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Easter.

Lord Jesus Christ, strong Hero Thou,
Grim death Thou hast o'erpowered now,
Thou dost destroy hell's gate and chain,
Dost on the third day rise again.

Thou grantest to thy friends the grace
To look again upon Thy face,
And showest them the glorious prize,
Now when from death Thou didst arise.

Grant that we and all Christians may
Partake of this great joy to-day,
Which by Thy resurrection Thou
Vouchsafest unto all men now.

Grant us that we may rise from sin,
A holy life to lead begin,
Till we, from sin and pain set free,
In endless Easter live with Thee.

Relying on the Blood of Christ.

An old herdsman of Dartmoor, Eng., was taken to a London hospital to die. There his grandchild used to visit and read to him. One day she was reading to him the first chapter of the first epistle of John. When she reached the seventh verse, "And the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin", the old man raised himself and stopped the little girl, saying with great earnestness: "Is that there, my dear?" "Yes, grandpa." "Then read it to me again; I never heard the like before." The little girl read again: "And the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." "You are quite sure that is there?" "Yes, quite sure." "Then take my hand and lay my finger on the passage, for I should like to feel it." So she took the old, blind man's hand and placed his bony finger

on the verse, when he said, "Now read it to me again." The little girl read with her soft, sweet voice: "And the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." "You are quite sure that is there?" "Yes, quite sure." "Then if any one should ask how I died, tell them I died in the faith of these words: 'And the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin'." And with that the old man withdrew his hand, his head fell softly back on the pillow, and he silently passed into the presence of Him whose "blood cleanseth us from all sin."

Are you relying on the blood of Christ, dear reader?

"Because I Live, Ye Shall Live Also."

That is our hope. We shall not sink into annihilation. Christ rose from the dead to give us a pledge of our own rising. The resurrection is the great antidote for death. Nothing else can take its place. Riches, genius, worldly pleasures or pursuits, none can bring us consolation in the dying hour. "All my possessions for a moment of time," cried Queen Elizabeth, when dying. "I have provided in the course of my life for everything except death, and now alas! I am to die unprepared" were the last words of Cardinal Borgia. Compare with these the last words of one of the early disciples: "I am weary. I will now go to sleep. Good night!" He had the hope of awaking in a brighter land.

Oh, what gloom and darkness would settle upon this world, if it was not for the glorious doctrine of the resurrection! Thank God, the glorious morning will soon break. Soon our Lord will come to receive His own, whether they be living or dead.

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Our Faith Not In Vain.

IF CHRIST be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom He raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: And if Christ be not raised, your faith is in vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. BUT now IS Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.—I Cor. 15, 14-20.

True Faith's Foundation.

In the night in which He was betrayed Christ, our Lord, lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour is come; glorify Thy Son that Thy Son also may glorify Thee; as Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." These words of our Lord plainly show the great importance of the right knowledge of God and Jesus Christ, His Son. This knowledge is eternal life, says Jesus. Therefore, all who wish to attain eternal life must know God and Christ Jesus. They must diligently hear and learn and study God's Word in which He reveals Himself to us sinners. True, we receive eternal life only through faith in our Savior, Christ Jesus. But the foundation of true faith is the right knowledge of God and Jesus Christ. One cannot believe in Jesus without knowing of Him, as St. Paul writes to the

Romans 10, 14: "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?" Before one can firmly and confidently trust in God he must know God and Jesus Christ. Therefore says Jesus: "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." And St. Paul says to Timothy, II. Tim. 3, 15: "From a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

Strong Church.

"Is this a strong congregation?"

"Yes."

"How many members are there?"

"In all about 75 souls."

"Seventy-five! Are they so very wealthy?"

"No; they are poor."

"How, then, do you say it is a strong church?"

"Because the members come regularly to all our services, they love and respect the Word of God, and are careful in their conduct as Christians. They are earnest, devoted, at peace, loving each other and striving to do the Master's work. Such a congregation is strong, whether composed of 5 or 500 members."—Sel.

God's Promise.

The Lord does not promise His children that they shall be without trial and tribulation; quite the contrary: He tells them they shall have to meet both. But He promises to be with His people in trial and tribulations, and this is infinitely better.

Why He Believed In The Bible.

