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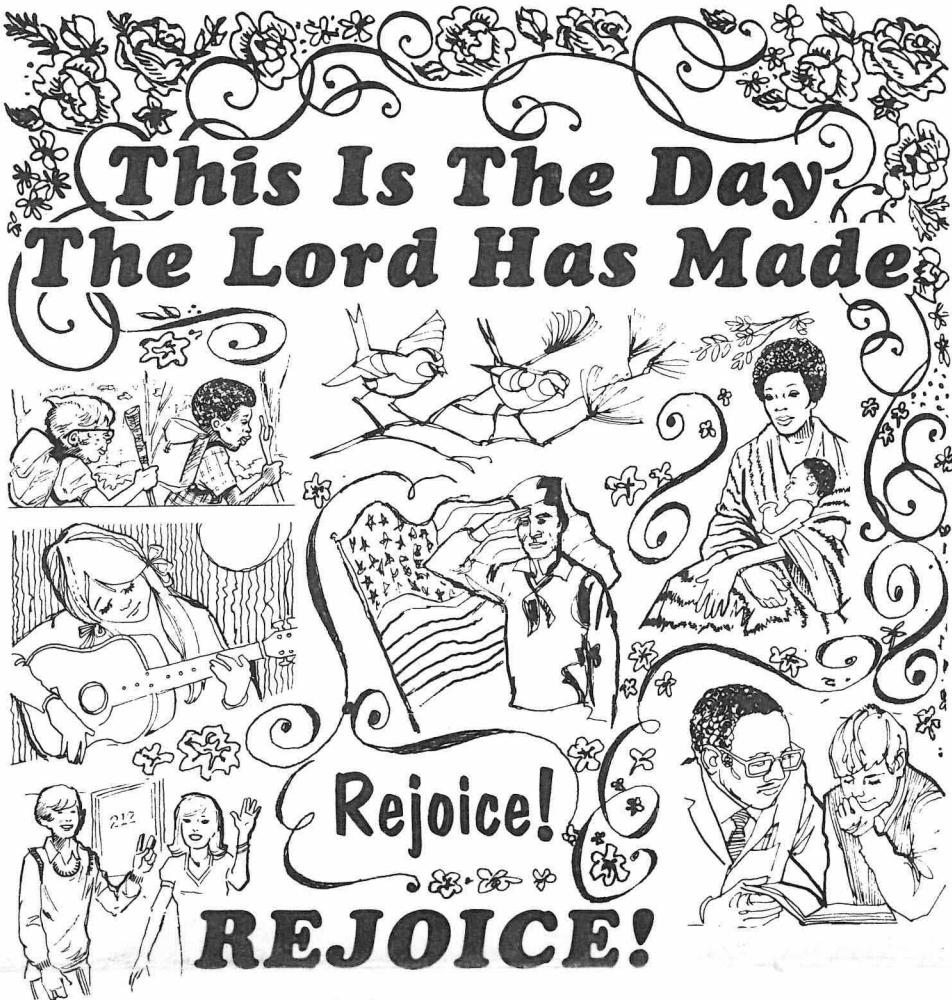


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by Miss Gloria Mayer, office secretary
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HVMN: 10

*This is the day the Lord hath made; He calls the hours
Let heav'n re-joyce, let earth be glad And praise surround
His own;
the throne.*

*To - day He rose and left the dead, And Sa-tan's em-pire
fell;
To - day the saints His triumphs spread And all His
won-ders tell.*

*Ho - san-na to th'a-noint-ed King, To Da-vid's Ho-ly Son!
Help us, O Lord; de-scend and bring Sal -va-tion from the
throne. A-men.*

We begin our worship in the name of the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The portion from Scripture on which today's meditation is based is taken from the 100th Psalm and Psalm 118 which read as follows:

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto Him and bless his name. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

I have to confess that when I first saw this month's chapel schedule my immediate reaction was, Verna, why me?" As far as I was concerned, the end of February was not the greatest time to be giving chapel - or doing much of anything else for that matter. Just what could I possibly speak on? I could hardly give another talk on Christmas - that subject had already been covered many times. Yet it seemed rather soon to get into Lent. And I've never been one to give messages on the thoughts of Valentine's Day or various President's birthdays. I really felt at a loss for any kind of inspiration for chapel talk.

Soon I began to realize that it wasn't chapel that had me stumped and frustrated - it was the time of the year itself! I've always been one of those people for whom February, particularly the end of February, has represented something I look forward to about as much as a bad toothache. By this time of the year I'm firmly entrenched in the BLAHS. I don't want to get up to go to work in the morning yet I don't want to stay home. I really don't have much enthusiasm for anything. I've grown disenchanted with snow, ice, and cold. I become convinced that Spring will never arrive. I'm tired of seeing brown grass and bare trees. And somehow the gap between the Christmas holidays and Easter seems endless.

