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And when they (the wise men) were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him, and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. - Matt. 2. 11.

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EDITORIAL

Church Contributions

In the past months our Church has made an attempt to enlist the financial support of all its communicant members toward Synod's educational and missionary enterprises. Our Lutheran communicants among the deaf also should regard such campaigns as opportunities to share in the glorious work of the Church, which builds the temple of the living God. Each and every one of our members should respond to such appeals and do his share. If all the communicant members do not help, some must do more than their share, and, therefore, be overburdened. Our Lutheran deaf must also learn the blessedness of giving. The number of their good works should increase as they grow in the understanding of the Scriptures. Our members could easily arrange to introduce or to extend in their congregations and mission stations the envelope system of collection. This would be a great step forward in the problem of securing regular contributions toward Synod's and local needs.

Recently we received a letter from one of our missionaries in which he gave an inspiring example of the right Christian spirit of giving and sacrificing for the Church. The Rev. J. Beyer writes as follows:

"A deaf couple was obliged to build a modest little home, because people did not wish to rent their rooms to them: their four boys were too well-filled with life. The money was borrowed and the shack was built, but when winter came the father was without work. The mother tried to make ends meet by sewing clothes for the children. The sewing machine was old and worn out. A new one was bought on time. Taxes and payments on the lot as well as on the sewing machine had to be met, but their was no income. The grocery bills were mounting. They began to fear that they might be compelled to give up their home. On my visit to their home I spoke to them about the progress of our chapel building operations at that particular time. They, too, had pledged a dollar a week for one year, but had paid only for a few weeks. The other contribution envelopes were neatly tied up and marked as to the amount due. A similar package of envelopes was ready all counted up showing the sum due for the support of the work among the deaf. Their weekly pledge calls for 25cts. How they would like to give!"

Friend, if you are sincere in your Christianity, you also will consider it a privilege to support your Church financially. Your material possessions have been given to you by God. You are to act as His steward in the administration of these earthly treasures. God desires that you use them to the glory of His name in the service of your fellowmen. Your financial contributions toward the building of His temple may be to you the yardstick with which you are able to measure the sincerity of your love for the Savior and His By contributing according to your work. means you show your gratitude and sincerity of belief, and God desires to see these fruits of your faith.

Through the preaching of the Gospel the Church leads lost, unhappy sinners to joy and blessedness in the Savior. It brings to troubled hearts the comfort of God's Word in the trials of this life, and leads them to everlasting joys in heaven. Your money cannot be invested in any cause superior to that of " Church. Be liberal, therefore, contribute regularly and gladly to the building of the temple of the true God, which is the world's most important business. Jesus says: "With what measure ye mete, it will be measured to you again." Matt. 7:2. That promise refers not only to eternity, but also to this life. In the measure that you give to the Church in that same measure God promises to prosper and bless you in body and soul. If you accept God's promises, you will experience the O. C. S. truth of His statements.

In these days of religious indifference and juvenile crime waves our fellow citizens will do well to bear in mind, when celebrating Washington's birthday on February 22nd, the following words of this great statesman and soldier, which he uttered in his Farewell Address: "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensible supports. . . And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can persist in exclusion of religious principle."

O. C. S.

The Rev. Geo. Gaertner, our Seattle missionary, asks: "Is our paper, The Deaf Lutheran, of any value to the deaf?" He then replies to the question: "A deaf woman of Seattle has saved all the editions for the past twelve years." The purpose of our paper is to promote knowledge of the teachings of the Bible and to give information regarding Synod's work at home and abroad. We hope that our efforts meet with some success.

O. C. S.

STUDIES IN THE CHIEF TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE AND CATECHISM God the Father

We believe in the Triune (three in one) God: One God and three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Many will tell you: "Also we believe in the Holy Trinity," but if we question them a little more closely you will find they believe not in the Triune God of the Bible. They will tell you the three in God are not three persons, but three different ways of God's manifesting (showing) Himself unto men, as water manifests itself as a liquid, steam, or ice. This is what a teacher of "Unity" once told us. But the Bible plainly teaches that there are three distinct (different) persons in God. Let us see what the Bible says about each of the three persons. To-day let us learn the teaching of the Bible and Catechism about the Father, the first person.

The first person is called "Father" in the Bible. In John 5, 20 Jesus says: "The Father loveth the Son." And the risen Savior said to Mary in John 20, 17: "Touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to My Father." Also read Christ's prayer to the Father in John 17. Six times we find the name "Father" in this beautiful prayer. And this Father is true God. In John 17 Jesus says: "This is eternal life, that they might know **Thee the only true God**, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." And Peter writes: "Blessed be **the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ," 1 Peter 1, 3. The first person, the Father, is true God.

