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Christmas Hymn.

Rejoice, O soul!
Thy burden roll
Upon the arms extended;
His natal day
Returns to say
Thy God hath thee befriended.

Sing loud and clear,
Uproot thy fear,
Joy without bound or measure
Should fill thy heart,
If thou hast part
In this glad Christmas treasure.

Let on thy face
The smile of grace
Speak of the heart's thanksgiving.
The Father's gift
Thy soul should lift
And show in all thy living.

Jesus the Lord,
Our own Adored,
Brought only joy from heaven.
There is no gloom
Within the tomb
For those who are forgiven.

Then sigh no more,
But from thy store
Bring sunshine to the weary.
Each child of God
Who has the Word
Should make some life less dreary.

—Selected.

Greetings!

To all our beloved readers and benefactors we wish a blessed Christmas and a bright, prosperous, New Year. Remember us and our mission in your prayers as heretofore.

An Idol-Festival.

A missionary gives the following description of an Idol-Festival which he witnessed in India:

"I once attended an Idol-Festival at Madras which was celebrated in a great temple.

"At sunrise the roads were already lined with wagons and people coming from all parts of the country.

"The first that attracted my attention was an old woman lying in the dust, her face, which had been painted, exposed to the burning sun.

"At a short distance from her lay a man in a hedge fence calling to his idols.

"Farther on I saw six little children sitting in the dust clapping their hands and singing as if praying to a man who stood near them.

"Then I passed a child, whose eyes had been pierced out by the mother, lying on the roadside without any clothing on, also exposed to the burning sun. Near this lay another child in the same state, with its arms and legs broken. Another lay bleeding in a brush-pile, crying pitifully. A little boy, with his feet tied up to his head was another pitiful sight. Passing on I saw many whose eyes had been taken out and their bones broken.

"As I neared the temple I saw many sights like these described, and instead of going on, I took another road and went back to my lodging-place, praying that the light of the Gospel may soon reach the hearts of these people."

Good Tidings.

The Christmas tidings are good tidings, for they tell us of the Savior's birth. They are good tidings, for the Savior whose birth they make known is the Savior of all sinners. If there were one exception, then each sinner might think himself that one, and the tidings would not be good tidings for him. But there is not one excepted. No one has any ground

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for thinking that the Christmas blessing, and Christmas joy, and Christmas peace are only for better and holier people than he. They are for sinners, for all sinners. There is none excepted. Jesus, whose birth the Christmas tidings proclaim, "came to seek and to save that which is lost." All are lost. "There is none righteous, no, not one." There is none excepted. So Jesus came to seek and to save all. There is none excepted. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." All are sinners. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." There is none excepted. So Christ Jesus came to save all. There is none excepted. Therefore the angel who made known the Savior's birth plainly said, "I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." There is none shut out. To all people—to the learned and the unlearned, to the high and the low, to the rich and the poor, to the old and the young, to the colored and the white, to the greatest sinner—to every sinner the good Christmas tidings bring the Savior from sin and woe. "Whosoever"—no

matter who he is and what he is—"whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

The good tidings are for **you**. Believe them, and your heart will be filled with true Christmas joy. The Savior born at Bethlehem came to save **you**. Receive Him as **your** Savior, and you will find in Him all that your soul needs for time and eternity.

"Christ is come to be thy Light
Shining through the darkest night;
He will make thy pilgrim way
Shine unto the perfect day.
Take the message! Let it be
Full of Christmas joy to thee."

AMONG OUR DEAF.

St. Joseph, Mich.—Since June, 1913, services have been conducted every month by Pastor Uhlig and the deaf have all been faithful and regular attendants. On Oct. 22 the missionary was agreeably surprised to find three more deaf who have come to St. Joseph to live and who expressed their determination to be regular attendants. After the service the deaf presented the pastor with an engraved silver loving cup for his infant son showing their appreciation of the fact that they are regularly being supplied with the Word. Nov. 12 the missionary received a card from one of the St. Joseph deaf, reading: "The next time you come to St. Joe, please bring a catechism along for me and make arrangements to give me instruction in God's Word." This is the first request of this kind, and it fills one with joy, as it bears out the statement of the Holy Spirit, spoken by the mouth of Isaiah: "My Word shall not return unto Me void, but shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it!" May God continue to prosper His Word here for the good of blood-bought soul and to the praise of His holy name.

