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GETHSEMANE

"'Tis midnight; and on Olive's brow The star is dimmed that lately shone; 'Tis midnight; and in the garden now The suffering Savior prays alone.

"'Tis midnight; and from all removed, Immanuel wrestles alone with fears;

E'en the disciple that He loved, heeds not his Master,

Heeds not his Master's grief and tears.

"'Tis midnight; and for others' guilt, The Man of Sorrows weeps in blood; Yet He that hath in anguish knelt

Is not forsaken by His God.

"'Tis midnight; and from other plains Is borne the strain song that angels know; Unheard by mortals are the strains

That sweetly soothe the Savior's woe."

-William B. Tappan, A. D. 1819.

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EDITORIAL

Lent

Some years ago a troubled soldier just before going to sleep made out a list of his financial obligations and wrote underneath them the question, "Who will pay these debts?" It happened on that day that the Emperor passed by, and having observed and read the list, he signed his name at the bottom of the page. When the soldier awoke he could scarcely believe his eyes, but for him the signature of the Emperor was the allsufficient answer to his many worries. In a like manner Jesus has put His blessed name under all of our debts and obligations to God; His blood cleanses us from all sin. He bears the penalty and we go free; He sets us on one side and then places Himself where we have been. That is the lesson of Lent.

During the month of March the Christian world again ponders upon the stupendous price that was required and paid for the salvation of man. In dark Gethsemane the Son of God experienced the agonies of hell; here He groaned out His very soul, His sweat as it were great drops of blood fell to the ground; in Pilate's hall He was scourged and spat upon; on Calvary He received new wounds in His body and His emaciated frame was exposed to the gaze of evil, malicious enemies till He cried, "It is finished!"

Before His birth the angel had announced of the Messiah that "His name shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins," Matt. 1, 21. And Paul directed attention to the ancient prophecy, which states: "There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer." Rom. 11, 26. To know and to understand Jesus and His mission is true wisdom from above; it teaches the most important fact in the life of man, namely, that the human race is cursed with sin and under the penalty of death, but is redeemed from all condemnation through the merits of Jesus. The greatest schools in the land cannot educate any one to wisdom exceeding in blessings this doctrine of the God-man Jesus.

Our great and glorious country returns to his native town any applicant for admission who is afflicted with certain diseases. All the wealth, brain power, and material advantages of the nation are unable to help such a man. With Jesus a like procedure is impossible. He rejects no one who comes to Him. The worse the condition of the sinner the more tender is His love when he comes to Him. Sin and love of this world's pleasures are the soul-consuming powers that wreck man's life and happiness. Jesus, the Son of God, alone can cure this spiritual and moral leprosy.

If the physical man is placed in a deep pit he is helpless to deliver himself unless some one hears his cry and comes to his assistance. The . moral man is in a similar predicament, which leaves his soul helpless in the power of sin and death unless Jesus comes to his rescue. Without the power of the Son of God man is lost and undone forever, for sin is a hard taskmaster and tyrant leading to death and damnation. In that day and hour, however, when you seek the help of Jesus with all your heart He shall hear your cry and come to your rescue. He, who made the heavens and the earth, hung upon the tree for you, the guilty, therefore, look upon that cross and by that look of faith be saved. Why wait for a more convenient season, until you have earned more money or enjoyed wicked pleasures? Attend to your religion at once. Satan's chosen method of deceit has ever been delay and postponement of salvation. Now, during the blessed Lenten season, learn to pray with the Christian believer:

> "Jesus, Thou for me art draining Deepest dregs of woe, Marshaled ills against Thee training, Passing what men know; Yet dost onward go to fashion By Thy Passion Peace below.



By Thy love, all love transcending; By Thy patient sigh;By Thy crown, new anguish lending; By Thy cross and cryTeach me, after Thy example, Self to trample, Sin to fly.

Teach me patiently to suffer If pain be my share, To accept what God may proffer, Duty's path to dare. By Thy meek, serene behavior Teach me, Savior, How to bear.

Teach me that all selfish living Is to live in vain.
Who for others self is giving Getteth greater gain.
Teach me that he hath glad reaping Who with weeping Soweth grain." Alfred Ramsey.
O. C. S.

STUDIES IN THE CHIEF TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE AND CATECHISM Jesus Christ, the True God,

the Only Begotten of the Father

How can Jesus be true God? Is He not the Son of Mary? Indeed, but nevertheless He is true God, for He is the only begotten Son of the Father. Our dear Bible again and again tells us this. Jesus said to Nicodemus who came to Him by night: "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son." John 3, 16. When Paul speaks of this Christ who suffered and died for the world, he writes, "God spared not His own Son." Rom. 8, 32. Hebrews 1, 5 tells us that God said to this Jesus: "Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee?" To no one else has God ever said this. Therefore we ought to say with the disciples: "We believe and are sure that Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." John 6, 69.

