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Does Your Church Have It?

Deaf Power was the theme of last fall's Eastern regional lay conference held at West Hartford, Conn. This topic was discussed in relation to the strength of the deaf congregations and what could be done to improve our church.

The theme was divided into three parts: Deaf Power improved (1) by the individual deaf member, (2) by his local congregation, and (3) by the national church.

Everyone attending the conference took part in the discussion. Those present were divided into six groups, two for each topic. Each group had a leader and a reporter. When the time for discussion was up, each reporter summarized his group's ideas as follows:

A. What Can I Do to Improve the Deaf Power of My Church?

1. I can invite deaf persons who never go to church to attend Bible study and fellowship. I can also invite them to come for worship on Sundays.

2. I can tell my deaf friends how much God loves them, instead of asking them why they don't come to church.

3. I can take part in Sunday's service by joining in when the congregation sings and prays. I can accept some of the duties members are asked to do. I should not let a few members do it all the time.

4. I can volunteer more of my free time to do the Lord's work. I can ask my pastor what I can do to help him.

5. I can give regularly to support the Lord's work. I must worship with my gifts, too. I should strive to give at least 10 percent.

6. I can tell other deaf what it means to live a Christian life. Then I must try to be a living example for them.

Editor Moves to St. Louis

DEAF LUTHERAN editor, Rev. Martin A. Hewitt, recently accepted a call to serve Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf and the St. Louis Field. Starting *now* all mail addressed to the editor should go to his *new address*:

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7. I can visit other members who haven't been coming to worship service or Bible class. Perhaps I could do this once a month. I should remind those members of God's love for them, and impress on them their responsibilities as members of Christ's family.

8. I can pray daily for help to improve myself and my attitude toward others. I should pray, too, for God's help in spreading the Good News to the deaf in my area.

9. I can show my appreciation to my pastor, to other church groups, and to persons who voluntarily help us in our church work.

10. I do not need to be afraid to talk with my pastor about things I do not like or do not understand about church. This will bring better feelings and understanding between my pastor and myself.

B. What Can My Local Congregation Do to Improve Its Deaf Power?

1. We can plan more social activities so that we will fellowship more. We can also invite our unchurched friends to these affairs as a sort of introduction to our church.

2. We can arrange for small gatherings in some of our homes so that the deaf living near us can meet with us for Bible study and discussion.

3. We can open our church on Friday or Saturday evenings for movies, socials, or other parties. We can arrange for bowling, volleyball, or other sporting events. This will give the area deaf another place to go than only to the deaf clubs.

4. The older and younger members should mix more. Some young members should be encouraged to hold office. In this way we can all work together instead of having two separate groups in our church.

5. We can encourage our pastor to mix more with the deaf, show interest in their conversation, and have a friendly attitude toward them. This alone will encourage more outside deaf to want to be with us.

6. We should have more patience with and be of help to the slow learners in our church. If they do not understand the lesson in Sunday school or the sermon on Sunday, we should take time to explain to them and make sure they understand.

7. We should make a survey of the deaf children living in our city and try to bring them to church or Sunday school. We should try to meet their parents and invite them to come to church, too.

8. We should help our pastor more instead of criticizing him to others. If we do not like what he said or did, we should not be afraid to tell him or ask questions. We should listen to his side, too.

9. We should read our Bible and pray daily so that others will know that Christ and the Bible are an important part of our lives.

C. What Can Our National Church Do to Improve Deaf Power?

1. Before we start international gatherings, we should hold a national convention every 3 years. This would give us a chance to meet our fellow

The Bent Twig

If a child lives with hostility, he learns to fight.
If a child lives with fear, he learns to be afraid.
If a child lives with pity, he learns to feel sorry for himself.
If a child lives with jealousy, he learns to hate.
If a child lives with encouragement, he learns to be confident.
If a child lives with praise, he learns to be appreciative.
If a child lives with love, he learns to love.
If a child lives with recognition, he learns to have a goal.
If a child lives with fairness, he learns justice.
If a child lives with honesty, he learns what truth is.
If a child lives with friendliness, he learns that the world is a nice place to live.

deaf Lutherans and the other pastors from all the regions in the U.S. and Canada. Our young members would have an opportunity to meet other young people — both male and remale — of the same faith.