And why is He called "Father?" Because He is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Father says to the Son: "Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee." Ps. 2. And John 1, 14 we read, "We beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father." The Father has begotten the Son from everlasting, He is not begotten like the Son, and therefore is not the Son.

And the Father also is not the Holy Ghost. We read: "The Spirit of truth which proceedeth (comes out) from the Father," John 15, 26. And of this God the Father Paul writes: "God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son." The Father is not the Spirit, the Spirit proceeds from the Father, but not the Father from the Spirit.

Of this God the Father the Bible says that He made all things. Paul writes: "To us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in Him." 1 Cor. 8, 6. And Hebrews 1, 2 says: "By whom (the Son) also He (the Father) made the worlds." The Father made us, therefore He is also our Father, as Jesus says: "I ascend (go) unto My Father, and your Father." The Father is the true God and Maker of heaven and earth, but He is not the Son and not the Holy Ghost.

And this is the teaching also of Luther's Catechism. In the First Article we confess: "I believe in God the Father Almighty Maker of heaven and earth." And in the explanation of the Second Article we say of Jesus Christ "begotten of the Father from eternity (everlasting)." In the Christian Questions we confess: "Christ died for me, and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of sins." And then the Catechism asks: "Did the Father also die for you?" and answers: "He did not." The Son died for me, but not the Father.

O the wonderful God! "Canst thou by searching find out God? Canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?" Job 11, 7. The Father is not the Son, for He is not begotten like the Son; He is not the Holy Ghost, for He does not proceed from the Son or Holy Spirit as the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father. And this Father has loved us and given us His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life; and then He so loved us that He sent His Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Come, let us bow our knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named! Eph. 3, 14-15. J. L. S.

HISTORY OF OUR LUTHERAN MISSION FOR THE DEAF Omaha Mission: State Schools

Readers who have followed our past sketches of work among the deaf, and rejoiced with us over the present favorable prospects in the Kansas City and Omaha fields, will appreciate an insight into the Rev. Mappes' manner of work in state schools. The Omaha (Nebraska) and Council Bluffs (Iowa) schools are close together, the cities are practically twin cities, and the missionary can visit them often. We offer a description of his work as gathered from his own account.

The Omaha school is visited twice a week, and the Council Bluffs school once a week. 28 pupils (Lutherans) at the Omaha school and 14 at the Council Bluffs school are being instructed (October, 1926). A class of 10 children at the Omaha school are receiving their third year of instruction in the Catechism in preparation for confirmation. In the Omaha school there are really three classes, of which two meet at the same time. First the Bible Class, consisting of confirmed children, is instructed. The class reads the Bible lesson verse for verse spelling out each word, then the missionary reads the verse in signs, explains it, and applies its meaning. Next we find the children of 8 to 15 in two classes. They learn portions of the Catechism, the smaller ones less, the confirmation class more.

All must recite their Catechism. Then the older ones recite Bible passages which they had assigned for study. Then comes questions on the lesson explained in the previous meeting. After that follows an explanation of the new lesson. We certainly agree with the missionary when he writes, "In that way the little ones also learn from the explanation and when they enter the confirmation class they are not so absolutely green." The deaf children at the Omaha school attending these classes have a wonderful opportunity for fairly thorough instruction in the faith of their fathers, and they should develop into very desirable church members, who will cling to the truths of the Bible and remain staunch Lutherans in all their life.

At the Council Bluffs school, with weekly visits, the missionary must have a different method. There the classes are combined. But the Bible Class work and Catechism explanation are done first, then the older ones are dismissed unless they wish to remain. Then the smaller children are instructed by means of Sunday School leaflets with pictures on one side and the simple explanation on the other side of the sheet. The missionary writes, "They surely take an interest in that, they can never wait until they get the new one." Our hearing friends and readers may here be reminded that the deaf children will get a much larger story out of the pictures in those leaflets than would our hearing children, the deaf-mute line of thought moves in successive and well defined pictures while our thoughts move to a great degree in a succession of words or very faint pictures.