Jesus is true God, the only begotten of the Father, therefore He is from everlasting. In Proverbs 8, 23 Jesus says: "I was set up from everlasting." And John says of this Jesus, the Word: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God." John 1, 1.2. Jesus said to the Pharisees, "Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day; and he saw it, and was glad." Then said the Jews unto Him: "Thou art not yet 50 years old, and hast Thou seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them: "Verily, verily, I say unto you: "Before Abraham was, I am." John 8, 56-58. Therefore me must say "Jesus Christ the same with Hebrews 13, 8: yesterday, and to-day, and forever." Furthermore, this Jesus says: "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them," Matthew 18, 20, and again: "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28, 20. And in v. 18 He says, "All power is given to Me in heaven and earth." Of Him Peter also said: "Lord, Thou knowest all things," John 21, 17, and Paul: "In Him are hid all the treasures of wisdom and power." Col. 2, 3. Only God is from everlasting to everlasting, only God can be with us always, only God has all power, only God knows all things, and now the Bible says all these things of Jesus. Surely, He is the only begotten of the Father, ves, the true God!

And He has not only the name, but He truly is the Son of God, the true God. Therefore John writes of Him: "All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made." John 1, 3. And Paul writes of this same Jesus: "For by Him were all things created." Col. 1, 16. And listen to Him as He meets the people who were carrying out a dead man, the only son of his mother! He stopped them, and said to the dead man: "Young man, I say unto thee, Arise." Luke 7, 14. And this Jesus knows not only the things of yesterday and to-day, but also of to-morrow. He foreknew all His suffering and often spoke of it to His disciples, Luke 18, 31-33. He saw Nathanael under the fig tree, before Philip called him, John 1, 48. He knew of the ass tied in the village, and the colt with her, Matthew 21, 2.3. To the man sick of the palsy He said, "Son, be of good cheer, thy sins are forgiven thee," and then by a wonderful work showed that the Son of man has power to forgive sins on earth, Matthew 9, 2.6. Surely, He is the true God, for only God can do such great things.

Therefore God told all *the angels to worship Him*, Hebrews 1, 6. All the world "should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent Him." John 5, 23. Therefore Paul writes "that *at the name of Jesus every knee should bow*, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth." Phil. 2, 10.

And the very same we confess of this Jesus in our Catechism, when we say: "And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord," and in the explanation of this: "I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity," etc. In the morning and evening prayers we pray: "I thank Thee, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son."

And, my friend, this only begotten Son of God, yea, the true God, went into that bitter pain and suffering for our sins! · Surely, His suffering and blood fully pays for the sins of the whole world. Therefore blessed are they that trust in Him. They have everlasting life!

"Thou alone, my God and Lord, Art my Glory and Reward: Thou hast bled for me and died, I will be no other's bride."

J. L. S.

THE RICHEST

He is richest who possesses most of "the mind that was in Christ Jesus."

- Southern Methodist.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR SUNDAYS IN MARCH, 1930

"Saved by faith"

March 5 marks the beginning of the Lenten season. During Lent, more so than at other times, we think upon the bitter suffering and shameful death of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is impressed upon our minds how much pain and suffering He had to endure, and then also that He suffered it all in order to save us from sin, death, and hell. This finished salvation He offers to us in His holy word, saying: "Only believe." These Bible Studies also point to the suffering Savior. Study them, one for every Sunday, and may God richly bless them in your heart and make you to rejoice by faith in the suffering Savior and His great salvation!

Study for Sunday, March 2

"Pray without ceasing (stopping)." 1 Thess. 5, 17

In your Bible read Luke 18, 1-8

Jesus often tells us to pray. He Himself prayed much. But we so easily give up, we do not continue in prayer. Therefore Jesus tells us this parable, a story from life, to teach us a lesson in God's kingdom, that we pray always and not faint (become tired). There was a judge in a city who feared not God and did not regard (honor) man. He cared not for anybody and always did as he pleased. Now there was a widow in that city. She came to him and asked him to avenge (help) her of her adversary (enemy). For a while he did not want to help her. He did not want to bother with her. But she came again and again and gave him no rest. Then he said within himself, in his heart, that he would help her although he cared not for God and man. And why did he want to help her? Because she came again and again. He was afraid that she would weary (make him tired) and hurt him. She did not give up, and the judge helped her.

And that should urge us to cry unto God day and night. For if that unjust judge, who at first did not want to help the widow, then did because she came so often, surely then our good God will help His elect (children or believers), who cry (pray) to Him day and night. Indeed, He must bear (be patient) long with us, for we daily sin much. But He will not remember our sins for Jesus' sake, and will speedily (quickly) help His children. O let us pray always in true faith that we be ready when Jesus comes again to judge the world. But Jesus says: "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" He intends to say that He will find only a few believers when He comes again. Come, let us watch and pray always, and so be ready when Jesus comes again.

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 1, and answer these two questions in writing: 1. Why did Jesus tell us this parable or story? 2. Why should we pray always and not become tired?

Prayer: Dear Savior, teach us to pray as Thou hast prayed. Help us that we pray always, trusting in Thy holy name, and so be ready for Thy coming again and with Thee enter into glory. Amen.