2. Religious programs and worship services on TV could be interpreted for the deaf.

3. We should have "This Is the Life" series captioned for use by the deaf in our churches, clubs, and schools.

4. The DEAF LUTHERAN needs to be improved by having more articles or Bible lessons written for the deaf. It needs more church news written by the deaf themselves. It should encourage deaf members who can write to contribute regularly.

5. Our church should keep track of members moving from one state to another and follow through to see that they are transferred to the church in their new home state and have had visits from the new pastor or some members of the congregation. Compiled by Mrs. Rae deRose

What do our readers think about Deaf Power? Can you add to these ideas? Will these suggestions work in your church?

Is the Church Dying?

It has been 2,000 years since Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." But as we look out into the world today we see over 3 billion people. Most of these people have never heard the Gospel. Each year the Christian population dwindles in comparison to other religions and world population. In one generation (20 years) the number of Christians dropped from 33 percent of the world population to about 23 percent. If the church continues to sleep, in another 20 years it will be down to 16 percent.

How should we look at these facts? Should we give up and say, "What's the use of trying?" as many seem to be doing, or should we ask God to forgive us and give us a new spirit? I think you know the answer.

If we are to get a new spirit, we must give ourselves to prayer and regular study of God's Word in the Bible. We must also read our church papers and keep ourselves awake to the problems and needs of our church.

The Lord Jesus must become alive in our hearts, so that we will have love and courage to bring His love and salvation to others. A Christian in Korea writes and shows that Jesus is alive in his heart: "The world does not have that which gives lasting happiness; but in Jesus we can enjoy the glories of heaven right in this life. And the best is yet to come! The Lord is preparing a place for those who love Him, and soon this brief life will be over and we shall walk on the golden streets with our Savior. With our eyes we shall see that which we now accept by faith."

This man works very hard to bring the Gospel to many of his countrymen. You will, too, as Jesus becomes alive in you! We have Jesus' promise that His church will never die.

> The Lamplighter St. Paul, Minn.

The Question Box -

The February issue of the Northwest District Edition of the *Lutheran Witness* reported how Chris Woodside, a teen-age member of one of our hearing churches, shared her faith.

It seems that a woman who was visiting and comparing many churches had written to the Port Angeles, Wash., *Evening News*. She was very disturbed to find that some churches have their people confess that they are "poor, miserable sinners" and that they are "by nature sinful and unclean."

She went on to say that she could not understand how a young person, reared in this kind of belief, could have a very positive attitude toward himself and his fellowman. Therefore, she concluded, such a young person could not do very much for the good of others.

Chris Woodside wrote the following letter to the newspaper editor:

I am a 16-year-old member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church. When I read the letter to the editor on Dec. 12, I was shocked so much I had to write this letter to defend my church.

The words "Man is by nature sinful and unclean" and "a poor

miserable sinner" are included in the liturgy of my church. I have been reared in this church and have heard these meaningful words every Sunday for 16 years.

I do not have a feeling of personal unworthiness. I do not hate myself. I do not think I am a burden to society.

I do have a feeling of personal worth. From studying the ideas of the same church that says man is sinful, I learned that I am someone special. I learned and believed that God loved me so much that He would give His Son's life so that I could live. How many people would sacrifice their only son for someone else's safety?

I do feel that I can be and am a help to society. God has given me special talents. From God I have learned to love other people as much as myself. When I graduate from college, I want to teach retarded children and handicapped children. I want to help people come to believe in God, and I think I can do this by helping people.

I am an A-student and belong to a 4-H club and the school orchestra and Port Angeles symphony. I believe that I am using my abilities to help myself and others.

Anyone that says he is not "by nature sinful and unclean, a poor miserable sinner" is not only lying to himself but to God. He is saying that he is better or just as good as God and does not need forgiveness. This is the same as saying Jesus died for nothing.

It is not an insult to God to say I am a poor miserable sinner. He loves me for saying it.

CHRIS WOODSIDE

Address your questions on any church-related subject to The Question Box, Rev. William A. Ludwig, 360 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43214.

God's Gift to His Church

Pentecost **Back Cover**

The Easter joy of Jesus' victory over sin, death, and hell never fades for the Christian. Certainly that joy never left the followers of Jesus during those difficult days of the early church.

How did these early Christians keep this joy? How did they live their faith in the face of persecution and hatred?

The answer is found in God's gift to His church — His Spirit.

After His resurrection Jesus often appeared to His disciples to strengthen their faith and reinforce their joy. These appearances were limited, however, for now these men must go to all parts of the world and share their joy with everyone.

