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## Our Guide.

Jesus! be our Guide,  
As through life we glide;  
Faithfully in our behavior  
May we follow Thee, dear Savior:  
Lead us by Thy hand  
Through to Fatherland.  
  
When the world is cold,  
Let us to Thee hold;  
When the cup of sorrow draining,  
May we do so uncomplaining;  
For through trials we  
Find our way to Thee.

## God's Presence.

"My presence shall go with thee." This is God's promise given to His children. Suppose you had a long and dangerous journey—you would like company. How pleasant if some kind friend acted as guide and led you by the hand and protected you. No fear, then. God, the almighty and merciful Father, goes with His children on their journey. He says, "My presence shall go with thee." Life is a going forward from day to day, and God goes with His children, watching over them and directing their steps. No fear, then.

## Come to Jesus.

Jesus says: "I am the Bread of Life; he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst," John 6, 35. O hungry and thirsty ones, heed the loving voice of your Savior. All the pleasures and all the treasures of this world cannot truly satisfy your souls. There is a hunger which only Jesus can satisfy, a thirst which none but Jesus can quench. Come to Him with all your sins and doubts and fears and questionings, and learn the meaning of the precious invitation, "Whosoever will, let him take the water

of life freely," Rev. 22, 17. Come to Him, who is willing and mighty to save. Then can you enter into the gladness of those who confess:

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus only,  
Can my heart-felt longing still;  
Without Him my soul is lonely,  
And I wish what Jesus will.  
For my heart, which He hath filled,  
Ever cries: Lord, as Thou wilt.

## Salvation for Nothing.

A man may as well think of buying light from the sun, or air from the atmosphere, or water from the well-spring or minerals from the earth, or fish from the sea, as think of buying salvation from God with any kind of price. The sun gives his light, the atmosphere its air, the well-spring its water, the earth its minerals, the sea its fish: all man has to do is to take them and use them. So God has given salvation to man. All he has to do is to take it by faith, use, and enjoy it.

SOME FOLKS have the habit of coming late to church services, even so late as to arrive when the pastor is delivering his sermon. Whether this is due to a lack of proper training, or to indifference, or to some other cause, we cannot always tell. But it is a bad habit in every case. For, by coming late you not only often disturb others in their devotion, but you are also robbing yourself of the full benefit of the services, especially so, if you come after the pastor has already read the text of his sermon. Better correct the habit!

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Rom. 10, 9.

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**QUARTERLY RECEIPTS.**—The following collections and contributions were received during the quarter ending March 31, 1909: By Rev. A. Boll: Toledo \$7.20; Ft. Wayne \$11.00; Lima \$2.10; Detroit \$4.80; Indianapolis \$3.75; Louisville \$6.35; Cleveland \$7.20; offering for our school at North Detroit \$7.00. By Rev. N. Jensen: Omaha \$9.24; Kansas City \$3.60; Caney \$1.84. By Rev. A. Reinke: Chicago congregation \$67.21; Ladies' Aid Society \$6.25. By Rev. J. Salvner: Minneapolis \$21.62; St. Paul \$9.30 (N. N. \$2.46); La Crosse \$1.94; Winona \$2.50; Stillwater \$2.26. By Rev. C. Schubkegel: St. Louis \$6.24. By Rev. T. Wangerin: Milwaukee congregation \$33.06; Sheboygan \$2.05; Oshkosh \$1.67; Racine \$3.10.—“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured unto you again.” Luke 6, 38.

**Minneapolis Mission.**

REV. J. SALVNER, PASTOR.

On Good Friday evening services were held at Minneapolis to commemorate the death of our dear Lord and Master. The sermon was based upon Matthew 27, 45-54, the theme being, “Christ on the Cross.” Miss Hauberg signed the hymn, “O Bleeding Head and Wounded.” There was a good attendance, the best we ever had on a Good Friday. Twenty-nine deaf attended, among them being a communicant of our St. Paul Mission and Mr. Partridge of Winnipeg, Canada.—

On Easter-Sunday we again assembled in the Y. M. C. A. to rejoice with our risen Savior. For his text the pastor chose the Easter-narrative, as recorded in St. Matthew.