When we thus view Rev. Mappes' work in his two state schools, we must regret that not every state school is within such easy access of the missionary who is preaching in that particular territory. Much could be done for the welfare of the deaf if we could have ready access to the deaf during their youth, to those coming from Lutheran homes as well as to those whose parents would be glad to have a Lutheran missionary give their children thorough religious instruction and gather them into the fold of the Christian Church. Our large cities with their centers and advocates for oralism for the deaf deprives us of such an opportunity, parents and teachers do not let their lip-reading children associate with sign-language deaf and send their young into their hearing Sunday schools where most of them benefit very little, certainly much less than the parents think. May the Lord encourage our missionaries in their work at schools, may His blessing upon this work lead the young deaf through Christ to a happy future here on earth as well as in heaven.

Before setting our faces against the cold winds of northern Minnesota and Canada, we wend our way over the hilly streets of Omaha into the missionary's home. Rev. Mappes also is married, in agreement with God's saying, "It is not good that the man should be alone." Mrs. Mappes uses signs more than spelling in conversing with the deaf, her husband says she understood the deaf quite well before she had learned to sign. We consider that unique and most commendable. It reminds us of learning to swim. We can learn all the motions and theory of swimming on a chair, but after all the best way is to learn in the water. So also we learn the sign-language best through association with the deaf, the seasoned preacher for the deaf will place his younger brother preparing for work among the deaf in the company of deaf to swim, or sign, with his own hands; and he that learns to understand the deaf in their language well before using the language himself gains much.

In these modern times of automobiles and aeroplanes distance does not mean so much, in our next article we shall meet you in Minneapolis, in the "Gopher State" some say, in "God's country" say others. We shall cruise about in three mission fields there before heading into the distant Northwest. A. C. D.

"WITH THE BEREANS"

"They (the Bereans) received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures (Bible) daily whether those things were so." Acts 17:11.

Readers of "The Deaf Lutheran" who are following our suggestion and are memorizing the Bible verses each week will naturally turn to the "book of the law, the Bible, to learn more about the Savior and life eternal which we receive through faith in Jesus. And in the "book of the law" we shall find that God's law is love.

Week of

- February 6 "Search ¹ the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify ² of ³ me." John 5: 39. ¹ Read, study ² tell ³ about
- February 13 "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." John 17:3.
- February 20 "Thou ¹ shalt ² love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Matt. 22: 37-39. ¹ You ² must
- February 27 "Let love be without dissimulation. ¹ Abhor ² that which is evil; cleave to ³ that which is good." ¹ Hypocrisy ² hate ³ work for J. A. C. B.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT OF DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM MISSIONARIES AND OTHER SOURCES

January 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926

- Rev. E. C. Baker—Racine, Wis., \$5.75; Oshkosh, Wis., \$16.05; Watertown, \$18.70; Manitowoc, \$16.65; Sheboygan, \$21.50; Madison, \$12.15; Merrill, \$5.25; Atlantic District, \$70.00; Middle West District, \$330.00; Central States District, \$228.60; Eastern Canada District, \$95.00.—Total: \$819.65.
- Rev. J. A. C. Beyer—Twin City Mission Festival, \$51.56; Mrs. M. Schultz, Portland, Ore., \$5.00; H. Lange, Shobonier, Ill., \$5.00; Stillwater, \$13.06; Winona, \$59.66; Dubuque, \$6.99; St. Paul, \$408.42; Eau Claire, \$29.26; Lake City, \$21.30; Superior, \$1.63; Rochester, \$22.55; Duluth, \$1.16; Mason City, \$7.54; Decorah, \$16.47; Rice Lake, \$11.61; Eastman, Wis., \$1.25; Echo, Minn., \$10.25; Fall Creek, Wis., \$80.50.—Total: \$753.21.
- Rev. Arthur Boll-Kingston, N.Y ., \$8.75; Albany, N. Y., \$11.80.-Total: \$20.55.
- Rev. A. C. Dahms—Flora Langlands, Corder, Mo., \$2.00; Bertha Miller, West Chicago, \$1.00; J.
 V. Nalikowsky, \$4.50; M. Steinkrauss, \$1.00;
 W. H. Miller, \$1.00; W. Hadder, \$1.00; Grand Rapids, \$43.92; South Bend, \$58.55; Elgin, \$6.06;
 Valparaiso, \$13.60; Kankakee, \$29.75; Crystal Lake, \$8.05; Chicago, \$6.36; Stuttgart, Kans., \$5.00.—Total: \$181.79.
- Rev. E. Eichmann—O. H. Fay, Treas., \$72.80; H. C. Wirth, Treas., \$28.00; T. A. Lindstrom, Salem, \$5.23; Portland, Ore., \$19.93; Salem, \$.95; Vancouver, Wash., \$13.16.—Total: \$140.07.