The Lord of the church told them what to do and promised them His strength to do it. Then 40 days after Easter Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1:1-11). Ten days later God gave His gift to the church. He sent His Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:1-47)

This day is now commemorated as Pentecost, the birthday of the Christian church, the day God gave the church His Holy Spirit. The festival falls on May 17 this year, and the church changes the altar coverings to red — a color of bloodshed and fire. Red tells of the vigor of life, the zeal for God, the labors of love, and martyrdom. It is the color of the Holy Spirit. Two symbols often used on this day to designate the Holy Spirit are the sevenfold flame and the descending dove.

Pentecost concludes the first half of the church year, sometimes called the festival half. The nonfestival half begins on Trinity Sunday, May 24. This will be our subject next.

Progress Report

American Bible Society New Translations

Four years ago the American Bible Society released its New Testament translation, Today's English Version (Good News for Modern Man). Today more than 20 million copies have been circulated.

Almost immediately the society began to receive letters asking for a new translation of the Old Testament.

Already 2 years of effort has gone into the very difficult task of translating the Hebrew Old Testament, now about one third completed. The society expects to publish the Psalms next year, and the entire Bible will be ready in 1975 — in time for the society's 160th anniversary.

Here is the final draft of Psalm 1 as released in the March issue of the *Bible Society Record*.

Happy is the man

who refuses the advice of evil men,

- who does not follow the example of sinners,
- or join those who make fun of God.
- Instead, he finds joy in reading the law of the Lord,

and in studying it day and night.

- He is like a tree that grows near a stream;
 - it always gives fruit at the right time,
 - and its leaves never dry up.
- He succeeds in everything he does.
- But evil men are not like this at all;

they are like straw that the wind blows away.

Evil men, then, will be condemned by God;

sinners will be kept apart from the righteous.

- The Lord will protect the righteous man,
 - but the evil man will be lost forever.

Gifts sent to the American Bible Society through our congregations have not only helped to give us a Bible in the language we understand, but also have helped to distribute God's Word throughout the world. Continue to support the American Bible Society.

Koosman Last October Jerry (right), pitcher of the World Serieswinning New York Mets, received the 17 millionth copy of the New Testament in Today's English Version (Good News for Modern Man) from the American Bible Society. Dr. James Z. Nettinga, the Bible Society's secretary for national distribution, made the presentation, saying, "This volume is presented to Jerry Koosman in recognition of his service to the Bible cause"

Koosman, a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Holloway, Minn., gathers with several Met teammates to read the Scriptures. "The message of the Bible," he said, "has



been a source of strength and guidance to me many times." He recommends reading the Bible daily to "anyone in search of direction for living"

Notes of Interest

Drama Workshops Proposed by NTD

The National Theatre of the Deaf will set up special 1-day drama workshops in each city where the touring company appears after the first of February.

This workshop is open to all deaf and hearing individuals or groups who are actively engaged in or have a particular interst in the following areas of theater activity for the deaf: children's theater, secondary school theater, college theater, and community theater.

The workshop is devised by the

NTD in response to dozens of requests from deaf adults and schoolteachers who are interested in exchanging information and ideas concerning latest developments in their respective theatrical activities. The workshop enables them to actively participate in discussion and study, ranging from improvisation to sign-mime — the dramatic language.

Those attending will be divided into study groups to insure individual attention and maximum exposure to methods and techniques. The workshop leaders will include the regular members of the NTD acting company.

Vistaphone at NTID Rochester, N.Y.

A new device developed to provide the deaf with another avenue of communication is the "Vistaphone." The system uses picture telephones that allow the deaf to communicate visually with lipreading, the language of signs, and finger spelling.

Six units have been loaned to



the National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) for field testing and evaluation. These units are located in various offices at NTID and are interconnected by a special dial telephone switching system to handle both voice and video signals.

The Vistaphone was developed by Stromberg-Carlson Corporation, a Rochester-based subsidiary of General Dynamics.

FIELD

GLEANINGS

Rock Gospel Gallaudet College

Washington, D. C. Deaf students at Gallaudet College, the world's only liberal arts college for the deaf, have discovered "rock gospel" music.

Pastor Daniel Pokorny, Lutheran chaplain at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., recently found that deaf students could enjoy and participate in folk concerts.