But a few years ago, something did happen one February that helped to change that attitude whenever I stop to think about it. At that time, I was teaching 3rd grade in a parish in Northern Illinois. For my students, the February BLAHS represented a real problem at times except for one child. While my class and I plodded our way through the end of winter this little girl made up for the rest of us with her abundance of enthusiasm. For Susan, that February was a special month - but then Susan was a special child. At the age of 5, Susan had become very ill. After many months of numerous tests, the diagnosis was certain - a malignant brain tumor of the pituitary gland. During the next 3 years, Susan underwent 8 operations. These were necessary so that parts of the tumor could be removed and the pressure on the brain relieved. Although each surgery proved successful in that it provided temporary relief, the prognosis reminded the same - this child was terminal. The doctors would quote a time element but simply stated that within an indefinite period of time, the tumor would fulfill its task and Susan would die. So that particular February became special for Susan. It was the first February she was able to spend as a normal child. Throughout previous years she had spent most of the winter months in hospitals either undergoing surgery or suffering the side effects of radiation treatment. Her body also was plagued with a variety of diseases since it had been robbed of all resistance to infection by the strong drugs which were used to halt the spread of the tumor. But that February was spent in the classroom with her schoolmates. It didn't seem to matter that her classmates and her teacher were restless or bored. To Susan, the drabness of the end of winter became something very wonderful. It was time to live like other children, it might be the only February she would have with them. Time was to later prove these feelings to be true.

In the years that have passed, I have still found myself a victim of the February doldrums. But every now and then, the memory of that February with Susan comes to mind and with it comes the words of David, "This is the day the Lord hath made. We will rejoice and be glad in it." Then I realize again what a fool I must be. Here is a day the Lord has given me! How can I view it with anything less than joy? I have been so fortunate - the Lord has given me many Februaries. And how many have I wasted? But, praise the Lord - it still isn't too late. I still can make a joyful noise to the Lord - I can still serve Him with gladness! Each day gives me another opportunity to witness for Christ. How can I really think of any day as a waste?

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The Meaning of Lent--A Layman's Viewpoint



by Clarence Schulz

*Lent unfolds its grimest story
Of how Christ in agony suffered
and died
So that He gained for us victory.
Now His way of life is our guide.*

During the season of Lent many important events impress us with the suffering and death of Christ, the Savior.

In my opinion, the scene at Calvary is the most dramatic that has ever happened. Why? Let me explain.

What was first drawn, like a magnet, to the cross? THE CROWD-- a mixture of different kinds of people. Some came to see how appalling His suffering and death were. Some were curious, wanting to find out what kind of Man this was who claimed to be the Son of God. Some were full of doubt, wanting to observe whether His death was something noble, or just a plain common death. Some, of course, were wise philosophers with varying degrees of intelligence, coming to see who Christ was.

Others in large numbers came to taunt, jeer, or mock Him. Even the "churchmen" joined the crowd to deride His true Love--to be offered for all mankind. The humble were there, too, especially St. John, a few women, and perhaps a few would-be disciples, beholding Him hung between heaven and earth, wondering in silence.

So we, the deaf feel the same way as we like to join in the crowd. Perhaps it is our excitement or our curiosity to want to see what had happened there. Understandably, the deaf like to see and assemble in crowds, as we do at the club, or other organizations, or at church, to feel togetherness. They have a common method of communication, they have common questions to ask. Some are ignorant, foolish, or odd. In the sprawling city--be it Chicago or San Francisco or New York City or St. Louis, they say the popu-

lation of the deaf and the hearing impaired is ranging from 10,000 to 15,000. What a large population of hearing handicapped it is! It is in a true sense, a majority of the deaf! What a challenge to tell them of Christ Crucified!

Go back to Calvary and watch the crowd, including the deaf. That sea of humanity--and the lone God before them. WHAT A CONTRAST! Despite the differences in lives and interests there are unmistakably two kinds of people there--Christians and non-Christians. God's verdict will be clear and final. There are just TWO ways for them to go--the Way of Salvation, or the way of condemnation. I cannot help but compare this picture of that unfortunate group of unbelieving deaf with Shakespeare's words spoken in the play "Macbeth"...

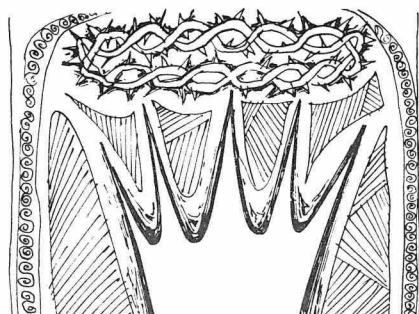
*"Out, out, brief candle!
Life's but a walking shadow,
That struts and frets his hour
upon the stage
And then is heard no more.
It is a tale told by an idiot,
full of sound and fury,
signifying nothing."*

There is a good, believing group of deaf, serene, wise and patient. They understand their handicaps in their blessed disguise and still help spread the News of Christ with its true meaning. They can do the most good for the deaf. Of course, they have to mingle in the crowd of the deaf, among the skeptics, the sarcastics, the agnostics, the hardened-- any type of deaf person.