Mrs. H. Bruns and Mrs. J. S. Bowen signed hymns suited to the occasion. Fifty-one deaf were in attendance of whom thirteen partook of the Lord's Supper. The Easter-collection amounted to \$5.09.—Would to God, that such a large number of deaf would attend every Sunday to worship our crucified and risen Lord. The average attendance during the first quarter of this year was 25. God grant that the attendance of our services at Minneapolis continue to grow and increase to the glory of our victorious Savior's name.—

In the afternoon Easter-services were held at St. Paul. On his arrival the pastor found a beautiful plant on the table with Easter-greetings from the little but earnest flock of our Capitol City. Many thanks! Thirteen deaf attended, to seven of whom the Lord's Supper was administered. Miss Gloeser rendered in signs an Easter-hymn. In this service \$2.25 were collected. We certainly ought to render thanks unto God for the blessing which He has bestowed upon us at St. Paul. We well remember the time when we preached to two, three, or four deaf and often felt discouraged, but by the grace of God His Word has not returned void also among the deaf of St. Paul, so that we now have seven communicants in this city and we expect one or two more within the near future. May the risen Savior abide also among this little band of His disciples with His grace and Holy Spirit.—

On Tuesday, April 13, Easter-services were conducted at Winona. In this city, the Holy Supper was administered to three deaf. The collection amounted to 65c. On the following day, an Easter-service was delivered to the deaf at La Crosse. In spite of the disagreeable weather twelve deaf attended the services. In this service \$1.80 were collected.

May our Heavenly Father bless the seed of His Holy Word which has been sowed into the hearts of so many deaf during the glorious Easter-tide and let it bear fruit unto eternal life.

“Abide with richest blessings  
Among us, bounteous Lord;  
Let us in grace and wisdom  
Grow daily through Thy Word.”

**Toledo Mission.**

REV. A. BOLL, PASTOR.

On Sunday, March 21, Richard Crittenden was received into the Church of God and made an heir of salvation through baptism. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." Ps. 103, 2.—

Mr. J. Berry, of Detroit, is rejoicing and thanking the Lord that his wife has recuperated after a long and serious illness.—

On April 8th the rite of baptism was administered to the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bohnert of Cleveland. She was baptized Florence Mildred. "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Mark 10, 14. Mr. and Mrs. Bohnert have both expressed the wish to become members of the Lutheran Church. A class for instructions will be organized as soon as regular Sunday services can be held at Cleveland.—

At Lima, O., Holy Communion was celebrated for the first time with two deaf.—

The members of our Toledo Mission recently gave their pastor a most agreeable surprise. Having been hurriedly called to the home of Mr. Russow, supposedly to make a sick visit, Pastor Boll was dumbfounded to find a large gathering of deaf, who presented him with a gold knobbed umbrella bearing his initials. After the presentation refreshments were served and the evening was enjoyed by all.—

Mr. B. Richards of Huntington, Ind., spent two weeks of recreation at his son's home in Pittsburg. He was impressed with the fact that the Smoky City is studded with Lutheran churches.

**Milwaukee Mission.**

REV. T. WANGERIN, PASTOR.

The attendance at the Milwaukee services shows a marked improvement since the first of the year. Most of the members come to church as regularly as Sunday comes once a week. Regularly attending church services is a duty as easily performed as going about your daily occupation. "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly." For "blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it."—

Emmanuel Congregation has unanimously

granted its pastor a vacation comprising three Sundays, which will be spent in May in St. Louis at the home of his parents.—

Baptized: Clara Alice Olga, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Fick, at the home of the parents.

**Kansas City, Mo., Mission.**

REV. N. JENSEN, PASTOR.

In the third chapter of his first epistle to Timothy, St. Paul speaks of the qualifications of a true minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Among many other things which are required of a true minister we find also this, that "a bishop (minister) must be apt to teach," v. 2. This is one of the chief qualifications. He must "be apt to teach," he must be able to communicate to others the knowledge which sinful man must necessarily know in order to be saved. Whosoever aspires to the office of a minister must be well prepared to do all things this holy office demands of him. If a minister "must be apt to teach" then it is absolutely necessary that the man assuming this office must himself be well instructed in the things of the kingdom of heaven. How can he teach others if he himself has never been taught and never has learned the things he is to impart unto others? Bearing in mind the words of the apostle that "a bishop must be apt to teach" we are surprised to see men entering the ranks of the ministry and "preaching" (!) to the deaf with little or no preparation for this important work, without any theological training. To prattle a number of things, to tell a few stories, to read a chapter from the Bible, is not what the apostle means by stating that "a bishop must be apt to teach." Something else is required, something which is not picked up in few days, something which is acquired only by a long course of intelligent instructions and conscientious study on the part of the student. We hope to say a few more things about this in some future issue. Let us now reflect on what has been said.

**St. Louis Mission.**

REV. C. SCHUBKEGEL, PASTOR.