While attending a national student meeting, Chaplain Pokorny found that he had to translate into the language of signs a folk program for the eight deaf students accompanying him. Their enjoyment of the musical program was astonishing. Returning to campus, the chaplain searched for "hip" religious recordings to use in his worship services. Gradually the thought of a full concert of such music evolved.

Last December Pastor Pokorny and Father Rudy Gawlik, the Catholic chaplain at Gallaudet, staged their first rock gospel for the student body.

The chaplains secured a rock music group of five Maryland high school students known as "The Edge" and presented a series of contemporary Gospel songs. Pastor Pokorny and Father Gawlik provided the even, rhythmic, and flowing signs.

Two concerts were a tremendous success. The college audiNew members at John of Beverley Chapel, Dallas. Michael and Elizabeth Carpenter are confirmed in their faith by their pastor, Rev. Wm. Duey. The couple has two hearing children. The Lutheran deaf mission was made a part of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (hearing) so that the whole family can be served in one church. This is an example of a "team ministry," another way to serve the deaf and their families

torium was packed to standing room only. The response by deaf communities throughout the country has resulted in a demand for public appearances.

The Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf invited the group to provide entertainment for their national forum in Chicago, Feb. 26.

The rock gospel concert is an



exciting medium of communicating the Gospel. It involves the audience by drawing them into a meaningful and participating relationship with those performing. Watch for the day when the group decides to tour. If it comes to your area, don't miss it!

Notes from 210

+ Rev. Ernest Drews +

We extend our condolences to the family of our friend, Pastor Ernest Drews, who departed this life on Feb. 19 after suffering a heart attack.

Pastor Drews, 53, served 15 years on the Board for Missions to the Deaf, first as secretary and then as chairman.

After graduation from Concor-

dia College, Milwaukee, in 1936 and Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis, in 1939, Pastor Drews served hearing congregations in Idaho, Washington, Minnesota, and California. Last year he completed his 30th year in the ministry. He and his wife, Ada, who now lives in Reseda, Calif., were blessed with eight children.

REV. H. W. ROHE

Movie Rating System

New York. Changes have been made in the movie industry's voluntary rating system. Under the revisions, the rating system now reads: \mathbf{G} —All ages admitted, general audiences; \mathbf{GP} — All ages admitted, parental guidance suggested; \mathbf{R} — Restricted, under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian; \mathbf{X} —No one under 17 admitted. (Age limit may vary in certain areas.)

New Church Dedicated

Flint, Mich. The DEAF LU-THERAN extends its congratulations to St. Paul's Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Flint upon the completion and dedication of its new chapel and facilities on May 3. We hope to have pictures of the new church in a forthcoming issue.

Pastor Celebrates 45th Anniversary

Kansas City, Mo. Members of Pilgrim Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Kansas City, and members from the field stations recently honored their pastor, Rev. A. E. Ferber, on his 45th year in the ministry.

Special notice was also given to his 45th anniversary as pastor of the Kansas City field. Rev. Herbert Rohe, the Secretary for Ministry to the Deaf, delivered the sermon in the worship service.

The service was made beautiful



Arranging flowers on the altar at St. Matthew Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Elmhurst, N. Y., are Mrs. Borgstrand and Mrs. Christgau. How are you serving the Lord in your congregation?



Watching Rev. A. E. Ferber display a gift given him by Pilgrim Deaf Congregation on his 45th anniversary are, left to right: Robert Baker, Pilgrim's president; Ronnie Baker, vice-president; Franklin Lehmann, who baked the cake; Mrs. Shirley Gouby, Pilgrim's Dorcas president; Pastor Ferber; Mrs. Ferber; Miss D. Jeffries, Bible class teacher; and Miss Kay Rice, choir leader

by the singing of special hymns by choir members. A beautiful gift, a traveling case, was presented to the pastor by the congregation.

The men and women of Pilgrim Church happily worked together to make the anniversary a success.

It is interesting to note that when Pastor Ferber came to Kansas City in 1924, the mission records included only one sheet of paper with several names. Under the Lord's blessings the mission grew in numbers and area served.

In 1924 services were estab-

lished at Missouri School for the Deaf and Bible classes at Kansas school for the Deaf. Later, preachin stations were begun at Leavenworth, Olathe, Salina, and Wichita, Kans., and in Joplin and Saint Joseph, Mo. In 1929 regular services were begun in Oklahoma. In 1931 part-time services were established in Memphis, Tenn. The next year regular services were begun in Denver, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, and the Colorado School for the Deaf. A beautiful chapel was dedicated in Kansas City in 1942.