- Rev. A. E. Ferber—Miss M. Hauberg, Little Rock, Ark., \$1.00; Mrs. E. M. Albrecht, \$12.00; Atchison, \$7.95; Leavenworth, \$7.67; Kansas City, \$59.87; Lawrence, \$5.39; St. Joseph, \$18.28; Salina, \$22.57; Valley Falls, \$2.96; Springfield, \$9.35; Joplin, \$16.43; Duluth, \$2.65; Herrington, \$8.90; Pittsburgh, \$6.91.—Total: \$181.93.
- Rev. W. Ferber—Donations through "Deaf Lutheran," \$23.50; Cloquet, \$4.58; International Falls, \$5.76; Fargo, \$56.12; Duluth-Superior, \$26.29; Grand Forks, \$7.86; Bismarck, \$11.04; Devils Lake, \$5.67; Detroit Lakes, \$11.90; Red Lake Falls, \$22.40; Rice Lake, Wis., \$2.54; Wadena, \$3.25.—Total: \$180.91.
- Rev. C. G. Frice—Miss Berg, Missoula, Mont., \$10.00;
 W. A. Curl, Treas., \$11.85; E. W. Miland, Treas.,
 \$13.58; Spokane, \$37.57; Kenniwick, \$5.96; Boise,
 \$1.50; Yakima, \$1.40.—Total: \$81.86.
- Rev. G. W. Gaertner—A. W. Lorenz, Treas., Tacoma, Wash., \$36.86; E. W. Fredrickson, Treas., Everett, Wash., \$3.65; D. H. Krause, Treas., Anacortes, Wash., \$8.71; Anacortes, Wash., \$8.10— Total: \$57.32.
- Rev. L. Heinecke—Miscellaneous, \$83.46; New Castle, \$7.17; Johnstown, \$1.22; Pittsburgh, \$71.99; Buffalo, \$2.08.—Total: \$165.92.
- Rev. N. F. Jensen—Los Angeles, \$23.00; San Diego, \$10.00; Terra Bella, \$8.08; Fresno, \$1.50.—Total: \$42.58.
- Rev. E. Mappes—Lincoln, \$5.20; Sioux City, \$15.06; Ft. Dodge, \$42.80; Boone, \$5.60; Des Moines, \$4.72; Omaha, \$14.53; Wisner, \$.65.—Total: \$88.56.
- Rev. E. J. Scheibert—Toledo, \$44.65; Ft. Wayne, \$48.51; Saginaw, \$6.25; New Haven, \$33.80; Flint, \$.57.—Total: \$133.78.
- Rev. J. L. Salvner—Mrs. H. Bienert, Saginaw, Mich., \$1.00; Rev. W. T. Meier, Raymond, S. D., \$4.60; From Friends, \$28.70; Faribault, \$2.00; South Dakota School, \$1.06; Sioux Falls, \$52.22; Gaylord, \$34.50; Mitchell, \$49.06; Dawson, \$16.16; Watertown, \$7.31; Ortonville, \$13.85; Fergus Falls, \$4.55; Northrup, \$2.60.—Total: \$217.61.
- Rev. O. C. Schroeder—P. Hendrichs, \$10.00; Pittsburgh, Pa., Synodical Building Fund, \$24.00; Cleveland, Ohio, Synodical Building Fund, \$34.00; Pittsburgh, \$15.81; Cleveland, \$30.70; Findlay, \$14.64; Erie, \$4.85; Columbus, \$5.00; Fremont, \$3.37; Sandusky, \$2.25; Tiffin, \$2.26; Elyria, \$2.95; Mansfield, \$3.86; Medina, \$1.00.—Total: \$154.69.
- Rev. C. Schubkegel—Grace Congregation, Ladies' Aid, St. Louis, Mo., \$10.00; St. Louis, \$160.70; St. Charles, \$24.20; Jacksonville, \$7.32; Indianapolis, \$29.70; Louisville, \$23.00; Evansville, \$3.00—Total: \$257.92.
- Donations to Deaf Mute Mission-Mrs. R. M. Haas, New Orleans, La., \$2.50; E. Seuel, Synod Treas., from Deaf Mute Jubilee Fund Cent. District,

\$6.00; Deaf Mute Congregation, Chicago, \$10.00; S. C. Waeker, Treas., Montana District of Walther League, \$201.20; Hammond, Ind., Congregation, through Treas. Trier, \$31.00.

Donations to Detroit Chapel Fund-St. John's Church, St. Johnsburg, N. Y., \$28.69; Trinity Lutheran Congregation, Medina, N. Y., \$43.94; E. J. Geyer, Treas., Michigan District, \$101.81.