A scoffer asked a Christian: "Do you believe in the Bible?" "Most certainly I do," promptly came the answer. "Why do you believe in it?" said the former. "Because I am acquainted with its Author." This simple testimony of the believer so perplexed the other that he turned away without another word.

The Christian bears the cross for a moment; the promise is that he shall wear a crown forever.

THE SAFETY-LAMP.

When going through a coal mine, it is necessary to carry a safety-lamp, in order to throw a light across the path. The light prevents many a stumble over the uneven ground.

This world through which we travel is full of the darkness of sin; snares and temptations lie in the Christian's path; but if he carries with him the lamp of God's Word and gives heed to its light, it will show him where the danger lies, and so keep him from falling.

"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Ps. 119, 105.

ABSOLVED IN CHRIST.

As God punished our sins in Christ, because they were cast upon Him and imputed to Him as our substitute, so, in like manner, by arising Him up from the dead, He, by His very deed, absolved Him from our sins that were imputed to Him, and hence, in Him He has absolved us.

AMONG OUR DEAF.

Chicago.—Mr. and Mrs. Eberhard Weinrich are the proud and happy parents of a boy since January 23rd. On February 6th they had him baptized at their home in Arlington Heights, Ill., 22 miles northwest of Chicago, and had him named Martin, Oscar, Ernst.

Miss Mary Murgas of Cando, North Dakota, was a devout attendant at our service Feb. 13th. We hope that she finds employment in our city and becomes a regular, faithful member of our flock.

Our next service with holy communion will be held on Easter Day.—

Milwaukee.—Public confirmation will be held in Emmanuel Chapel on Palm Sunday, March 20th. Mr. Arthur Nolte, after receiving semi-weekly instructions in the Catechism, will renew his baptismal promise. He is a pupil at the Milwaukee Day School and has been taught by the lip and sign-methods. Consequently confirmation services will be held orally as well as by the sign-language.

Tickets are out for the Social and Coffee to be given by the Ladies' Society of our congregation on April 3rd, the Sunday after Easter. This is the ninth Social given by the Ladies' Society celebrating the dedication of our church so many years ago, having been dedicated the Sunday after Easter in 1901.

Special services will be held in our church on Good Friday at 8 o'clock P. M.

On Sunday, February 27, Pastor Wangerin baptized the infant boy of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hebard at Kenosha, which ceremony was attended by many local deaf. Before the baptism the pastor held Lenten services which were well attended.—

St. Louis.—Owing to Pastor Schubkegel's recent illness with LaGrippe no news have been received from St. Louis this month. For the same reason also the services at St. Charles had to be dropped the first Sunday of February.

Minneapolis.—The lecture on "Dr. Martin Luther" which was given on the 12th of February in Trinity Church was attended by 26 deaf. The collection for the benefit of our work among the deaf of the Twin Cities amounted to \$1.46.

On the 14th of Feb. Mr. Thomas Hancuff and Miss Clara Johnson were united in holy matrimony at the pastor's home. May our dear Savior be with them with His grace and blessing!

Good Friday services will be held in Minneapolis on the 25th of March at 8 P. M. "O come together let us mourn; Christ, our Lord, is crucified."—Easter services will be held on Easter Sunday, March 27, in Minneapolis at 11 A. M., in Stillwater at 3:30 P. M., and in St. Paul at 7:30 P. M. May many deaf attend these Easter services and with all Christians rejoice:

"I know that my Redeemer lives!

What comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead,

He lives, my everlasting Head!"—

Toledo.—Trinity Congregation for the Deaf holds its services on the first Sunday of the month at 2:30 P. M. The Bible class meets on the Thursday between the second and third Sunday of the month, and at present is read-

ing Bible Histories of the Old Testament. Also the necessary business of the little flock is transacted in these meetings. This mission now numbers 17 communicant members. Mr. Reddington has been elected treasurer and receives the monthly contributions. Miss Stadler now under instruction for confirmation is unable to attend the service owing to serious sickness of three members in her family. Mr. Fromm is recovering from an attack of pleurisy.—