Bremen, Ind.—On Oct. 20 Pastor Uhlig preached a sermon to the five deaf of Bremen, Ind., one of whom was a member of our South Bend flock until last year. The service was conducted in the local Lutheran church, Pastor W. Roesener. Many hearing friends had assembled; a collection approaching the \$20 figure was raised for our mission. As the five deaf earnestly prayed for monthly services and as

there are prospects of reaching a number of neighboring deaf, the arrangement was made to preach at Bremen every third Wednesday of the month. May this little preaching station serve the purpose of being a recruiting station for soldiers of the Cross!

Milwaukee.—Mr. Hubert Suhr of Hustisford, and Miss Sadie Thomas of Eastman, Wis., were married on Thanksgiving day by Rev. T. Wangerin at the home of the bride, near Prairie du Chien, Wis. In the absence of Pastor Wangerin, the Rev. N. Uhlig of Chicago conducted Thanksgiving services in Emmanuel Chapel.

We are in receipt of several communications from our Pacific Coast Missionary, the Rev. N. Jensen, letters which indicate the necessity of Lutheran missionary work among the deaf along the coast. Here are a few extracts: "Los Angeles was an inspiration to me." "Superintendents of State Schools do all to help our cause along." "Things look brighter than when I first came out here." "This is great territory for our mission. The deaf are very glad that we have finally sent them a man." Good news, indeed! Reader rejoice! and ask God's blessings on the labors of our missionary as well as for the deaf "beyond the mountains."

Oshkosh.—On November 11th, Mr. and Mrs. F. Trowbridge were confirmed in our mission at Oshkosh by Pastor Wangerin. May they advance in wisdom and in favor with God and man. We now have 11 communicants at Oshkosh.

Subscribers to The Deaf Lutheran will please heed the special notice in this issue of the paper.

Recently Rev. T. M. Wangerin, for eighteen years missionary among the Lutheran deaf-mutes, in Milwaukee addressed the Hope Men's Club, giving an exceedingly interesting survey of the soul-saving work of the Missouri Synod among the deaf. His lecture was replete with personal experiences, and was highly commented upon by all present.—Northern Lutheran.

Emmanuel Congregation at Milwaukee will celebrate Christmas with a morning and afternoon service. For the afternoon celebration, which is to be a joint service, a program has been completed in which the children of the members will take an active part. Hymns will

be sung, a catechisation will be held, recitations rendered both in the oral and sign-languages, and an address will be delivered by the pastor for the deaf as well as the hearing, which is to be followed by the distribution of gifts. A thorough drill has been gone through with the children, and a good attendance is expected. The collection taken up in this service is for benevolent purposes.

Minneapolis.—Undoubtedly it will fill the hearts of our readers with joy to hear that services have been held with the deaf of two more cities. On the 29th of October your missionary of Minneapolis went to Lake City at the invitation of Rev. Mr. Franzmann. The members of the congregation had been invited and a fair number came to attend this service. At first, a lecture on our work among the deaf and then a service was held with the deaf. Six deaf, two of them from Red Wing, were present in this service. The collection from our hearing friends for our work in Minneapolis amounted to about \$10.00. We also received \$1.85 from the deaf for our mission. After the service the pastor and the deaf were busy talking for a long time. All deaf expressed the wish to have regular services. For the present time the missionary could promise them but one service every two months. It was also concluded to have the next service in Red Wing which took place on the 18th of November in the Lutheran Church of which Rev. J. Baumann is pastor. Again a number of hearing friends had assembled and therefore also here a lecture in the interest of our mission was given. A collection for our mission will be taken up later. After the lecture a sermon was preached to six deaf, two of whom had come from Lake City. The deaf contributed \$2.10 for our mission. Among the deaf in Lake City and Red Wing there are four deaf confirmed in the Lutheran Church. In January services with Holy Communion will be held in Lake City.