Study for First Sunday in Lent, March 9

"By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of ourselves: it is the gift of God." Eph. 2, 8

In your Bible read Luke 18, 9-14

What must I do to be saved? This is a very important question. In our lesson Jesus gives us the right answer. There are people who trust in themselves that they are righteous (right before God), and despise others. They think they are good, much better than other people, and therefore surely will go to heaven. To these people Jesus tells this parable of the Pharisee and the publican.

These two men went into the temple to pray. The Pharisees were leaders of the Jews and were proud of their good works; the publicans were tax-collectors and often cheated the people, and therefore were called sinners by all. The Pharisee stood and prayed with himself, thanking God that he was not like other people, extortioners (thieves), unjust, adulterers, or as this publican. Then he told God of his good works, that he fasted (ate nothing) twice a week and gave tithes (one-tenth) of all that he possessed (had). He believed he was a very good man, and therefore needed no Savior and no forgiveness. Now let us look at the publican. He stood afar off, he was ashamed and did not look up to heaven, and in sorrow smote (struck) his breast. Why did he do this? Listen to him! He prayed: "God, be merciful to me a sinner." He was ashamed and full of sorrow for his sin, and therefore asked God for mercy and forgiveness. The Pharisee saw only his good works and was proud of them, and the publican saw only his sin and was ashamed of them. The Pharisee thought he needed no mercy, the publican wanted only mercy.

And what does Jesus say? The publican went to his home justified (saved) because he trusted in God's mercy, and the Pharisee was not saved because he trusted in himself. For he who exalts himself (is proud) shall be abased (put down); and he that humbles himself shall be exalted (lift up). Let us remember this! We now are in the Lenten season which leads us to the suffering Savior Jesus Christ! May God help us to see it plainly that only in this suffering Savior and His blood we have mercy and forgiveness and salvation!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 14, and answer these questions in writing: 1. Why was the Pharisee not saved? 2. Why was the publican saved?

Prayer: Dear Savior Jesus Christ, Thou hast suffered and died for to save sinners. Help that we not proudly trust in our works, but humble ourselves before Thee in our sins and ask for mercy and forgiveness through Thy blood. Amen.

Study for Second Sunday in Lent, March 16 "One of these little ones which believe in Me."

Matthew 18, 6

In your Bible read Luke 18, 15-17

Only by faith in Jesus you are saved. Also little children are saved only by faith, for they are born in sin and must be brought to Jesus. These verses tell us about mothers who brought their infants (little babies) to Jesus that He touch them, lay His hands upon them and bless them. When the disciples saw this, they rebuked (scolded) the mothers and told them to stay "Why thought, away. They should these mothers come to Jesus and trouble Him with their babies?" Then Jesus called them and said: "Suffer (let) little children to come unto Me, and

forbid (stop) them not; for of such is the kingdom of God."From this we learn that Jesus is pleased if we bring our little ones to Him in Baptism, and is displeased if people say: "Do not bring your little ones." In holy Baptism the Holy Ghost gives them faith and washes away their sins.

Can little children believe? Surely, for Jesus says of these children: "The kingdom of God is theirs." And now God tells us that a man receives the kingdom of God only by faith, and, then, that these little babies should be a pattern to every believer, for Jesus says: "Verily (truly) I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise (way) enter therein." A man will go to heaven only if he humbles himself in his sin as a little child and in childlike faith trusts in the suffering Savior with whom we are walking during these Lenten days. May God grant this to every one of us.

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 16, and answer these questions in writing: 1. What displeased Jesus and what pleased Him in our lesson? 2. What does it mean that we must receive the kingdom of God as a little child?

Prayer: Dear Savior, Friend of the little ones, help that we daily come to Thee as little children, humbling ourselves before Thee in our sins and in childlike faith accepting Thy word and always trusting in Thy bitter suffering and death on the cross. Amen.

Study for Third Sunday in Lent, March 23

"No man cometh unto the Father, but (excepting) by Me." John 14, 6

In your Bible read Luke 18, 18-23

It is surprising how people again and again trust in their goodness and think that it will save them. They think they need not the suffering Savior and His blood. One of these people, a ruler of the Jews, came to Jesus in our lesson, saying: "Good Master, what must I do to inherit (receive) eternal (everlasting) life?" This man thought himself to be a good man, and now the Lord shows him that no man is good, saying: "Why callest thou Me good? None is good, save (excepting) one, that is, God." Now that does not mean that Jesus is not good. Jesus is good, for He is not only man, but also true God. But no man is good, because not one has perfect love to God and man. Also this ruler had not this perfect love, but he thought he did. When Jesus told him some of the commandments, he quickly answered: "All these have I kept from my youth up." There are many in this world who will tell you the same, saying: O no, we have not killed anybody, we have not stolen, nor done any other sin. We always have tried to do right to all."

But Jesus says that there is none good, as also this ruler was not good. He told him that he lacked (had not yet) one thing, and we at once see that He is right. He told him to sell all his things and to distribute (give) to the poor, then he would have treasure (precious things) in heaven, and to come and follow Him. He should love the poor and give to them, he should love the Lord and give up all for Him. When the rich ruler heard this, he went away sorrowful, for he was very rich. He loved his money more than his neighbor and his God. He surely was not So, my friend, no man has this perfect good. love! None is good! Therefore we can have everlasting life only by faith in this Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who shed His blood and died for us on the cross. Only then shall we be good !