Cleveland.—Services at Cleveland are held on the last Sunday of the month. The Ladies' Aid Society, whose purpose is to aid the Home of the Aged and Infirm Deaf, has kindly transferred its monthly meetings to another Sunday in order to enable its members to attend the services without failing to meet their obligations to the society. Services are held in the chapel of Rev. Zorn's congregation which will accomodate 400 people. No more appropriate place of meeting could be found. From 2 to 3 o'clock the Bible class meets which is attended by an average of ten deaf, including such as are already members of the Lutheran Church. The average attendance at the services has been 15 deaf. May God continue to be with us with His guidance and blessings to the souls' salvation of many deaf.—

Kansas City, Mo.—This year has been very encouraging for our mission in Kansas City. Church attendance has been very good and all members seem to take a lively interest in the welfare of our church. That is the way it ought to be. Every member ought to be regular in attending services and also aid in bringing others to church. A friendly invitation to attend services next Sunday, a kind word spoken for our cause will do a great deal to swell the attendance at church.

Misses Grace and Fannie Schaefer whose home is in Windsor, Mo., and who came to Kansas City, a few months ago for a visit among friends, have decided to stay in this city. A month ago they joined the Bible class and are now being instructed in the Catechism with the intention of being confirmed and becoming communicant members of our church. May God bless their study of His Word and make them diligent learners thereof.—

SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Congregation of Our Savior, Crystal St., near North Hoyne Ave., Northwest Side. Services every Sunday, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. Arth. Reinke, 2127 Crystal St., Chicago, Ill.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Lutheran Zions Church, 21st and Benton Sts. Services every second and fourth Sunday of the month, by Rev. C. Schubkegel, 2936a Madison St., St. Louis, Mo.

ST. CHARLES, MO.

Services every first Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., at Mr. W. Meyer's residence, 510 Clay St., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Services every third Sunday of the month, at 8 P. M., in the church, corner Ohio and North East Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Service every Friday before the third Sunday of the month, at 8 P. M., in the Lutheran School, by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Congregation of Our Savior for the Deaf. Services every third Sunday of the month, at 2 P. M., in the church, E. Broadway and Underhill Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

TOLEDO, O.

Trinity Lutheran Mission for the Deaf. Services in church, corner Vance and Ewing Sts., the first Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll, c. o. Carlton, Toledo, O.

FINDLAY, O.

Services in the homes of the deaf by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

LIMA, O.

Services the second Sunday of the month in the church, corner Kibby and Jackson Sts., at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

CLEVELAND, O.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

FORT WAYNE, IND.

St. John's Lutheran Congregation for the Deaf. Services the second Sunday of the month in St. Paul's Chapel, corner Barr and Madison Sts., at 7 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

PERU, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

DETROIT, MICH.

Services for the deaf the third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M. in the church, corner Gratiot and Rivard Sts., by Rev. A. Boll.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Y. M. C. A. Building. Services every Sunday, at 11 A. M., by Rev. J. Salvner, 2115 9th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

St. John's Lutheran Church, corner Hope and Margaret Sts. Services every Sunday, excepting the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

STILLWATER, MINN.

Salem Lutheran Church, corner 4th and Oak Sts. Services the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

WINONA, MINN.

Services on the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of every month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8:15 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

LA CROSSE, WIS.

Services every third Wednesday of the month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

ELKHART, IND.

Trinity Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus, 119 Clinton St., Hammond, Ind.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

St. Paul's Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Services at Lutheran Church, 16th and Cherry Sts., every first and third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen, 1400 Tracy Ave.

OMAHA, NEBR.

Services at Lutheran Church, corner 28th and Parker Sts., every last Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Emmanuel Chapel for the Deaf, 1711 Meinecke Ave. Divine services every Sunday, at 10 A. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin, 1711 Meinecke Ave.

RACINE, WIS.

Services every last Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., corner Kewaunee and North Erie Sts., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

Services every four weeks at the homes of the deaf, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

OSHKOSH, WIS.

Services every four weeks, 226 Bowen St., at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

NEENAH, WIS.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. T. Wangerin.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, NORTH DETROIT, MICH.

The object of this school is to give its pupils a thorough Christian and common education. The regular course of instruction occupies from 7 to 8 years. Children are admitted from the age of 8 years on. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from, Rev. Wm. Gielow, Supt., North Detroit, Mich.