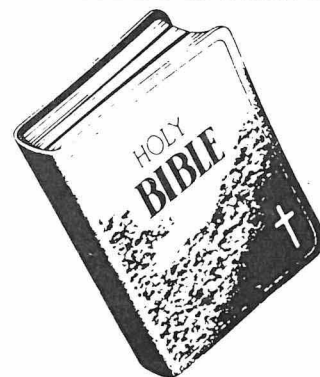
They understand why it was necessary for Christ to meet His death as foretold by the Prophet Isaiah seven hundred and sixty years before Christ was born... "He was despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief... and the Lord has lain on Him the iniquity of us all."

So it does not have to be that the unfortunate, unbelieving deaf can have no hopes, no aims. There is always the opportunity for them to know what the death and resurrection of Christ mean-- that by faith in Him they can have forgiveness and peace and eternal life.

May the power of Lent draw more deaf like a strong magnet to salvation through Christ Crucified and Risen again!



DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE



Bible Reading

FOR MARCH, 1976

- 1Matthew 16:13-26.....
- 2Luke 14:25-35.....
- 3Mark 10:17-31.....
- 4Acts 20:17-35.....
- 5Romans 12:1-8.....
- 62 Timothy 2:1-15.....

STRENGTH FOR LIFE'S ADVERSITIES

- 7 Sunday...Job 23:1-10.....
- 8Psalm 37:1-11.....
- 9Psalm 37:18-31.....
- 10Psalm 63:1-11.....
- 11Psalm 119:46-72.....
- 12John 16:16-24.....
- 13Hebrews 13:1-8.....

A WITNESS - BEARING LIFE

- 14 Sunday...John 1:43-51.....
- 15Matthew 9:35 - 10:8.....
- 16Luke 5:1-11.....
- 17Mark 4:1-20.....
- 18Acts 8:26-40.....
- 19John 9:13-25.....
- 20Acts 7:59 - 8:8.....

LIFE THROUGH THE SAVIOR'S DEATH

- 21 Sunday .Mark 11:1-11.....
- 22Mark 14:1-9.....
- 23Matthew 26:14-25.....
- 24Matthew 26:36-46.....
- 25Matthew 27:11-31.....
- 26Mark 15:25-41.....
- 27Hebrews 9:11-28.....

LIFE WITH THE RISEN LORD

- 28 Sunday...Matthew 28:1-10.....
- 29John 20:1-18.....
- 30Luke 24:13-35.....
- 31Luke 24:36-49.....

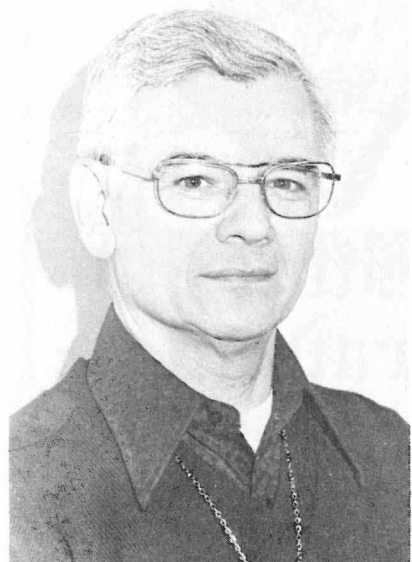


*"All I want is to know Christ
and to experience the power
of His resurrection; to share
in His sufferings and to
become like Him in His death."
Phil. 3:10 (TEV)*

ILDA PAGE



ILDA Board of Directors Meet



President
Elmer Francisco



Executive Officers:
(left to right)
J. Kindred
R. Healey
A. Marshall
E. Francisco
Rev. H. Rohe



Pres.-Elect Joe Kindred

The Board of Directors of The International Lutheran Deaf Association (ILDA) met in St. Louis February 12-14, 1976. The meeting was held in Loeber Hall at Concordia Seminary in Clayton, Mo.

Attending the meeting were: President Elmer Francisco; President-Elect Joseph Kindred; Secy. Archie D. Marshall; Treasurer Russel Healey, and Secretary for Ministry to the Deaf, Rev. Herbert Rohe.

Regional Vice-Presidents attending were: Dixie-Miss Beverly Willett, substituting for Mr. Billy Fitzgerald who was ill; Eastern-August Beyer; Great Lakes-Clarence Schulz; Midwest-Ronald Nester; Northwest-Harold Rife; and Pacific-Harold Thuve. Absent were: Central-Fred Stewart and Pastoral Advisor, Rev. Rodney Rynearson. The two men absent sent word stating their inability to attend this meeting and both had very good reasons and were honorably excused. In the absence of Pastoral Advisor Rynearson, Rev. H. Rohe took care of most of the devotions and prayers.

The Executive Board met for a full eight hours getting the agency in order before the rest of the Board arrived. With nearly a full board in session many things were discussed and among the most important decisions made were:

1. The minutes of the June 30-July 3, 1975 Board meetings in Washington, D.C. were reviewed, corrected and approved for the record.

2. The Eastern Region was given more time to prepare a report on the last convention held in Washington, D.C. We expect a full report from them very soon.

3. Approved the Constitution and By-Laws of the Eastern Region that had been submitted and examined by ILDA's Law Committee. Rejection was given Eastern Region's request for 500 copies of it to be printed at ILDA's expense.