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 19, and answer these questions in writing: 1. How did the Jewish ruler show that he was not good? 2. Only in whom shall we be good and have everlasting life, and why?

Prayer: Dear Savior Jesus Christ, only Thou art good. We are poor sinners and cannot help ourselves. But, thanks to Thee, for coming into this world and paying for our sins with Thy blood and life so that we can stand good and righteous before our God. Amen.

Study for Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 30

"Christ died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again." 2 Cor. 5, 15

In your Bible read Luke 18, 24-30

Jesus tells us to-day that it is hard for people that have riches or money to enter the kingdom

of God. People who have money, be it much or little, love it and do not like to give it up for God and their neighbors. Therefore the Lord Jesus says: "It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eve, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." You will say: "A camel cannot go through a needle's eye." Tesus answers: "That is easier than for a rich man to go to heaven." Quickly the disciples then answered, "Who then can be saved?" They intended to sav: "Then nobody will be saved." That is true. We all have this love for money and the things of this world in our hearts, and therefore it is hard for everyone to go to heaven. But is there no hope of salvation for us? Jesus savs: "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God." A man cannot save himself, but God can save also a man who loves money. And that He does by His word which tells us of Christ's suffering and death for our sins. Praise Him for this salvation!

Now if a man believes in Jesus, then he like Peter and the other disciples will leave all and follow Him. He will gladly give his money for his Savior's church and work. And they who give for Jesus and His kingdom will not lose anything, no, Jesus will again give them much more than they had. If you give up your house, or parents, or brothers, or wife, or children, for God's kingdom, you will receive manifold (many kinds) blessings here on earth, and there in heaven everlasting life. Come, let us give ourselves and all we have to Him who loved and died for us. He will richly bless us!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 27, answer these questions in writing and send all your answers to your pastor: 1. Only by whom can we hope to be saved? 2. And if we believe and are saved, what will we then gladly do?

Prayer: Dear Jesus Christ, Thou only Savior of the world, help that we trust only in Thee and Thy cross, and so be saved, and then grant that out of a thankful heart we leave all and follow Thee and live to Thee alone. Amen. J. L. S.

FOR RELIGION'S SAKE

I say the whole earth and all the stars in the sky are for religion's sake. —Walt. Whitman.

"WITH THE BEREANS"

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

Alfred Tennyson said, "I should be sorely afraid to live my life without God's presence, but to feel that He is by my side now just as you are, that is the very joy of life."

And having chosen the All-seeing and Allknowing God for our companion we ought to live and act accordingly.We can not do as we please; we must do as He pleases or, so as to please Him. Consider how largely we are dependent upon Him and how great our loss, if He should leave us, especially if He should leave us because we have deliberately and knowingly offended Him.

But Jesus is not only our Companion: He is our Guide, our Leader, our Savior. We are His disciples, His followers: we are the children of God! And let us be ever mindful of our position and standing: children of the King of kings!

Every privilege and honor carries with it a corresponding responsibility. Therefore let us in our everyday life and conversation uphold the dignity of our high rank and by our quiet Christian life draw others to the world's Redeemer, whose suffering we remember and consider during the season of Lent.

Henry M. Stanley said he went in search of David Livingstone in the interior of Africa "as much prejudiced against Christianity as the worst infidel." But after a few weeks of companionship with the consecrated Scotchman he was so impressed with the living example of the saintly man that he declared: "I was converted by him, although he had not tried to do it."

Berean Friends, by your daily life and actions compel your associates to say, "If I stay with him any longer, I shall be a Christian in spite of myself." Study and remember the following verses, one for each week in March.

March 2: "We beseech¹ you, brethren, . . . that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you: that ye may walk honestly toward them that are without²." 1 Thess. 4:11.12. ¹urge ²outsiders, not Christians.

- March 9: "Walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful¹ in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God." Col. 1:10. ¹active.
- March 16: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5:16.
- March 23: "Then said Jesus unto His disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross, and follow me." Matth. 16: 24.
 - March 30: "Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever¹ Thou goest." Matt. 8:19. ¹whereever or any place.
 - "I WILL NOT FORGET THY WORD." Psalm 119:16. J. A. C. B.

INFORMATION OF GENERAL INTEREST

"God works in a mysterious way His wonders to perform."

Over the greater part of the history of our Missions for the Deaf our missionaries have been serving a number of deaf people who are also blind. And it was the need of these deafblind people for Christian reading matter that induced our synod to provide it not only for the deaf-blind, but also for the blind who have their normal hearing.

There are times when we wonder why God permits such triple afflictions to visit mankind, and very likely some people think these deafblind can render no real service to their fellowman. In this particular case, however, these deaf-blind have through their request led other people to their only Savior. And of all the various forms of service there is none so great as that which saves a soul from destruction. In one sense, therefore, we can say that these deafblind people were instrumental in establishing the mission to the blind.