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MISSION NEWS

Seattle Mission—With the month of December we closed another blessed year. Sixteen members were united with the Lord by the solemn acts of baptism and confirmation, while three Lutherans of other circles moved into our district. In the five preaching stations under this charge we have 77 communicants and the number of deaf partaking of the Lord's Supper in the course of the year was three hundred. Six marriages were performed and five children baptized. The contributions for the year have surpassed any previous year. And the domestic lives of our deaf have accordingly been blessed as they attended to the work of the Lord.

At Tacoma, Mr. and Mrs. J. Key were united with the Lutheran Church and at present we are preparing Mr. E. Lichtenberg. Our plan to purchase a chapel at Tacoma was given up. The location was unsuited for a church and the building itself needed excessive repairs. Under the present situation it is impossible to conduct services without interference, and one can not expect people to stand in the rain half an hour before they can occupy the hall. A similar condition confronts us at Anacortes, Wash., were we have 18 attendants. For the past year we have been using the Swedish Lutheran Church which is without pastor, but as soon as the vacancy is filled we will be obliged to find another hall. Halls and churches are few there, but lots and lumber cheap, and for five hundred dollars a suitable frame hall for fifty attendants could be erected.

The Seattle congregation held three stereopticon lectures in the last year. The pictures shown were the Mission for the Deaf, Our Educational Institutions, and the Wheatridge Sanatarium. Generous contributions were made for these purposes and the desire for other lectures on this order was expressed. Our Seattle Chapel is conveniently constructed to give such lectures, for the operator and machine used for projection need not block our aisle, but occupy a room constructed above the main entrance. Messrs. E. Martin and J. Hood are successfully conducting our social programs which relieves the pastor. Seattle's attendance over the holiday season has been seventy for Christmas and New Year. We are using hymns regularly at our services and can boast of a chorus of ready signers. Mrs. E. Eaton takes a great interest in our Lutheran hymns and has a stock of 65 hymns committed to memory. Our congregational life is active and in the past year the voting members came regularly and the Ladies' Aid ran as high as 95%. We are now entering the tenth year of our congregational life as workers in the vineyard. The event will be celebrated with services and a social gathering. Mr. Wm. E. Brown, who followed Mr. J. Gustin as president will recall our past struggles and show us the blessings of God which should urge us onward.

Minneapolis Mission-With thanks to God for His bountiful blessings we again report of our work in the Minneapolis field. Fifty-six services were held in Minneapolis, 12 in Sioux Falls and in Mitchell, S. D., 11 in Gaylord, 8 in the South Dakota School, 7 in Dawson, 6 in Watertown, S. D., 4 in Faribault, 3 in Fergus Falls, 2 in Ortonville, and 1 in Northrop. Total: 122 services. - The average attendance in Minneapolis was 31, 15 in Sioux Falls, 11 in Mitchell, 5 in Gavlord and Ortonville, 31 in South Dakota School, 7 in Dawson, 3 in Watertown, Northrop, and Faribault. - Total number of communicants is 109: Minneapolis, 51; Sioux Falls, 26; Mitchell, 9; Gaylord and Dawson, 6; Ortonville, 4; Northrop, 3; Fergus Falls and Faribault, 2. The number of those who came to the Lord's Table is 316: Minneapolis, 194; Sioux Falls, 57; Mitchell, 25; Gaylord, 19; Ortonville, 8; Dawson, 6; Northrop, 3; Fergus Falls and Faribault, 2. - One child in Sioux Falls, one adult in Minneapolis and in Mitchell, and three adults in Dawson were baptized into Christ. Two were confirmed in Minneapolis, five in Mitchell, and four in Dawson. - Free-will offerings for God's work amounted to \$395.26 in Minneapolis; Sioux Falls, \$39.45; South Dakota School, \$2.68; Fergus Falls, \$4.55; Faribault, \$2.50; Gaylord, \$33.45; Mitchell, \$56.06; Dawson, \$17.16; Watertown, \$6.21; Ortonville, \$13.85; Northrop, \$2.60. - Our Minneapolis Bible Class met 26 times during 1926 with an average attendance of 9; the Minneapolis Oral Sundayschool was held 45 times with an average attendance of 7 and collections amounting to \$22.46. - Indeed, "the Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Ps. 126, 3. And our prayer for the new year is: "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it." Ps. 90, 17. Come, praise God with us and pray unto Him for us, Christian reader!