We heartily thank the pastors of Lake City and Red Wing and their congregations for their kindness shown unto us during our stay there and hope they will always remember the deaf and their pastor in their prayers.

On the 28th of October a lecture was given in Rev. H. Boettcher's congregation at Gibbon.

The service was well attended and it was a great pleasure to us to tell so many hearing friends of our blessed work among the deaf. The collection amounted to \$16.85. We also received several subscriptions. Heartly thanks to pastor and congregation!

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of \$3.00 for our church fund from Rev. Meichsner's Sunday School and of \$5.00 collected at the wedding of Mrs. Salvner's sister Clara of Saginaw. May God reward the kind givers!

New York.—During the last quarter it was the pleasure of the writer to pay a visit to the deaf at Kingston, N. Y. In the morning he addressed the hearing congregation in German and for the afternoon the deaf had been invited for a service. Kingston and vicinity deaf are comparatively few, but we had the pleasure of meeting 12 of them. For the benefit of the audience the signs were accompanied by spoken words. The afternoon offering was given to the New York congregation for the deaf which they have added to their fund. It amounted to \$17.50. Mr. Winne from Kingston has been a frequent visitor at our services in New York.

This year we are preparing a large number of deaf for confirmation. Distance demanded that they be divided into several classes. Among them are some pupils from the New York State School for the Deaf.

SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Congregation of Our Savior, Crystal St., near North Hoyne Ave., Northwest Side. Services every Sunday, at 10:30 a. m. Oral Sunday School, 9:30 a. m., by Rev. N. P. Uhlig, 1431 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago, Ill.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

Services the 3rd Tuesday of each month, by Rev. N. Uhlig.

ST. JOSEPH, MICH.

Services Thursday following the third Tuesday of every month at the German-Lutheran Church, by Rev. N. Uhlig.

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Services every Sunday at 3 p. m., St. Mathew's Lutheran Church, Elizabeth and Broome Sts., by Rev. A. Boll, 315 Fenimore, Brooklyn, N. Y.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Lutheran Zions School, 20th and Benton Sts. Services every second and fourth Sunday of the month, by the Rev. C. Schubkegel, 4218a Maffit Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

ST. CHARLES, MO.

Services every first Sunday of the month by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Services by special appointment, in the church, corner Ohio and North East Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Congregation of Our Savior for the Deaf. Services by special appointment, 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. O. Schroeder.

FINDLAY, O.

Services in the homes of the deaf by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

LIMA, O.

Services the second Sunday of the month in the church, corner Kibby and Jackson Sts., at 2:30 p. m., by Rev. O. Schroeder.

CLEVELAND, O.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

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. O. Schroeder.

PERU, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

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. O. Schroeder, 1432 Kerchival Ave.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Y. M. C. A. Building. Services every Sunday, at 11 a. m., by Rev. J. Salvner, 2418 N. Emerson Ave., 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 St. Martin's Lutheran Church, 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.

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. L. Jagels, 2020 Spence Ave., Kansas City, Kans.

OMAHA, NEBR.

Services at Lutheran Church, corner 25th and Evans Sts., every last Sunday of the month, at 3 p. m., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

SIOUX CITY, IA., TOPEKA AND WICHITA, KANS.

Services by special appointment by Rev. L. Jagels.

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.

Oral Sunday School from 9 to 10 a. m.

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.

Monthly services the 3rd Tuesday at St. Mark's Church, at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

OSHKOSH, WIS.

Monthly services the 2nd Wednesday, 226 Bowen St., at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

WAUSAU and MERRILL, WIS.

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

SEATTLE, WASH.

Services every first Sunday of the month at 3 p. m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, corner E. Union St. and 22nd Ave., by Rev. Oscar Fedder, 2116 E. Union St.

TACOMA, WASH.

Services every third Sunday of the month at 3 p. m. in Zion Lutheran Church, corner 16th St. S. & L St., by Rev. Oscar Fedder.

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. Giele-Supt., North Detroit, Mich.