As a direct result of the above-mentioned request The Lutheran Messenger for the Blind is published monthly in Universal Braille and is entering upon its third year with the Rev. A. H. Kuntz as editor. From the very start the magazine was warmly welcomed and unnumbered letters testify that it satisfies a genuine and urgent need. The mailing list now includes over eight hundred names and the paper, no doubt, is read by a much larger number.

Other publications are the Lutheran Catechism, a Bible History in two volumes, a Lutheran hymnal including about one hundred complete hymns together with the musical notations in Braille. The magazine is mailed free of charge to any blind person sending his name and address to Rev. A. H. Kuntz, 19 North Olive St., Alhambra, Cal. The other publications are sold at a minimum price.

The steadily increasing work of Pastor Kuntz demanded assistance. Accordingly Miss Harriett Corbin, a Lutheran young lady, has been employed and in the first six weeks has mastered the Braille, relieving Pastor Kuntz of much routine work such as the typing of letters and manuscripts, taking dictation of letters and writing them to the blind in Braille.

Without a doubt a large number of unchurched blind people are being reached with the soul-saving Gospel of Christ and Him Crucified; also a goodly number of our own blind fellow-Lutherans through these publications receive comfort and strength upon the way leading unto life eternal. May the Lord of the Church rest His abundant blessings upon the labors of Pastor Kuntz and his new assistant, Miss Corbin!

J. A. C. B.

TWIN CITIES MISSION FESTIVAL

On November 3rd the deaf of the Twin Cities celebrated their annual Mission Festival in the auditorium of Concordia College in St. Paul. The Rev. J. Schumacher delivered the morning sermon, in which he pointed to the vast mission fields which are deserving and in need of the prayerful and active financial support also of the deaf.

It was a distinct pleasure for the deaf to see the former St. Paul missionary use the sign language again, though it was noticeable he no longer uses the signs with the same easy grace as he formerly did.

The Rev. Edgar Witte spoke in the afternoon on the subject, "Are Missions Worthwhile?" From the history of the Christian Church he showed that missions are entirely worthwhile and brought convincing proof, first, from the opportunities of the deaf mission, second, from the difficulties of this mission, and third, from the splendid progress of deaf missions that this work is indeed eminently worthwhile and that it should



The Revs. J. L. Salvner and J. A. Beyer with Lutheran deaf-mutes of the Twin Cities, who attended the annual mission festival in St. Paul in 1929

be fostered and developed with victorious enthusiasm. It is unthinkable that any Christian should have heard Pastor Witte's sermon without being fired with an active interest in the blessed and necessary work among the deaf.

The offerings of the day amounted to \$55.13. J. A. C. B.

MISSION NEWS

St. Paul Mission—For reasons of health the St. Paul missionary declined the call to St. Louis in November.

We are happy to report an increase in attendance in Eau Claire. For a time it seemed as though the deaf did not have sufficient interest in the services to warrant their continuance. The last four services, however, have had an average attendance of over 16. We trust that they will continue to gather regularly to hear "the Gospel of Christ which is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

Mr. Arnold Klatke and three deaf girls have been transferred from the Northern Wisconsin Home at Chippewa Falls to another institution at Lancaster, where Mr. Harry Drinkwater has been a resident for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thomas have again left Rochester and returned to Mr. Thomas' old home at Eastman, Wis., where we shall serve them as opportunity allows. We have had occasion to speak of our Savior's work among the deaf in churches at Austin, Goodhue, Zumbrota, Lake Elmo, Albert Lea, Morris Park, Minn., Westgate, Calmar and Sherrills, Iowa, Platteville, Almond, Nekoosa, Arpin, Vesper and Glenwood City, Wis.

On Sunday afternoon, October 20th, the Lutherans of the Twin Cities celebrated the 400th anniversary of Luther's Catechism with special services in the St. Paul auditorium. Dr. W. A. Maier of St. Louis was the speaker. About 35 deaf attended, the entire service being interpreted by the writer.

In December we travelled 1,625 miles to conduct 21 services in 28 days.

David Ivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Capper, was baptized at Black River Falls, Wis., on December 9th. Four other deaf attended the service there on that day.

On January 2nd the 25th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Beltz was celebrated in Calvary Chapel. A goodly number of deaf and hearing friends gathered for the occasion which was a joyful one. Pastor Salvner, who performed the ceremony in 1905 addressed the happy couple, also the writer, pointing out the many mercies and acts of kindness and love they have received these many years from the hand of a Gracious Father in heaven.

It was an especially happy occasion for Mr. Beltz as he has been an invalid and not able to attend church services for several years. Mrs. Beltz is also an infrequent visitor at church, because of the weakened condition of her eyes. While our good Lord has laid a heavy hand upon these friends He has yet constantly showed Himself a loving Friend and Helper. May He continue to be their Stay and Comfort in the future as in the past! J. A. C. B.

Milwaukee Mission—Mr. and Mrs. Hackbarth of Milwaukee mourn the departure of their little son, Richard. He was born December 16th, 1929, was baptized on the January 4th, and died the next morning.

Another sad case occurred in Merrill on January 4th. Mr. W. F. Braun, while crossing the street, was struck by an auto. There is no telling how badly he was hurt besides having both legs and a few ribs broken. He was taken to the hospital and died the next morning. Mr. Braun was born in Germany December 25th, 1868, came to the United States later and spent many years at Merrill. Our little congregation will keenly notice his absence. We do not recall that he ever missed a service. C. Gade.