J. L. S.

Chicago Mission—December elections for 1927 resulted as follows:

Our Savior Congregation: President, J. H. Anderson; Vice-President, W. Michaelson; Secretary, B. Greenheck; Treasurer, Wm. C. Pearce (re-elected); Deacons, A. Carlson and C. Hayman; Trustees, J. Heinold, E. Weinrich, and H. Retzlaff; Auditors, H. Morisse and J. Miller; Janitor, W. Smith. The congregation will also add a third deacon, to be elected in February meeting; by-laws of the congregation will also be revised to fit changed conditions.

Ladies' Aid Society: President, Mrs. O. Lorenz; Secretary, Mrs. G. Anderson; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Myers.

Silent Lutheran Club: President, Mrs. W. Michaelson; Vice-President, E. C. Weinrich; Secretary, Mrs. A. Myers; Treasurer, Mr. W. Michaelson.

Christmas comes too late for us to report news in the January issue of the "Deaf Lutheran," so we bring some belated news now. — Our Ladies' Aid Society decided to pay for the Addressograph purchased by the congregation. — We are glad to see the treasuries of our congregation and societies in good condition, we shall need the money to carry out our plans in 1927.

Christmas services were very well attended this year. All the pews were crowded, and we were obliged to place chairs in the aisle to seat many visitors, including children there must have been 130 in the service. After the service a "festival" or Christmas party was held in the church basement for the entertainment of our children. Every child present received a box of candy and nuts, the children of our members received a present besides, and there were prizes for the winning children in the games arranged by our committee. — Also our New Year services were very well attended, the newly-elected officers were installed in this service, and a number of the members received the Lord's Supper on the threshold of the new year.

From the treasurer's annual report given in the January meeting of the congregation, we glean the following: Contributions for the regular church treasury \$957.20, for Debt Fund \$54.50, for Synod and Missions and Charity \$210.75, for Synodical Building Fund \$37.20. Total of all free-will offerings in 1926 was: \$1,159.65. In this report there is not included the special offering taken up by the trustees for the Christmas celebration and a gift to the pastor.

Being familiar with the congregation and realizing the extent of our parish and its peculiar conditions, we still see room for considerable improvement during the new year in several respects: there could be better and more regular attendance at church, there should be more frequent communion at the Lord's Table, and there should be more and regular contributions from those members who were far below the average during the year just passed. — May the grace of our Lord abide with us so that we grow in faith and improve in good works, for the glory of Our Savior's name. A. C. D.

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 Pittsburgh, Lutheran Church, Pride St., between Forbes and 5th Ave., 2nd and 4th Sundays, 11 a. m.
 Edgewood, Pa., State School, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 9 a. m., Wilkensburgh Y. M. C. A.
 Washington, D. C., Lutheran Church, Jersey and Morgan Sts., 1st Sunday, 10:30 a. m.
 Buffalo, N. Y., Lutheran Church, Dodge and Ellicott Sts., 3d Sunday, 3 p. m.
 Johnstown, Pa., by appointment.
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CLEVELAND MISSION

- CLEVELAND MISSION Rev. O. C. Schroeder, 2204 Bunts Rd., Cleveland, Ohio. Cleveland, O., Lutheran Hall, E. 30th and Prospect Ave., third Sunday and by appointment, 11:00 a. m. Cleveland, O., Hard-of-Hearing, 3rd Thursday and by ap-pointment, 8 p. m. Day-school pupils, 1st and 3rd Fridays, 3:15 p. m., Euclid Ave. M. E. Church. Columbus, O., State School, 1st Sunday, 3 p. m. Findlay, O., fourth Sunday, 3 p. m., 612 McConnell St. Erie, Pa., Lutheran Church, 326 W. 11th St., 2nd Sunday, 3 p. m. Fremont, Tiffin, Sandusky, Elyria, Lorain Oberlin Mons-

Fremont, Tiffin, Sandusky, Elyria, Lorain, Oberlin, Mans-field, O., by appointment. Danville, Ky., Kentucky State School for the Deaf, by ap-pointment.

DETROIT MISSION

DETROIT MISSION Rev. E. J. Scheibert, 17862 Cliff Ave., Detroit, Mich. Detroit, Chapel on Pulford, right off Meldrum, Sundays and other holy days, 10:30 a. m. Toledo, Church, cor. Vance and Ewing, 1st Sunday, 2:30 p. m. Fe. Wayne, St. Paul's Parish House, Barr and Madison, second Sunday, 10:15 a. m. New Haven, Lutheran Church, last Sunday, 2 p. m. Flint, Lutheran Church, Saginaw and Mary Sts., 3d and 4th Sundays, 2 p. m. Saginaw, Lutheran Church, Ninth and Cherry, East Side, 3d and 4th Sundays, 10:30 a. m. Sturgis, Mich., by appointment.