4. Urged each Regional Representative to urge their Regional Conferences to send in nominations for ILDA offices at least one year before convention time.

5. The Secretary was authorized to write a letter to Rev. Prok asking him to turn over all LDMS funds to our Treasurer Mr. Russel Healey.

6. Pledged to go ahead at all deliberate speed in fulfilling the three mission projects that were adopted at the last convention.

7. The Secretary was authorized to write a letter to Rev. Pokorny requesting the promised audited books showing how the \$53,000 AAL grant had been spent. This grant was sent to SITS-Deaf Conference through the treasury of ILDA.

8. Approved the primary plans of the 1977 ILDA Convention Committee in Spokane, Washington. The tentative dates of the convention will be June 30-July 3, 1977.

9. Approval was given to have a brochure explaining ILDA's functions and goals. This design work will be taken care of by Mr. Clarence Schulz and Mr. Archie D. Marshall.

10. Approved of having ILDA letterheads and envelopes printed.

11. Approved the Eugene Clupper Memorial Fund idea.

12. The Secretary is to write a letter to the Ephphatha Conference urging the preparation of a series of "Round Robin Sermons" that will be available to lay leaders of churches having vacancies.

13. Approved a \$10 per month raise in the salaries of the Editor and the Business Manager of The Deaf Lutheran.

14. Approved of having a banner contest that will give ILDA it's own official banner. The top prize of \$50.00 will be donated by the Editor of The Deaf Lutheran.

15. Approved of President Francisco's idea to encourage regions, congregations and districts to set aside one day of donations each year to help ILDA fulfill it's mission projects.

16. Approved of a budget cut of \$3,000 because that much was cut from our subsidiary request.

17. Agreed to provide a \$10,000 bond for our Treasurer.

If God wills it, the next ILDA Board meeting will be held on October 21-23, 1976. Due to the central location of St. Louis, Missouri, there is a good chance it will be held here again.

Respectfully submitted,
Archie D. Marshall, ILDA Secretary



← Front row, Left to right..B.Willett, J.Kindred, August Beyer, Harold Rife
Front row, left to right: B.Willett, J.Kindred, A.Beyer, H.Rife, H.Rohe,
Back row, left to right: H.Thuve, C.Schulz, R.Nester, R.Healey, B.Healey, E.Francisco, A.Marshall & J.Kemper.
(Betty Healey & Jackie Kemper were visitors).

After a hard day's work which included most of the night too, the Board went to Shakey's Pizza Parlor for snacks and beer! Yummy! →



THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE - REJOICE!

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Perhaps I will never pick the end of winter for my favorite time of the year but I can still rejoice as Susan did, in the fact that I am alive and well and able to go about my daily tasks. As each day comes, I can join with the Palmist, "This is the day the Lord has Made." I WILL rejoice and be glad in it. May the Lord grant to all of us joy in the days He has given to us.

Amen.

This devotion was given at chapel service February 24, 1976 at LC/MS Headquarters, 500 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo. by Miss Gloria Mayer, office secretary of The Armed Forces Commission.



LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT...

A SPECIAL BABY

BY CATHY RICE
from...The Ranch Hand

EXODUS 1:7 - 2:4

A NEW PHARAOH

The children of Israel had been in Egypt for a long time. Four hundred years had passed. Many babies had been born, there were more and more Israelites and now they were becoming a strong nation.

Joseph had been dead for many years. The kind Pharaoh (king) who was a friend of Joseph had been dead for a long time. The new king did not like the Israelite people. He could see that there were more and more of the Israelites. Pharaoh was afraid they might start a war. Pharaoh was afraid the Israelites might rule the entire land of Egypt. Pharaoh said they must do something to stop the Israelites from becoming so powerful.

A BAD PLAN

Pharaoh had a plan. His plan was to make the Israelites to be slaves. Pharaoh said he would make the people work very, very hard. He would make them work in the fields and bake bricks to make houses. These were hard jobs in such a hot country. Pharaoh said this would make the Israelites very weak.

But Pharaoh was very sur-

"Truthworthiness is absolute
In this great Book divine;
We find in it so many things
That do true life define.
It makes us pause and wonder,
As it cites the laws of life
That bring peace, joy,
and happiness,
And save us from much strife.
Exceed philosophy,
And all the man-made plans to live
That fail so signally.
The highest principles of life
That man has ever known,
Are found in this Holy Book
So time and tests have shown."

-A. E. Finn

prised. The people did not become weak. The people grew more and more strong. Pharaoh could not understand how these people could work so hard. He did not know that God was taking care of them.

When this plan did not work Pharaoh thought of a new plan. His plan was to kill every baby boy born to the Israelites. He sent a message to the people. The message said: "Every baby boy that is born among your people must be thrown into the Nile River." This was a hard thing for the Israelites. They wanted to keep their baby boys.

A BABY BOY BORN

During this time there was a family of Levi. The husband and wife had two children. A girl named Miriam. A boy named Aaron. Now a third child was born. It was a beautiful baby boy. The mother and father loved the baby very much. Miriam and Aaron loved their new brother. They did not want to throw their baby into the Nile River. The mother decided to hide the baby. She hid her baby for three months. But the baby grew so much that she could not hide him any longer.

