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### The Green Leaves.

The warm season is approaching. Spring is here with its beauties of nature. Fields and forests are clad in verdure. Sweet scented flowers are blooming. The human heart, beholding the wonders of nature, expands in rapture; the worry and the sorrows of life seem to diminish, while the eye gazes upon the fresh greenness. The heart feels the pulsation of nature, as new life throbs through its thousand veins. After the dead of winter, the life of summer is apparent.

Nature's awakening preaches a powerful sermon to the Christian. He sees in it the handiwork of Him who is Life and admires the footsteps of the Almighty in forest, field, and glen. Confessing that he believes that God has made him and all creatures, he delights to consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.

To some the lure of the green leaves appeals so strongly, especially on Sunday mornings, that they invariably go in search of the green to the parks, the fields, the forest, the lakeside. They say they want to feel nature's pulse and the new life of spring. Their love for the green leaves of the trees and the green blades of grass of the pastures and the waters of some lake or river makes them forget other green leaves, green pastures, and quiet waters, of which David says in the 23rd Psalm: "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters." To many the green leaves of the tree seem more precious in spring and summer than the leaves of the Bible. Yet the Bible is the tree of life everlasting; "and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations," Rev. 22:2. Your Bible may be an heirloom, and its leaves yellow and worn; yet by virtue of the message they convey, they are green leaves, full of life and

strength. The green leaves of the trees lose their life after a few months; the so-called evergreen tree dies in the course of years; but the leaves of your Bible are ever and ever green and alive. They make you know the one true God and Him whom God has sent; "And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." John 17:3. And so, speaking literally, the leaves of the Bible are for the healing of the nations. They truly are green leaves.

Let us not forsake the Word of God on the beautiful Sundays but consider it more precious than the quickly withering leaf on the tree. Let us honor it by reading it and obeying it. And let us not say, "I will read it in the woods," for then we would not be obeying it, for it says that we should **hear** it. "Blessed are they that **hear** the Word of God and keep it." Luke 11, 28. "O Land, Land, Land, hear the Word of the Lord!" Jer. 22: 29.

### Peace.

"Can I do anything for you?" said an officer in one of our gory battles in America, during that awful conflict, to one of the lads in blue, whose life was trickling away upon the green sward.

"Nothing," said the dying soldier, "nothing!"

"Shall I get you a little water?"

"No, thank you, I am dying."

"Is there nothing I can do?" said the officer, "shall I write a letter to your friends?"

"No, I have no friends that you can write to. But there is one thing I should be much obliged to you for. In my knapsack you will find a Testament. Open it at the 14th chapter of St. John, and near the end you will find a

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**NOTICE!**

The Deaf Lutheran kindly asks the pardon of its readers for having put in its appearance tardily during the last three months. It will try to meet its readers promptly at the beginning of each month henceforth, and it hopes to be able to bring good news from the harvest field.

Rev. T. M. Wangerin is forced to seek relief and rest and has asked the undersigned to take charge of the paper, until the Ephphatha Conference meets in September and appoints another editor.

Contributors and exchanges please note, therefore, that the office of The Deaf Lutheran is, until further notice, at 1431 North Fairfield Ave., Chicago, Ill. **Rev. N. P. Uhlig.**

passage that begins with the word 'Peace.' Please read it."

The officer took up the blood-stained haversack, took out the Testament, and turned to that chapter which your pastor has read so often, which is a lamp in the valley of the shadow of death, the matchless 14th chapter of John, and he read: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

"Thank you, sir," said the dying man; "I have that peace; I am going to the Savior." And winging its way from the poor, bleeding body, the spirit ascended; and, as Noah stretched out his hand to the dove, the infinite Love grasped him and drew him in. For him to live was Christ; for him to die was gain—gain everlasting!—Ex.

There is not a moment without some duty.

**Who Was to Blame?**

A baker living in a village not far from Quebec bought his butter from a neighboring farmer. One day he became suspicious that the butter was not the right weight and, therefore, decided to satisfy himself as to whether the farmer was honest or not. For several days he weighed the butter, and then found that the rolls of butter the farmer brought were gradually diminishing in weight. This angered him so that he had the farmer arrested on a charge of fraudulent dealing.

"I presume you have scales?" the judge said, inquiringly.

"Yes, of course, your honor."

"And weights too, I presume?"

"No, sir."

"How, then, do you manage to weigh the butter which you sell?"

"That's easily explained, your honor," replied the farmer. "When the baker commenced buying his butter of me, I thought I'd get my bread from him, and it's the one-pound loaf I've been getting there that I've been using as a weight for the butter I sell to him. If the weight of the butter has been wrong he has himself to blame, not me."—Christian Youth.

The longest life cannot afford a single year to be thrown away.

**New Strength Through Prayer.**

The common water spider, not unfrequently found in deep ditches and ponds in some parts of England, is a very interesting animal in more than one respect. One of its peculiar habits is to rise to the surface of the water now and then to get a fresh supply of air; for though it lives in water, it breathes just like other spiders do. Every time it comes to the surface it takes down with it a tiny globule of air with which it surrounds itself. When this supply of air is used up, it comes up to the surface for a fresh supply. Thus it is enabled to live under the water.

We Christians are living in the world as in a strange element; we are in the world but not of the world. On all sides we are surrounded by an atmosphere of worldliness that threatens to

smother us. Let us rise up beyond the worldliness about us on the wings of prayer and get new strength from hour to hour as we need it.