St. Louis Mission—On the evening of the Sunday after Christmas the members of our St. Louis flock again assembled around a Christmas tree in the pastor's home for their annual Christmas Social. The pastor delivered a short address on the birth of Christ and then led in the "signing" of a number of old-time Christmas hymns. After the service lunch was served by the pastor's wife and daughters. The members presented the pastor with a sum of money as a Christmas present and his wife also received a number of presents, for which we herewith express our sincere thanks.

On Tuesday evening, January 7th, ten of our 14 male members assembled in the pastor's home for the purpose of organizing as a Lutheran congregation. A constitution was adopted and the following members were elected as officers of the congregation: Mr. Walter Maack, president; Mr. Edwin Hummelsheim, secretary; Mr. Walter Hemminghaus, treasurer. The name chosen for our congregation was: "Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Deafmute Congregation of St. Louis, Mo." May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Founder of the Church, continue to bless our congregation, and further the work He has begun in our midst, unto His honor and the salvation of many immortal souls. C. Schubkegel.

Duluth-Superior Mission—For several years only a few visits per year were made to Bemidji. Now, however, the railroad connection being good, three trips per month are made to instruct a class of 2. Another deaf lady, already confirmed, takes part in this instruction, while a man living near town is given private instruction in the most necessary things pertaining to the salvation of his soul. We hope, that it will not be long until we have a small flock of communicant members in this town.

Duluth has few changes to record. We have lost another girl to the Delavan school. This, however, is only a temporary loss, for in Delavan she will be in Rev. Gade's classes and will come back to her home better equipped to become a church member. This is the second girl of the confirmation class of May, 1928, who has left this territory to study in Delavan, and there also take a "post-graduate" course in religion with Rev. Gade.

The new year has had a good beginning. New Year's services were held in Fargo and Grand Forks, with Lord's Supper being distributed in both places. The attendance in Grand Forks was 16, the largest attendance since the fall of 1923. Of these 16 deaf attending 15 were men; the cry, that men refuse to go to church does not pertain to Grand Forks.

We hope that this good beginning will continue throughout the year. W. F.

Kansas City Mission—Some readers of the Deaf Lutheran may be interested to hear that the edifice of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Kansas City, Mo., 16th and Cherry Sts., was recently sold. The first Lutheran service for the deaf was held in this church more than 25 years ago, and, in the course of time many, many services for the deaf were conducted there. Likewise Ephphatha Conference service in 1929 was held there. Shifting of the city's residential district has prompted the congregation to move to a better location and brought about the sale of this property, which for many years served as a center of Kansas City Lutheranism.

Some time ago we were directed to the sick-bed of a deaf man. During his lengthy illness we were privileged to visit him frequently. When he had recovered Mr. Kirtley began to come to our services with his wife. Mr. Kirtley also introduced us to a member of Kansas City's first confirmation class, Mr. J. Walters. After making amends for permitting his membership to become lax and public confession he was re-admitted to membership in Kansas City February 2nd. Mrs. F. Rebal, formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, also became a communicant member of our congregation February 2nd.

Mr. M. E. Thurman, an enthusiastic friend of the Oklahoma City mission, was recently painfully injured while on duty as an oil driller. He is speedily recovering. The home of Mr. Thurman is in Oakland, Cal.

Mr. F. Connelly, a voting member of the Kansas City congregation, was instantly killed while walking on a highway December 19th. Mr. Connelly was baptized and joined our Church in July, 1927. The only identification carried by him at the time was a letter from his pastor. We hope that some of the divine truths which we were permitted to teach him, were uppermost in his mind when his eyelids closed in death. A. E. Ferber.

TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT COLLECTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS October 1 1929 to December 31, 1929

- Rev J. A. C. Beyer—Eau Claire, \$7.20; Austin, \$2.26; Mason City, \$1.42; Decorah, \$11.30; Dubuque, \$.33; Rochester, \$2.75; Stillwater, \$3.95; Lake City, \$3.60; Winona, \$5.81; La Crosse, \$3.01; Mrs. E. E. Riley, \$2.00; Wm. Vogel, \$1.00. Total: \$44.63.
- Rev. Wm. Gielow- Ft. Wayne, \$33.45.
- Rev. J. L. Salvner—Fergus Falls, \$3.85; Mankato, \$6.13; Northrop, \$2.25; Gaylord, \$4.75; Dawson, \$6.20; Watertown, \$3.60; New Germany, \$2.00; Aberdeen, \$5.01; Big Stone City, \$4.10. Total: \$37.89.
- **Rev. M. Engel**—Berkeley, \$19.40; San Francisco, \$9.90; San Jose, \$5.70; Sacramento, \$6.75. Total: \$41.75.
- Rev. O. C. Schroeder—Cleveland, \$9.76; Elyria, \$1.91;
 Fremont, \$2.10; Sandusky, \$1.07; Findlay, \$5.55;
 Columbus, \$2.35; Blind Mission, K. Wolf, \$1.00;
 Miss A. Cotmore, \$.60; For Detroit School,
 \$19,50. Total: \$48.84.
- Rev. E. C. Baker-New Castle, \$1.15; Baltimore, \$6.30; Buffalo, \$4.30; Washington, \$1.15. Total: \$12.90.
- Rev. G. H. Ferber—San Diego, \$5.07; Porterville, \$2.00; Fresno, \$.60; Long Beach, \$3.88; Anaheim, \$1.06; Santa Barbara, \$3.24; Alhambra, \$4.85; Los Angeles, \$21.86. Total: \$42.56.