The mother thought of another plan. She made a basket in the shape of a boat out of bulrush weeds. She put clay and tar on it to keep the water out. She put a bed in the bottom of the basket. Then she put her baby boy in the basket.

The mother hurried to the Nile River. She put the basket into the river. She chose a spot near where the daughter of Pharaoh came to bathe. The mother told Miriam to stay nearby and watch her baby brother.

God had promised to save the Israelites. They were His people. God used Pharaoh's evil plan to set His people free. This baby boy was going to be their leader. His name was Moses. This is a good lesson to learn. God often uses wicked people to help His people.

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"And now brethren let us give in accordance with what we reported on Form 1040."

What Do You Say?

Trinity of Utica (Michigan)
...submitted by Clarence Schulz

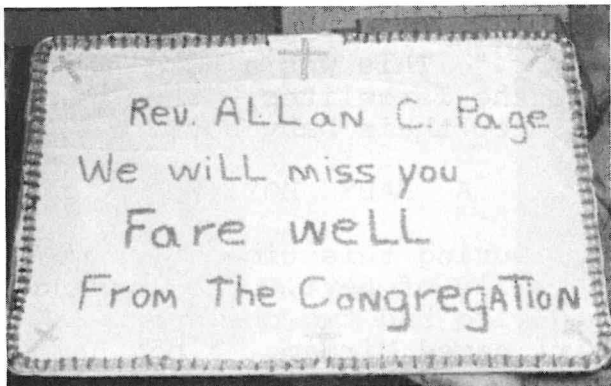
Christian, if you were talking to a man you knew was going to die, what would be the most important thing you could say?

"Friend, I have good news for you today. Death is not the end. It is but the beginning or doorway to an eternal life of happiness in the mansions of heaven.

"This has been made possible for me and for you by God's Son, Jesus Christ. I can't force you to believe this. I can only say that God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son so that anyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. I believe this, with God's help. I pray and thank God everyday for this precious gift of eternal life. I have faith that it is true. You can believe it too, with God's help. Pray for it. And I'll pray with you."

This is the message a Christian should be ready to give. This is the message which is told each week on The Lutheran Hour. It reaches millions of people. You have a part in Spreading this Good News, through your prayers and generous gifts.





Farewell cake for Rev. & Mrs. Page. The handwork of Mr. Rickie Rowray.

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa....Word of God..... On February 29, 1976, the congregation gave a farewell party for Rev. and Mrs. Allan C. Page. Rev. Page accepted a call to The Lutheran Church of the Deaf of West Hartford, Connecticut. The Pages left Cedar Rapids on March 15th.

Rickie Rowray, Vice-President of Word of God made an impressive farewell cake with the inscription "Rev. Allan C. Page, We will miss you. Farewell! From the Congregation."

Mr. Rowray also presented Rev. & Mrs. Page with a farewell card that had a sum of money enclosed that was a gift from the congregation. The ladies of Word of God served refreshments.

Mr. Jerry Dooley of Dubuque, Iowa Bible Study Group also presented Rev. and Mrs. Page with a farewell card from that preaching station.

Rev. Richard Thompson, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church (a hearing congregation) of Cedar Rapids will serve as vacancy pastor until Word of God congregation gets a new pastor. Rev. Thompson knows the sign language of the deaf, having served the deaf of Cedar Rapids back in 1971 during a portion of the vacancy that existed then and while Rev. Thompson was vicar at Trinity.

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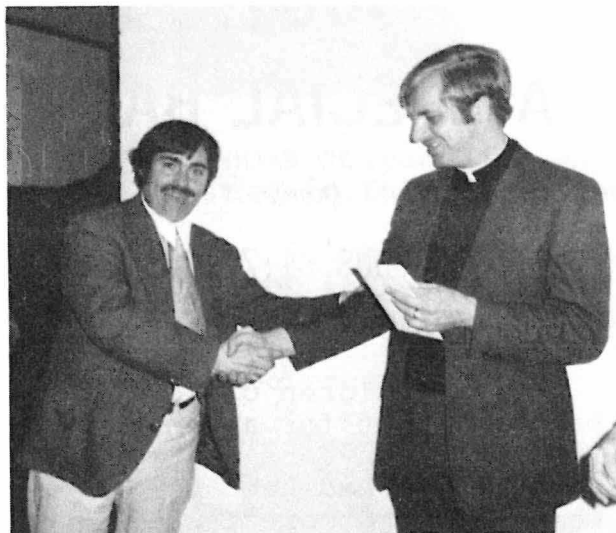
The Lord has been very good to Pastor Alvin E. Ferber. Upon invitation he is now a pastoral assistant to Pastor Howard Barth, of the Calvary Lutheran Church of Kansas City. This is a somewhat large, but very friendly congregation - also together they stand firmly on the Inspired Gospel and the Lutheran Church - Mo.Synod and its Mission Program.