The little water spider has its task set by its Maker down under the water, where it constructs its web among the stems and leaves of aquatic plants. So God has also given us our tasks in this world. Some of us must work in stores, others in factories. But wherever we may work, we shall probably be thrown together with evil fellow-workmen. Then let us remember how the water spider maintains its life under the water by rising again and again for a fresh supply of air. Wherever we may be in the midst of our daily task, let us lift up our hearts to God in prayer and rest assured that He will always give us help.

#### Too Charitable.

An African preacher, speaking from the words, "What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" mentioned among other things that many lost their souls by being too charitable! Seeing the congregation astonished beyond measure at his saying it, he very emphatically repeated it, and then proceeded to explain his meaning. "Many people," said he, "attend meeting and hear the sermon; and when it is over, they proceed to divide it out among the congregation: This part was for that man, that part was for that woman, and such denunciations were for such persons, these threats for you sinners,—and so," continued the shrewd African, "they give away the whole sermon and keep none for themselves."

#### Among our Deaf.

**Seattle.**—"At the conclusion of his services last Sunday, May 2, Rev. Jensen announced that Rev. E. G. Nachtsheim of Minneapolis, Minn., president of the board of missions of the Lutheran organization, would make a tour of the west in July to look over the newly established mission field which Rev. Jensen is now covering."—"The Observer."

**Chicago.**—Dorothy Josephine, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kraft, was by baptism made a member of Christ's Church on May 15. Evelyn Elsie Emily Wolff was bap-

tized on May 6. Her mother, Mrs. Albert Wolff, is a hearing sister of Mr. H. Kraft, our member. May Jesus, who has received these children by the washing of regeneration, ever abide with them, until they obtain the promised kingdom!

The Ladies' Aid Society gave a coffee and ice cream social in the hall of the church on May 26. This was the first function in the hall which has just been thoroughly repaired, and it was a very pleasant event. One of the objects of the social was to gain members for the society. The L. A. S. meets at two o'clock in the afternoon of the last Thursday of every month. The afternoon is spent sewing. Supper is served at a very nominal charge to the members and to their husbands and friends who repair there after work. Thus the husband is not inconvenienced by his wife's attending the meeting of the society and is right there to escort his wife home after the business meeting which must be held in the evening, as some of the members can not be present in the afternoon because they work in shops and factories.

**Red Wing, Minn.**—On the 13th of May, at Red Wing, Adeline Harriet Marie, the daughter of Mrs. L. Hirschfield, was baptized and so became a member of Christ. She is a niece of Miss Alma Hagerstrom who is a member of our mission in Red Wing. In the evening, Lord's Supper was celebrated with four deaf. Rev. J. Baumann on that evening preached on the ascension of Christ, and his sermon was interpreted to 8 deaf by Pastor Salvner.

**Gaylord, Minn.**—In Gaylord, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuske of Arlington were confirmed on the evening of the 7th of May. A large number of our hearing friends had assembled for the occasion. After confirmation, Lord's Supper was administered to these two new members and also to four other deaf. We now have six communicants in Gaylord-Arlington. Another deaf person of Gaylord is now being prepared for confirmation. The collection for our deaf congregation in Minneapolis amounted to \$20.21. Hearty thanks to pastor and congregation! May God keep these two new members and us all steadfast in His Word and faith.

**Minneapolis.**—On the 24th of April, services were held in Duluth with 18 deaf. Six deaf partook of the Lord's Supper. After the service, nearly all the deaf went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Swanson to witness the baptism of little Mary Edna. May God keep her in His grace unto life everlasting.

On the 26th of April, the ground was broken for our building. The foundation has been completed, and the carpenters are now at work. May God's blessing rest also upon this undertaking. We acknowledge with thanks for our fund the receipt of \$1.75 from Miss Alma E. Schmidt of Worthington, Minn.; of \$1.00 each from Mr. Geo. Kohler, Lansing, Mich., Mrs. A. Johr, Gaylord, Minn., Miss Kath. Seidel, Saginaw, Mich., and \$15.00 each from John P. Seidel and George Seidel, Saginaw, Mich. With the renewal of his subscription to the Deaf Lutheran, Mr. John Baumann sent us \$1.75 for our mission. May God reward all these kind givers.

#### SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

##### SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND, CAL.

Services on the third Sunday of the month. San Francisco: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Eddy and Gough Sts., 7:45 p. m. Oakland: Zion's Lutheran Church, 12th and Myrtle Sts., 3 p. m. Rev. N. F. Jensen, 1319 12th St., Oakland, Cal.

##### LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Services at Trinity Lutheran Church, W. 18th and Cherry Sts., every last Sunday of the month, at 3 p. m., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### PORTLAND, OREGON.

Services at Trinity Lutheran Church, Williams St. and Graham Ave., every second Sunday of the month, at 3 p. m., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### SEATTLE, WASH.

Services at Trinity Lutheran Church, 22nd Ave and E. Union St., every first Sunday of the month, 3 p. m., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### TACOMA, WASH.

Services at Y. W. C. A., first Sunday of month, at 11 a. m., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### SPOKANE, WASH.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### 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 Grace Church, cor. Garrison and St. Louis Ave. 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, 476 Lyncastle 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.

##### 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.