- Rev. G. W. Gaertner—Seattle, \$5.00; Tacoma, \$5.45; Anacortes, \$6.35. Total: \$16.80.
- Rev. W. Ferber—Duluth, \$5.05; Fargo, \$3.90; Rice Lake, \$8.97; Winnipeg, \$1.30; Grand Forks, \$4.95; International Falls, \$.75. Total: \$24.92.
- Rev. C. Schubkegel—St. Louis, \$31.00; St. Charles, \$5.75; Jacksonville, \$5.15; Indianapolis, \$6.25; Columbus, \$.40; Louisville, \$2.35. Total: \$50.90.
- Rev. E. Mappes—Lincoln, \$1.25; Sioux City, \$3.08; Mitchell, \$13.05; Sioux Falls, \$8.87; Ft. Dodge, \$10.15; Boone, \$3.65; Des Moines, \$1.13. Total: \$41.18.
- Rev. A. E. Ferber—Atchinson, \$3.91; Frankfort, \$1.25; Herington, \$2.10; Joplin, \$5.03; Kansas City, \$85.19; Lawrence, \$3.70; Leavenworth, \$.85; Miami, \$.80; Oklahoma City, \$1.94; Salina, \$1.30; Springfield, \$1.30; Olathe, \$.25; Duluth, \$3.00; St. Joseph, \$3.48; Tulsa, \$2.25; Wichita, \$7.68. Total: \$124.03.
- Rev. A. C. Dahms—Grand Rapids, \$12.06; South Bend, \$33.85; Elgin, \$21.37; Kankakee, \$5.18; Valparaiso, \$2.00; Miss R. Hausemann, \$8.00; Mrs. Theo. Luther, \$5.00; Bradley, \$2.70. Total: \$91.16.
- Rev. E. J. Scheibert—Toledo, \$15.15; Jackson, \$3.27; Pontiac, \$3.71; Mt. Clemens, \$3.50. Total: \$26.63.
- Rev. F. C. Gade—Wales, \$4.00; Kenosha, \$1.25; Oshkosh, \$5.60; Sheboygan, \$9.33; Manitowoc, \$4.85; Merrill \$3.95; Watertown, \$10.56; Madison, \$6.30; N. Freedom, \$6.58; Green Bay, \$1.45; Delavan, \$2.40; Nekoosa, \$.50; L. M. Bode, \$1.00; N. N., Elgin, Minn., \$25.00. Total: \$82.77.

Rev. A. Boll-Albany, \$2.00.

Miscellaneous—Martin Eber, Pittsburgh, \$5.45; E. W. Miland, Yakima, Wash., \$18.32.

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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT COLLECTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

January 1 to December 31, 1929

- Rev. M. Engel—Oakland, \$13.71; San Francisco, \$38.30; Berkeley, \$55.95; San Jose, \$14.67; Sacramento, \$13.31. Total: \$135.94.
- Rev. A. C. Dahms—Grand Rapids, \$28.81; South Bend, \$48.85; Elgin, \$32.45; Bradley, \$8.80; Kankakee, \$5.18; Valparaiso, \$2.00; Miss R. Hausemann, \$13.00; Mrs. Theo. Luther, \$5.00. Total: \$144.09.
- Rev. J. L. Salvner—Gaylord, \$13.55; Dawson, \$19.53;
 Watertown, \$13.60; Big Stone City, \$26.14;
 Aberdeen, \$27.01; Fergus Falls, \$14.89; Mankato,
 \$8.98; Northrop, \$4.50; New Germany, \$2.00;
 Bible Study Readers, \$9.25; Private Donations,
 \$26.00. Total: \$165.45.
- Rev. O. C. Schroeder—Columbus, \$16.56; Cleveland, \$39.50; Elyria, \$7.50; Findlay, \$23.92; Sandusky, \$3.82; Fremont, \$3.90; Erie, \$2.01; Youngstown,

\$1.05; Mansfield, \$.59; Tiffin, \$2.25; Detroit, \$5.00; For Detroit School, \$19.50; Blind Mission, \$9.60. Total: \$135.10.