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A group of 10 to 18 deaf people in Vero Beach, Florida, feeling the need of God's Word in their lives, contacted Pastor Douches of The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Vero Beach. He, in turn, asked Pastor Oermann to meet with the group. They met on Feb. 4, 1976 in the home of a Lutheran deaf couple there. The group asked Pastor Oermann to come to Vero Beach once a month to have a Bible Class with them and later to arrange worship services for the Deaf.

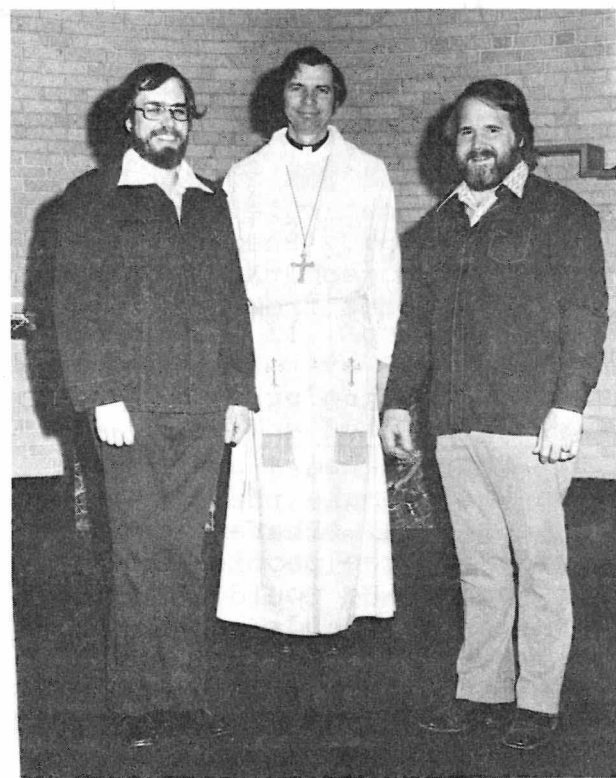


Rickie Rowray presenting Rev. & Mrs. Page with a farewell card containing a sum of money from the congregation.



Mr. Jerry Dooley of Dubuque, Iowa presenting a farewell card to the Pages from Dubuque Bible Study Group.

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K. Ohmar Mørk (left), Rev. M.A. Hewitt, and Mr. Bill Schwarz, Pres. of Holy Cross in St. Louis shortly after Mr. Mørk was received into membership.

Sunday, February 29, 1976, Mr. K. Omahr Mørk by profession of faith was received into membership of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf in St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Mørk is profoundly deaf, a native of Norway, and a senior at Concordia Seminary in Clayton, Mo. He aspires to become the next deaf ordained minister in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Mr. Mørk did his vicarage in Washington, D.C. last year. Keep your calls ready for the day he receives his sheepskin.

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Never put off until tomorrow what you should have done yesterday.

I MET THE STRANGEST MAN ON THE WAY TO CHURCH

He said he believed in the Bible, but he never reads it. He said he thought well of the church of which he is a member, but he never attends. He said a man should be honest with God in money matters, but he never tithes. He said the younger generation needs the Lord, but he isn't leading them in that direction. He said the church needs dedicated Christian members, but he isn't one. He said the church should do more in ministering to people, but he doesn't help. He is critical of some of the workers, but he never works. He is critical of the way the church is "run", but he never participates. He says the Lord is surely coming, but he lives as though the Lord will never return. He says prayer will change things, but he never prays. HE WAS A STRANGE MAN INDEED!

--Selected-- from the Feb. '76 newsletter of Silent Lutheran Church Madison, Wisconsin

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A pastor was showing his new confirmation class around the church. They came to a memorial plaque hanging in the narthex wall. The pastor said, "The plaque is for all the church members who died in the service." One person asked, "Which service? The 9:30 or the 1:30 or the 2:00?"

...from Delaware Valley LC Newsletter Pastor Jerold D. Munz

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Eastern Region ILDA Convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa. on Memorial Day weekend, May 28, 29, 30 and 31st. It is our nation's birthplace, and we'll be having ample time to see all the important historical sites in Philadelphia and nearby Valley Forge. Time for fun, Christian fellowship and Christian growth, plus time for our ILDA business. Those of you who are interested in attending this convention, please see Warren King. Write to him at: St. Matthew Lutheran Church of the Deaf

41-01 75th Street
Elmhurst, N.Y. 11373

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St. Matthew Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Elmhurst, New York has a beautiful new letterhead. It was designed using their first prize winning banner feature "New Life" that took top honors at the last ILDA Convention in D.C.

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A new booklet from Public Service Programs, "A Look at Fingerspelling," will be off the press at the end of February, 1976. This is the second booklet in the series, Understanding: A Series on Communication With Deaf People. Like its companion, A Look at American Sign Language, this booklet treats one facet of visible communication. Persons wanting copies of these booklets should contact Public Service Programs, Gallaudet College.

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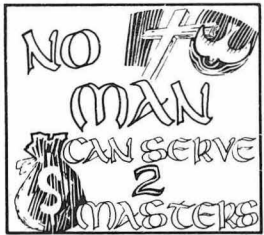
of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod provides trustworthy training materials, spiritually inspiring, Biblically accurate, appropriately graded, and educationally sound.