Talking of his ministry, Pastor Ferber said, "Without the devoted help of my wife, Marie, this entire Gospel program would not have progressed in these proportions." Pastor Ferber also expressed thanks to all members.

Hearing Church Helps Teach Deaf Children

Scarsdale, N. Y. Last Dec. 18th, deaf students from the New York School for the Deaf in White Plains had a special Christmas worship service with the hearing students of Trinity Lutheran School, Scarsdale.

Seven ladies of Trinity Lutheran Church (hearing) give of their time and talents every week to teach the deaf. They meet every Thursday with Miss Johanna Becker, teacher of St. Matthew Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Elmhurst, N. Y. Mrs. Margaret Borgstrand, a deaf member of St. Matthew, assists Miss Becker and is teaching the language of signs to the ladies of Scarsdale.

Every Thursday, after a luncheon meeting, they travel to the New York School for the Deaf, where each one leads her own Bible class of deaf children.

On special occasions the school provides buses for transportation to Trinity Church in Scarsdale so the deaf children can have the opportunity to participate in a church worship service.

The 75 Protestant deaf children at N. Y. S. D. range in age from 4 years to 18 years.



Dec. 18. The Christmas story is told these deaf children with signs at Trinity Lutheran Church, Scarsdale, N. Y. Miss Johanna Becker on stage (right) is helped by her staff of volunteer teachers from the hearing church



Light for Your Way Daily Bible Readings May 14—July 4

Include the following in your prayers this month:

- that God would teach you and your family to humbly give yourselves to do His will.
- that God would strengthen your children against the temptations of life.
- that God would give wisdom to your pastor as he helps people with family problems.
- your prayer for courage to live your faith in word and deed at all times.
- your prayer of repentance, seeking God's forgiveness and strength.
- our church workers who celebrate birthdays this month: Mrs. Janet Hewitt, pastor's wife, Cleveland, Ohio (5-16) Pastor Louis Jasper, Kowloon, Hong Kong (5-19) Mrs. Ethel Kosche, pastor's wife, Delavan, Wis. (5-22) Mrs. Dorothy Mason, pastor's wife, Los Angeles, Calif. (5-22) Mrs. Dorothy Frederking, pastor's wife, Phoenix, Ariz. (5-24) Pastor Robert Bremer, Flint, Mich. (6-1) Pastor Rodney Rynearson, Rochester, N.Y. (6-1) Mrs. Viola Gerhold, pastor's wife, Newark, N. J. (6-6) Mrs. Jane Hodgson, pastor's wife, Garden City, N.Y. (6-8) Mrs. Patricia Pokorny, pastor's wife, Washington, D. C. (6-10) Mrs. Judy Kiiffner, pastor's wife, Georgetown, Ont., Can. (6-10) Mrs. Karen Gehrs, pastor's wife, Winnipeg, Man., Can. (6-14) Mrs. Gwendolyn Johnson, pastor's wife, Great Falls, Mont. (6-14) Mr. Harold Myhre, parish worker's husband, Milwaukee, Wis. (6-17) Mrs. Loleta Ziprick, lay assistant's wife, Calgary, Alta., Can. (6-17) Mrs. Rae deRose, parish worker, West Hartford, Conn. (6-18) Pastor Gerhard A. Gehrs Jr., Riverside, Calif. (6-19) Pastor C. Roland Gerhold, Newark, N. J. (6-26) Mrs. Selma Westermann, pastor's wife, Greensboro, N. C. (6-27) Pastor James Bengelsdorf, Des Moines, Iowa (6-28) Pastor Leroy Mason, Los Angeles, Calif. (6-30) Mrs. Doris Myhre, parish worker, Milwaukee, Wis. (7-1)

By Faith We Accept Forgiveness

May 14 — Luke 18:9-14. Those who are forgiven and made right in God's eye are humble.

