis of Matt. 16:13-20 (The Keys), R. Hochmuth.

The annual Phoenix area joint Reformation service will be held on Wednesday evening, Oct. 28, at 8:00 p.m., in Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church. J. Gerlach will be the festival preacher.

Requests for reduced motel rates should be registered with the host pastor immediately.

D. K. TOMHAVE, Secretary

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#### TEACHERS CONFERENCE

Date: Nov. 5 and 6, 1964.

Place: San Pablo Mission, 5065 S. 12th Ave., Tucson, Ariz.; V. Winter, host pastor.

Agenda: Teaching English Composition; The Preparation of St. Paul for His Mission Work; Related to Evaluating Prospects for the Public Teaching and Teaching Ministry; The Task of Achieving Simplicity in Telling Bible Stories; The Ungraded School—Panel Discussion.

L. JOHANNPETER, Secretary

### DAKOTA-MONTANA

#### EASTERN FALL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: Immanuel Lutheran Church, South Shore, S. Dak.; E. Werner, host pastor.

Time: Nov. 3 and 4, 1964; opening at 10:00 a.m.; Communion service on Nov. 3 at 8:00 p.m.

Preacher: Missionary R. Cox (alternate, J. Schneider).

Papers: Col. 2, E. Werner; A Look at the Roman Church on the Basis of the Vatican Council Meetings, D. Krenke; Scientia Media of God, N. Pommeranz; Practical Handling of Divorce Cases According to Scripture, W. Schumann; Sponsors: Their History and Their Practicability Today, R. Wendland; How to Deal With Delinquent Church Members, A. P. C. Kell.

C. E. CONE, JR., Secretary

### MINNESOTA

#### RED WING PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 27, 1964.

Place: St. John's Lutheran Church, Bear Valley (5 miles NE of Mazeppa, Minn.); T. Haar, host pastor.

Time: Opening Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Speaker: W. Henrich (alternate, E. Hertler).

Agenda: I Tim. 3:1-7, T. Haar; Luther as Hymn Writer, R. Goede; How Should the New Bible Translations Be Used in the Congregation? H. Muenkel.

NATHAN RETZLAFF, Secretary

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#### REDWOOD FALLS PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 29, 1964.

Place: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Renville, Minn.

Time: Opening Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Preacher: O. K. Netzke (alternate, W. Nommensen).

Agenda: Exegesis — II Thess. 3:6 ff., H. Hackbarth; Second Commandment: Luther's Large Catechism, W. Vathauer; Tape Recording on Gospel According to St. John (J. P. Meyer, recording speaker); Missions, E. O. Schulz; Casuistry, reports, and assignments.

If you are unable to attend, address excuses to host pastor, O. Engel.

J. H. BRAUN, Secretary

### NEBRASKA

#### DISTRICT MISSIONARIES CONFERENCE

Date: Nov. 10, 12 noon—Nov. 11, noon. Trinity Ev. Lutheran, 3rd and Sante Fe, Halstead, Kansas; H. Bittorf, vac. pastor. Communion service Tuesday evening (preacher, M. Liesener).

Agenda: Enlisting Our Members as Missionaries, M. Weishahn; Guidelines for Institutional Mission Work, W. Wichmann; Roundtable Discussion on Pastor's Stewardship of Time, Admitting People into the Church by Confirmation, Transfer and Profession of Faith, W. A. Wietzke, moderator.

If you are unable to attend, please notify the host pastor prior to the conference.

DAVID G. SCHMELING, Secretary

### NORTHERN WISCONSIN

#### MANITOWOC CONFERENCE

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHERS CONVENTION

The third annual Manitowoc Conference Sunday-School Teachers Convention will be held on Nov. 15, 1964, at Bethany Lutheran Church, Manitowoc, Wis., 2:00-4:30 p.m.

G. F. CARES and A. SCHMELING, Committee

### SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

#### DODGE-WASHINGTON PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Slinger, Wis.; L. Groth, pastor.

Date: Oct. 27, 1964.

Communion service: 9:00 a.m.

Preacher: E. Breiling (alternate: M. Croll). Essays: I Cor. 9:14-27, continued exegesis, A. von Rohr; Exegesis of Mal. 2, M. Westerhaus.

Alternate papers: How has the canonicity of the Bible been established? L. Tessmer; A panel discussion — Preparing Confirmands for Church Membership, L. Groth.

CARL J. HENNING, Secretary

### WESTERN WISCONSIN

#### CENTRAL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 27, 1964.

Place: St. John's Lutheran Church, Waterloo, Wis.; H. C. Nitz, pastor.

Time: 9:00 a.m.; Communion service at 11:00 a.m.

Speaker: R. Hoenecke (H. Wicke, alternate). Agenda: Program as presented by the program committee; other reports and conference business.

RALPH POLZIN, Secretary

### ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

#### Installation

##### Pastor

Schulz, W. E., as associate pastor of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Tomah, Wis., by O. Heier; assisted by E. Carmichael, D. Kempf, and L. Hohenstein; Sept. 20, 1964.

##### Instructor

Klatt, Harold, as instructor at Manitowoc Lutheran High School, by G. F. Cares; Oct. 4, 1964.

##### Teachers

Bartels, Carl, as principal of Trinity Lutheran School, Marinette, Wis., by A. Gentz; Aug. 22, 1964.

Benidt, Paul, as teacher in Trinity Lutheran School, Marinette, Wis., by A. Gentz; Aug. 22, 1964.

Gartner, Daniel, as principal of Bethesda and Gethsemane Lutheran School, Cibecue, Ariz., by A. Krueger; assisted by H. Hartzell; Aug. 23, 1964.

Huber, Walter, as teacher in St. Lucas Lutheran School, Milwaukee, Wis., by D. Malchow; Sept. 6, 1964.

Krause, Edward, as teacher at Emanuel Lutheran School, New London, Wis., by F. Heidemann; Aug. 30, 1964.

Nommensen, Arnold, as teacher at St. Mark's Lutheran School, Watertown, Wis., by K. Timmel; Aug. 23, 1964.

Roehler, Martin, as teacher of St. Paul's Lutheran School, Norfolk, Nebr., by E. Habermann; Aug. 30, 1964.

Schmeling, Daniel, as principal of Christ Lutheran School, Big Bend, Wis., by W. Krueger; Aug. 16, 1964.

Wichmann, Edgar, as teacher in St. Lucas Lutheran School, Milwaukee, Wis., by D. Malchow; Sept. 6, 1964.

Willems, Paul, as teacher at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Kewaunee, Wis., by W. Zink; Aug. 30, 1964.

#### INDUCTIONS AT LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL Onalaska, Wisconsin

Mr. Larry Erbe, a graduate of Wisconsin State University, La Crosse, was inducted as an instructor in Luther High School, Onalaska, Wis.; on Aug. 31.

Mr. Gale Peterson, a graduate of Northwestern College and a temporary instructor last year, was inducted to serve on a full-time basis; also on Aug. 31.

Pastor David Kuske is serving on a part-time basis. Wayne Schmidt

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