CHICAGO MISSION

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Rev. A. C. Dahms, 1400 N. Ridgeway Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Chicago, Our Savior's Church, 1400 N. Ridgeway, Sundays, May 1—Oct. 31, 10:30 a. m., Nov. 1—April 30, 2:30 p. m.
Englewood (Chicago), St. Stephen's Church, 65th and S. Peoria, 2nd and last Sundays, 2 p. m., May 1—Nov. 1.
Grand Rapids, Mich., Emmanuel Chapel, Michigan and Division Sts., monthly, as appointed.
South Bend., Ind., Lutheran School, monthly, as appointed.
Kankakee, Crystal Lake, Ill., Valparaiso, Ind., as appointed.

MILWAUKEE MISSION

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Rev. E. C. Baker, 1711 Meinecke Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.
Milwaukee, Emmanuel Chapel, 1711 Meinecke Ave., Sundays and other holy days, 10:00 a. m.
Oshkosh, Wis., Trinity Lutheran Church, Bowen and School Sts., monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Sheboygan, Wis., St. Mark's Lutheran Church, N. 7th St., near Ontario Ave., monthly, 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Racine, Wis., St. John's Church, Erie and Kewaunee Sts., monthly, 3rd Sunday, 2:30 p. m.
Manitowoc, Merrill, Wausau, Madison, Watertown, Wis., and State School, Delavan, Wis., by appointment.

MINNEAPOLIS MISSION

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 Rev. J. L. Salvner, 1221 22nd Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Minneapolis, Grace Chapel, Girard and 22nd Ave. N., Sundays and other holy days, 11:00 a. m.
 Sioux Falls, S. D., first Wednesday, School for the Deaf, 6:30 p. m.; Zion School, 8:00 p. m.
 Watertown, S. D., Tuesday before first Wednesday.
 Gaylord, Minn., Monday before second Wednesday.
 Mitchell, S. D., Ortonville, Fergus Falls, Dawson, Minn., by appointment.

ST, PAUL MISSION

 Rev. J. A. C. Beyer, 1162 Marshall Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
 St. Paul, Calvary Chapel, Marshall Ave. and Dunlap St. Sundays and other holy days 10:30 a. m.
 Winona, Minn., E. Broadway and Liberty, second Sunday, Sundays and other noty days to be a. m.
Winona, Minn., E. Broadway and Liberty, second Sunday, 3:45 p. m.
Rochester, Minn., 917 4th Ave. N. W., Monday after second Sunday, 7:00 p. m.
Dubuque, Iowa, Lutheran School, 20th and Jackson, third Tuesday, 7:45 p. m.
Eau Claire, Wis., Y. M. C. A., fourth Sunday, 4:00 p. m.

Los Angeles, Every other Sunday, 3 p. m., Class-room C, Bible Institute, Sixth and Hope Sts. San Diego, Porterville, Terra Bella, by appointment.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., State School, Monday after fourth Sunday, 10:00 a. m.
Stillwater, Minn., 1212 South 4th St., last Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.
Lake City, Minn., Private Homes, last Wednesday, 2:30 p. m.
Decorab, Iowa, by appointment. Mason City, Iowa, by appointment.

DULUTH-SUPERIOR MISSION

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Rev. W. Ferber, 116 Chester Parkway, Duluth, Minn.
Duluth, Mt. Olive Church, 19th Ave., E., and 4th St., 1st Sunday, 10:45 a. m.
Superior, Wis., Christ Church, corner Belknap and Cummings, 3rd Sunday, 2:30 p. m.
Devils Lake, N. D., State School, 4th Saturday and Sunday.
Grand Forks, 608 S. 3rd St., Friday before 4th Saturday.
Fargo, 112 N. 4th St., Saturday before 2nd Sunday.
Cloquet, Minn., 1st and 3rd Sundays.
Patzau, Wis., Akcley, Wadena, Bemidji, International Falls, Minn., Rice Lake, Wis., Bismark, N. D., by appointment. ment.