Materials and activities to take note of the U.S. Bicentennial can be supplied locally as desired.

Examine the VBS catalog recently mailed to your church. Examination kits and course materials can be ordered from CPH or your local religious book dealer.

This summer provide a worthwhile emphasis on Christian citizenship in your vacation Bible school. Teach children and youth in your community to appreciate their opportunities to serve "The Lord - the Nations - the People."

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LIFE'S HIGHEST VALUE

Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Matthew 6:21

The thing that a man considers to be the most valuable will be the thing around which his life centers. If money is the highest value, he will cause everything in his life to revolve about money making, even if it ruins his health. If family, job, recreation, or pleasure is his highest goal, he will accordingly devote his time and talents and treasure to it.

What is a Christian's highest value? Surely it is his relation to God through Jesus Christ, for his well being in time and in eternity depends on it. He knows that in all eternity God planned for salvation and sent His own Son to be the Savior. Unconditional forgiveness is ours because of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. As Christians we rejoice in the life made possible by the life, death, and resurrection of Christ.

What about the values of our life? To what do we give priority? Is Christ first and foremost? Does the life in Him prompt us to share the Gospel with others, to be open to our brothers and sisters in need, to use our Christian freedom to pursue the real value of a life lived in Christ? Is He our treasure? Is our heart with Him?

PRAYER: Lord, preserve us from the error of placing the highest values of life on things rather than on YOU.

Amen

--Portals of Prayer

From the monthly newsletter of Silent Lutheran Church Madison, Wisconsin

Having Fellowship With Long-Time Friends

On a recent visit at favorite places of Colorado, including the School for the Deaf at Colorado Springs, Pastor A.E. Ferber was invited to conduct the morning Communion worship for members of the Bethel Lutheran Church (congregation) of the Deaf. A number of the friends had been baptized and/or confirmed by Pastor Ferber when he served the Colorado Mission from 1932 until 1951.

The pictures below show the happy occasion or celebration.



THE FINE CONGREGATION THAT ASSEMBLED FOR THIS HAPPY DAY. Standing behind the children, Mrs. Ferber is the second (2nd) lady from the right standing to the right of Mrs. G. Dietz. Pastor Ferber is to the extreme left with hand on shoulder of Mr. Herman Butler.



OFFICERS OF THE CONGREGATION OF BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE DEAF. Right to left: Pastor A.E. Ferber; Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Puzick; Treasurer, Mr. George Dietz; Vice-President, Mr. Orrin Elstad; President, Mr. Herman Butler. Far left: Mr. Ron Jackson, member.

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A SHORT STORY ABOUT NOBODY

Fred Somebody, Thomas Everybody Pete Anybody, and Joe Nobody were neighbors, but they were not like you and me. They were different people from us, and most difficult to understand. The way they lived was a shame All four belonged to the same church, but you couldn't have enjoyed working with them. Everybody went fishing on Sunday or stayed home to visit friends

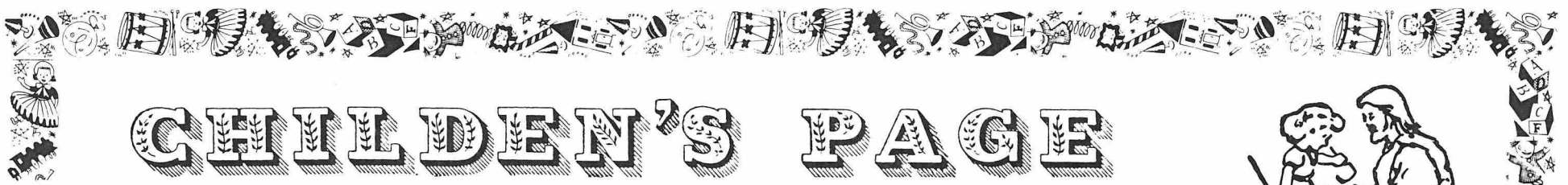
Anybody wanted to go to church, but was afraid Somebody would not speak to him. Nobody went to church. Really, Nobody was the only deacon one of the four. Nobody did visiting. Nobody worked on the church building. Once they needed a Lecturer, Everybody

thought Anybody would do it, and Somebody thought Everybody should. Guess who finally did it? That's right, Nobody...It happened that a fifth person came to live among them (non-member). Everybody thought Somebody should try to win him; Anybody could have made an effort, but guess who finally won him for membership. That's right...Nobody." Which are you going to be?