Our deaf friends who attended the Lutheran services here on March 28th and April 11th were well pleased with the new place of worship

on cor. Jefferson Ave. and Armand Pl. For the last ten years our missionaries here held services for the deaf in the church on cor. Benton and 21st Sts., and as the members of this church during all these years never charged us anything for the use of their Sunday-school hall, thus also the members of the church on Jefferson Ave. have decided to let us use their church any Sunday afternoon free of charge. In connection herewith we wish to state that we are very glad whenever any of our deaf friends declare their willingness to be instructed in the chief parts of the Christian religion, because that enables us to comply with the command given us by Christ: "TEACH them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Again, by means of such instruction our deaf become able to examine themselves, and as such are entitled to partake of the Lord's Supper, which Christ, our Lord, instituted for the strengthening of our faith in the forgiveness of our sins. We are glad to say that at present six of our deaf friends here are receiving such instruction. But we regret that the attendance at our services for the deaf is not as it should and could be, and while we thank the Lord that so many are willing to take a course of instruction, we also pray to Him and ask our readers to join us in this prayer, that He may graciously induce many of our deaf friends to come regularly to our services and to hear what God has commissioned us to tell them.

#### Chicago Mission.

REV. A. REINKE, PASTOR.

Five catechumens were instructed and prepared for confirmation since last September. After their examination in the presence of our congregation on March 28th, they were confirmed on April 4th. On Easter Sunday they partook of Communion for the first time. Their names are: Henry Kraft, Otto Lorenz, Clara Wagner, Anna Andersen, Bessie Martin. May they remain faithful to Christ, their Master, and experience that godliness is profitable unto all things.—

After the Easter Services held in our church and attended by over 60 deaf, 37 of which went to the Lord's Table, the twin girls of Mr. Chas. Berner and wife, were baptized. Both the babies are girls and were given the names of Eula Myrtle and Irma Lillian.

#### SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

##### CHICAGO, ILL.

Congregation of Our Savior, Crystal St., near North Hoyne Ave., Northwest Side. Services every Sunday, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. Arth. Reinke, 145 Crystal St., Chicago, Ill.

##### ST. LOUIS, MO.

Lutheran Emman's Church, cor. Jefferson Ave and Armand Pl. Services every second and fourth Sunday of the month, by Rev. C. Schubkegel, 4165 A Pleasant St., St. Louis, Mo.

##### TOLEDO, O.

Trinity Lutheran Mission for the Deaf. Services in church, corner Vance and Ewing Sts., the first Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll, c. o. Carlton, Toledo, O.

##### FINDLAY, O.

Services in the homes of the deaf by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

##### LIMA, O.

Services the second Sunday of the month in the church, corner Kibby and Jackson Sts., at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

##### CLEVELAND, O.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

##### FORT WAYNE, IND.

St. John's Lutheran Congregation for the Deaf. Services the second Sunday of the month in St. Paul's Chapel, corner Barr and Madison Sts., at 7 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

##### INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Services the fourth Sunday of the month, at 8 P. M., in the church, corner Ohio and North East Sts., by Rev. A. Boll.

##### PERU, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

##### LOUISVILLE, KY.

Congregation of Our Savior for the Deaf. Services the fourth Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., in the church, E. Broadway and Underhill Sts., by Rev. A. Boll.

##### DETROIT, MICH.

Services for the deaf the third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., in the church, corner Gratiot and Rivard Sts., by Rev. A. Boll.

##### MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Y. M. C. A. Building. Services every Sunday, at 11 A. M., by Rev. J. Salvner, 2115 9th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

##### ST. PAUL, MINN.

Trinity Lutheran Church, corner Wabasha and Tilton Sts. Services every Sunday, excepting the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

##### STILLWATER, MINN.

Salem Lutheran Church, corner 4th and Oak Sts. Services the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

##### WINONA, MINN.

Services on the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of every month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8:15 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

##### LA CROSSE, WIS.

Services every third Wednesday of the month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

##### ELKHART, IND.

Trinity Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus, 119 Clinton St., Hammond, Ind.

##### SOUTH BEND, IND.

St. Paul's Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus.

##### KANSAS CITY, MO.

Services at Lutheran Church, 16th and Cherry Sts., every first and third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen, 1400 Tracy Ave.

##### OMAHA, NEBR.

Services at Lutheran Church, corner 28th and Parker Sts., every last Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

##### MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Emmanuel Chapel for the Deaf, 1711 Meinecke Ave. Divine services every Sunday, at 10 A. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin, 1711 Meinecke Ave.

##### RACINE, WIS.

Services every last Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., corner Kewaunee and North Erie Sts., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

##### SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

Services every four weeks at the homes of the deaf, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

##### OSHKOSH, WIS.

Services every four weeks, 226 Bowen St., at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

##### NEENAH, WIS.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. T. Wangerin

#### LUTHERAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, NORTH DETROIT, MICH.

The object of this school is to give its pupils a thorough Christian and common education. The regular course of instruction occupies from 7 to 8 years. Children are admitted from the age of 8 years on. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from, Rev. Wm. Gielow, Supt., North Detroit, Mich.