ST. LOUIS MISSION

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Rev. C. Schubkegel, 4536 Labadie Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
St. Louis, Grace Lutheran Church, Garrison and St. Louis Ave., 2nd and last Sundays, 3:00 p. m.
St. Charles, Mo., Homes of Deaf, last Sunday, 10:30 a. m.
Evansville, Ind., Lutheran School, E. Illinois Str., bi-monthly, first Sunday, 10:00 a. m.
Indianapolis, Ind., Lutheran Church, 717 S. New Jersey St., bi-monthly, first Sunday, 9:30 a. m.
Louisville, Ky., Lutheran Church, 1125 E. Broadway, bi-monthly, first Sunday, 7:30 p. m.
Jacksonville, III., monthly, third Sunday, Religious instruc-tion in State School, 9:00 a. m. Services in Salem Lutheran Church, 2:30 p. m.
Columbus, Ind., Lutheran Church, 5th and Sycamore, bi-monthly, 1st Sunday, 2 p. m.
Farina, III., Homes of Deaf, by appointment.

OMAHA MISSION

Rev. E. Mappes, 2331 No. 63rd St., Omaha, Nebr.
Omaha, Nebr., Lutheran Church, Benson Sta., first and third Sundays, 2:30 p. m.
Lincoln, Neb., Lutheran Church, 13th and H Sts., 4th Sunday, 11 a. m.
Sioux City, Ia., Lutheran Church, 613 Jackson St., monthly,

Sloux City, 1a., Lutheran Church, 613 Jackson St., monthly, by appointment.
Ft. Dodge, Lutheran Church, 4th Ave., S., and 13th St., 2nd Saturday, 8 p. m.
Boone, I.a., 2nd Sunday, 10:30 a. m.
Des Moines, Lutheran Church, 7th St. and Forest Ave., 2nd Sunday, 3:15 p. m.
Omaha, Neb., State School, every Monday and Thursday.
Councils Bluffs, Ia., State School, every Tuesday.

KANSAS CITY MISSION

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Rev. R. E. Ferber, 3012 East 21st St., Kansas City, Mo.
Kansas City, Mo., Luth. Church, 16th and Cherry Sts., 1st and 3rd Sundays, 3:00 p. m.
Joplin, Mo., 4th Sunday, 3 p. m.
Lawrence, Kans., by appointment.
Herington, Kans., 2nd Sunday, 2:00 p. m., Rev. Biel's Church.
Sailna, Kans., 2nd Sunday, 8:00 p. m., 481 Montrose St.
Duluth, Kans., by appointment.
Leavenworth, Kans.. 2nd Wednesday, 8:00 p. m., Luth.
Church, 301 N. 7th St.
Atchison, Kans., 3rd Wednesday, 8:00 p. m., Barthel Home, 932 Atchison St.
St. Joseph, Mo., 1st Tuesday, 8:00 p. m., Luth. Church, 1400 Lafayette St.
Springfield, Mo., 4th Saturday, 8:00 p. m. (Lutheran Church).
Olathé, Kas., Fulton, Mo., State Schools, by appointment.

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SEATTLE MISSION

Rev. G. W. Gaertner, 1101 15th Ave., Seattle, Wash. Seattle, Wash., Church of Our Redeemer, cor. 15th Ave. and Spring St., second and fourth Sundays, 2:30 p. m. Tacoma, South 16th and L Sts., 2nd and 4th Sundays, 10:30

a. m. Everett, Wash., Lombard and 26th, W., 2nd and 4th Sundays. 8 p. m. Bellingham, Wash., 20th and O Sts., 1st Sunday, 2:30 p. m. Bellingham, Wash., 1st Sunday, 406 Gladstone St., 7:30 p. m. Victoria, B.C., 3d Sunday, cor. Queens and Blanchard, 2 p. m.

PORTLAND MISSION

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Rev. E. Eichmann, 1355 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore.
Portland, Ore., cor. Rodney Ave. and Ivy St., 1st and 3rd Sundays, 2:30 p. m.
Vancouver, 13th and Franklin, 1st and 3rd Sunday, 7:30 p. m.
Vancouver, State School, 3rd Sunday, 10:00 a. m.
Salem, Ore., State School, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 10 a. m.
Baker, Pendleton, Ore., by appointment.

SPOKANE MISSION

Rev. C. G. Frice, 729 W. Kierman Ave., Spokane, Wash.
 Spokane, Wash., W. 3rd and Divisions Sts., 2nd and 4th Sundays, 10:30 a. m.
 Yakima, Wash., W. 318 Walnut St., 3rd Sunday, 10:30 a. m.
 Wenatchee, Wash., 312 Palouse St., 1st Sunday, 10:30 a. m.
 Kennewick, Wash., Dover, Boise, Pendleton, Gooding, Idaho, by appointment.

CALIFORNIA MISSION

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