- Rev. G. H. Ferber—Los Angeles, \$113.63; San Diego, \$19.07; Alhambra, \$18.92; Porterville, \$11.30; Anaheim, \$7.41; Fresno, \$4.61; Long Beach, \$15.58; Santa Barbara, \$6.33. Total: \$196.85.
- Rev. W. Gielow-Ft. Wayne, \$110.14; Flint, \$2.93. Total: \$113.07.
- Rev. W. Ferber—Superior, \$.65; Fargo, \$17.70; Grand Forks, \$11.10; Cloquet, \$.50; Duluth, \$14.56; Ebro, \$1.40; Lengby, \$.60; Bismarck, \$.69; Rice Lake, \$14.02; International Falls, \$2.25; Brandon, \$3.30; Sturgis, \$4.25; Lipton, \$5.70; Saskatoon, \$9.10; Calgary, \$5.20; Gull Lake, \$1.45; Regina, \$5.60; La Fleche, \$5.85; Granum, \$2.25; Winnnipeg, \$1.30. Total: \$107.47.
- Rev. F. C. Gade—Racine, \$4.64; Oshkosh, \$20.95; Nekoosa, \$2.50; Merrill, \$23.52; Sheboygan, \$50.35; Manitowoc, \$18.20; Watertown, \$37.96; Madison, \$30.21; Wisconsin Deaf School, \$5.00; Abelman, \$9.21; Delavan, \$13.62; Green Bay, \$4.60; Wales, \$4.00; Kenosha, \$3.17; N. Freedom, \$9.48; Private Donations, \$67.73. Total: \$305.14.
- Rev. A. Boll—Albany, \$8.06; Kingston, \$6.80; Pine Island, \$6.00; Brooklyn, \$200.00. Total: \$220.86.
- Rev. C. Schubkegel—St. Louis, \$121.57; St. Charles, \$23.75; Jacksonville, \$22.75; Indianapolis, \$28.15; Columbus, \$2.55; Louisville, \$26.97. Total: \$225.74.
- Rev. F. W. Gaertner—Seattle, \$23.00; Tacoma, \$14.65; Anacortes, \$14.92; Bellingham, \$1.75; Yakima, \$25.33. Total: \$79.65.
- Rev. A. E. Ferber—Atchinson, \$18.90; Herington, \$27.55; Joplin, \$19.45; Kansas City, \$153.79; Lawrence, \$14.90; Salina, \$5.03; St. Joseph, \$17.75; Wichita, \$20.66; Springfield, \$11.32; Luray, \$1.00; Leavenworth, \$1.61; Rudy, \$.70; Duluth-Frankfort, \$16.07; Oklahoma City, \$12.27; Miami, \$11.05; Sylvan Grove, \$1.50; Hanover, \$2.35; Tulsa, \$4.93; Private Donations, \$12.50. Total: \$353.33.
- Rev. E. Mappes—Lincoln, \$5.12; Sioux City, \$19.58; Sioux Falls, \$24.65; Mitchell, \$40.62; Ft. Dodge, \$54.25; Boone, \$11.10; Des Moines, \$5.85; Beemer, \$2.05; Picnic S. D. Deaf, \$11.55; Omaha Mission Festival, \$15.00. Total: \$189.77.
- Rev E. C. Baker—New Castle, \$8.80; Buffalo, \$19.75; Washington, \$7.70; Baltimore, \$27.40; Hamburg, \$1.60; Pittsburgh, \$27.78; Johnstown, \$.60. Total: \$93.32.
- Rev. E. Eichmann—December, 1928, Collection, \$12.94; Portland, \$111.07; Salem, \$40.72; Vancouver, \$16.88. Total: \$181.61.
- Rev. J. A. C. Beyer—Decorah, \$14.75; Mason City, \$5.07; Winona, \$21.11; Rochester, \$7.45; Lake City, \$28.94; Stillwater, \$18.45; Dubuque, \$2.51; Eau Claire, \$9.50; St. Paul, \$36.89; Austin, \$5.56; Albert Lee, \$3.60; Sparta, \$2.46; La Crosse, \$7.41; Private Donations, \$6.00. Total: \$169.68.

- Rev. E. J. Scheibert-Toledo, \$70.74; Jackson, \$14.64; Mt. Clemens, \$15.20; Ft. Wayne, \$7.80; Pontiac, \$3.71. Total: \$112.09.
- Miscellaneous-J. H. Meier, Treasurer, \$19.74; Rev. A. H. Kuntz, Blind Mission, \$661.95.

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Cordelina Richardson, \$1.00; Curtis Harvey, \$2.50; Augusta Bloedorn from Kewaunee Walther League, \$5.00; Minnie Morrison, \$5.00; O. A. Fyrberg, \$1.00; Rev. P. Loeber, \$5.00; Louise Pund, \$3.50; Ruth Miller, \$2.50; Mrs. A. Wakendorf, \$1.00; Mrs. Christy McKenzie, \$2.00; Geo. Harper, \$2.00; H. C. K., \$10.00; Miss Martha Griffin, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. J. Egan, \$10.00; Mrs. C. Doctor, \$1.00; Miss A. Wakendorf, \$1.00; Geo. Enningi, \$1.00; Miss Elizabeth Dick, \$5.00; A. Miller and Lief Johnson, \$5.00; St. Andrews Church, \$2.00; Christ Sunday School, \$25.00; Our Savior Church, \$6.00; N. N., by Rev. Reinke, \$5.00; Elmer Bees, \$5.00; Mr. Wise, \$5.00; Clara Koch, \$1.00. Total: \$113.50.

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