- May 15 Acts 16:16-34. It is our faith that fulfills all our need. Pray for courage to give forgiveness as you have received it.
- May 16 Luke 7:36-50. Forgiveness shows itself in love.
- May 17 Joel 2:26-32. The Spirit of God has given power to the church. Pray for the Spirit to serve your fellow Christians.
- May 18-Luke 19:1-10. Forgiveness judges us and we repent.
- May 19 John 6:25-34. Through faith we have the true strength for life.
- May 20 John 17:6-26. It is forgiveness in Christ which brings us together.
- May 21 1 Corinthians 10:1-13. God's Word calls us to repentance and forgiveness.
- There Is Now No Condemnation
- May 22 Romans 6:20-23. God has given us righteousness. Give thanks that you know your peace in Christ.
- May 23 John 8:1-11. Forgiveness is the complete answer to sin.
- May 24 Numbers 6:22-27. God our Lord has given us peace. Pray for freedom from worry.
- May 25 Romans 8:12-25. In our faith God has proved our hope.
- May 26 Psalm 27:1-14. In the grace of God no man may accuse us.
- May 27 Psalm 145:1-21. All God's works are works of grace.
- May 28 Isaiah 12:1-6. In the day of grace we can only give thanks.
- May 29 Isaiah 27:2-5. God offers peace to His enemies.
- Jesus Answers Our Prayers
- May 30 John 14:12-17. Jesus promises power in prayer. Ask God to teach you the way of prayer.
- May 31 John 16:16-28. We pray in the joy of a finished salvation.
- June 1 Matthew 6:5-14. Prayer is always personal. Pray for forgiveness for the members of your church and your congregation.
- June 2 Matthew 7:7-12. God hears our prayer in love. Pray for the wisdom and the courage to bring all your needs to God.
- June 3 Psalm 34:1-22. God's children have learned that His love and His power accompany them.
- June 4 James 1:5-8. God gives steadfastness and sureness to His children. Pray for the faith of those who live under temptation.
- June 5 James 5:13-18. The church prays for all its members. Ask God to increase your love for your fellow Christians.
- Through Jesus We Come to God
- June 6 Hebrews 10:19-25. Jesus has brought us into the presence of God. Ask for a right fear of the majesty of God.
- June 7 Ephesians 3:1-13. The eternal mystery of God, revealed in Christ: He has forgiven. Give thanks that God has received us as His sons.
- June 8 John 20:11-18. Knowing Jesus we know the presence of God.
- June 9 John 16:1-11. Jesus came to teach us to know our Father.
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- We Believe in the Holy Spirit
- June 10 Matthew 10:5-23. In the power of the Holy Spirit the church bears witness.
- June 11 1 Corinthians 2:1-16. In the power of the Spirit we know the love of God.
- June 12 Galatians 5:16-26. Live in the humbleness of love, not in the pride of self.
- June 13 Mark 3:20-30. The Holy Spirit creates our desire for forgiveness.

June 14 — Isaiah 61:1-7. God's Spirit through Christ has set us free.

- June 15 Ezekiel 37:1-10. In the power of the Holy Spirit we live.
- The Holy Spirit Builds One Church
- June 16 Acts 2:1-21. The Christian church began in the power of the Spirit. Ask God to help us understand our fellow Christians.
- June 17 Acts 10:34-48. The church has no racial boundaries.
- June 18 Ephesians 2:11-22. God has united all kinds in one body.
- June 19 1 Corinthians 12:1-11. The same Spirit of God works in every Christian.
- June 20 1 Corinthians 12:12-27. In the Holy Spirit each Christian works for all others.
- June 21 Ephesians 4:1-16. We build one another up through the gifts we have been given.
- June 22 Romans 12:3-8. In the Holy Spirit we are humble.
- The Holy Trinity
- June 23 Mark 12:28-34. Our God is one, and there is no other God. Give thanks that God has made Himself our Father.
- June 24 Isaiah 45:1-8. There is no God besides our God. Give thanks that God has come to us in Jesus Christ for our salvation.
- June 25 1 Corinthians 8:4-6. In the Spirit we know the only true God. Give thanks that God has filled us with His Spirit.
- June 26 Ephesians 3:14-21. The Father gives the Spirit that we might grow in Christ.
- June 27 Mark 1:1-11. God showed Himself as Trinity.
- June 28 2 Corinthians 13:5-14. We examine ourselves for repentant faith.
- June 29 Isaiah 57:14-21. God is beyond our understanding.

God Sustains His Church

- June 30 Ephesians 1:15-23. All things are in the power of God our Savior.
- July 1 Matthew 16:13-20. The faith of the church is the gift of God.
- July 2 Daniel 2:36-45. The kingdom of God is above all earthly power.
- July 3 1 Kings 19:9-18. In time of trouble God directs the church. Ask God for strength to do His will.
- July 4 Psalm 46. God guides the nations for His people.

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