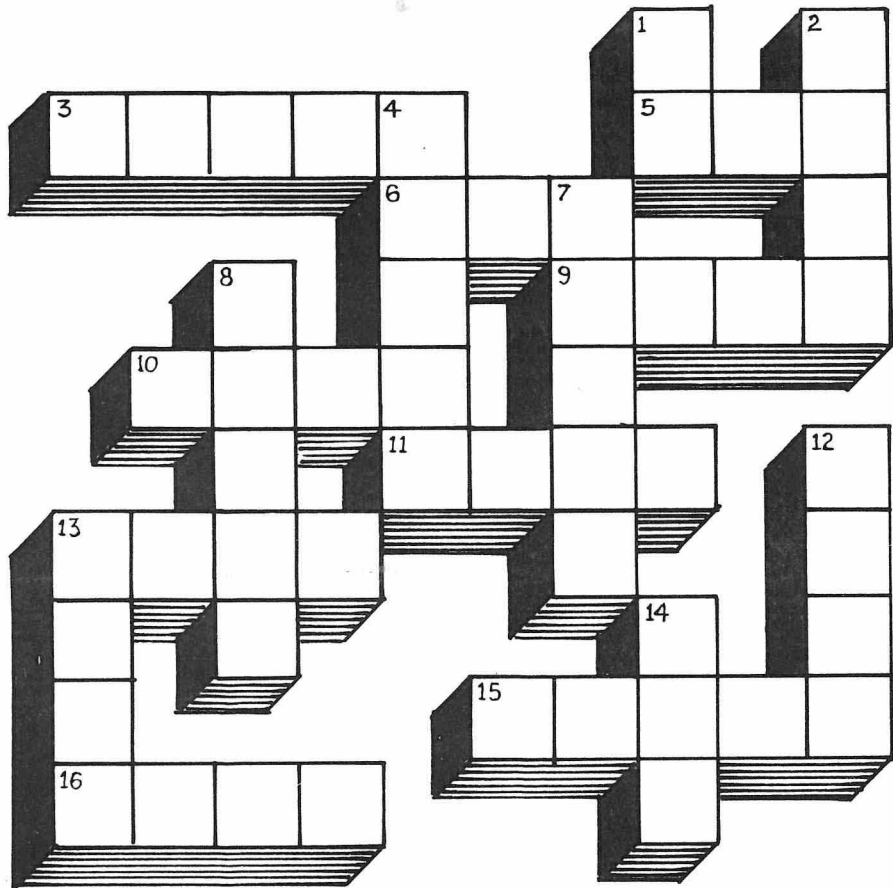
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*** BIBLE CROSSWORD PUZZLE ***



A C R O S S

- 3. God sent His Son _____ into the world.
- 5. To disobey God is _____. 6. _____ people sin against God.
- 9. God wants all people to _____ Him.
- 10. We can do nothing to _____ ourselves from sin.
- 11. Jesus suffered and _____ for us.
- 13. We _____ sin against God.
- 15. We should _____ Jesus for His great love.
- 16. Jesus was born of the virgin _____.

D O W N

- 1. Heaven is closed to __ as long as we have sin.
- 2. _____ God could help us.
- 4. Jesus _____ us. 7. God always _____ us.
- 8. Jesus died on the _____.
- 12. Jesus _____ the punishment for our sin.
- 13. _____ and Eve disobeyed God.
- 14. Jesus told the people the _____ to heaven.



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MET ANY SKUNKS LATELY?
 The Ford Truck Times, in its recent issue devoted to recreation, offered this tip to any sportsman who takes his truck into camping country and tangles with a skunk. To wash off the smell, use a cup of dry mustard in a bucket of water.

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The whisper of a pretty girl can be heard further than the roar of a lion.

ANSWERS: 1. Two in the bush. 2. Paul. 3. Its weakest link. 4. at leisure. 5. Acorns grow. 6. You can do today. 7. Part of vapor. 8. Deep blue sea. 9. No takes. 10. healthy, wealthy and wise. 11. They're hatched.

CHILDREN'S PAGE



Men still die with their boots on, but one of them is usually on the accelerator.

COMPLETE THE MISSING WORDS

- 1. A bird in the hand is worth _____.
- 2. Borrow from Peter to pay _____.
- 3. A chain is only as strong as _____.
- 4. Marry in haste, repent _____.
- 5. Great oaks from little _____.
- 6. Don't put off till tomorrow what _____.
- 7. Discretion is the better _____.
- 8. Between the Devil and the _____.
- 9. Dead men tell _____.
- 10. Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man _____.
- 11. Don't count your chickens until _____.

(Answers at bottom of page upside down)

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 SPORTS TERM QUIZ - Draw a line from the sport term in the column on the left to the sport in the column on the right

SPORT TERM:	SPORT:
1. Tee	1. Hockey
2. T-formation	2. Basketball
3. Lay-up	3. Golf
4. Shell	4. Badminton
5. Butterfly	5. Football
6. Chukker	6. Skiing
7. Puck	7. Rowing
8. Shortstop	8. Billiards or pool
9. Christy	9. Polo
10. Apprentice	10. Bowling
11. Clay pigeon	11. Swimming
12. Sulky	12. Field hockey
13. Spare	13. Baseball
14. Balk spot	14. Horseracing
15. Shuttlecock	15. Trapshooting
16. Billy	16. Harness racing

Answers: 1.-3.; 2.-5.; 3.-2.; 4.-7.; 5.-11.; 6.-9.; 7.-1.; 8.-13.; 9.-6.; 10.-14.; 11.-15.; 12.-16.; 13.-10.; 14.-8.; 15.-4.; 16.-12

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1. Active.....	2. Associate.....	3. Sustaining.....
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