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Great Jehovah we adore Thee,
God the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, joined in glory
On the same eternal throne;
 Endless praises
To Jehovah, Three in One.

The best name by which we may think of God is Father. It is a loving, deep, sweet, heart-touching name; for the name "Father" is, in its nature, full of inbred sweetness and comfort.—Luther.

Be of good cheer; Thy sins be forgiven thee.
Matth. 9, 2.

Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1, 29.

God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned. John 3, 17-18.

The Christian's Path.

The Christian's path is not always a flowery path. It is often thorny. He is a pilgrim in a strange country, and in his journey through life he must pass through many tribulations. He is on his way to the crown; that way, however, is the way of the cross. But no matter how thorny the path, the Christian may be of good cheer. It is the path which God has chosen for him, and on which God Himself leads him. The path which our Heavenly Father marks out for each of His children is surely the right one and the best one.

"He chose this path for thee,
No feeble chance, nor hard, relentless fate,
But love, His love, has placed thy footsteps here;
He knew the way was rough and desolate,
He knew the heart would often sink with fear;
Yet tenderly He whispers, 'Child, I see
This path is best for thee!"

Where Shall I Spend Eternity?

At a time when the flowers were in their highest glory, a lady had written on a card, which lay on the top of an hourglass in her garden house, the following simple verse:

"To think of summers yet to come
That I am not to see!
To think a weed is yet to bloom
From dust that I shall be!"

The next morning she found on the back of the same card the following lines, which all would do well to ponder:

"To think when earth has passed away
And seasons all are o'er;
To think of the last judgment day,
When time shall be no more!
Oh, where will then my portion be?—
Where shall I spend ETERNITY?"

AMONG OUR DEAF.

St. Louis Mission.

REV. C. SCHUBKEGEL, PASTOR.

Sunday, June 13th, was a day of great rejoicing for the friends of our Lutheran Mission for the Deaf in this city, because on the evening of that day two deaf gentlemen, Mr. John H. May and Mr. Edw. Luchow of East St. Louis, Ill., both of whom had been instructed in the chief parts of the Christian doctrine, were examined and confirmed in Emmaus Lutheran

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Church in the presence of a large number of both deaf and hearing people. The service was conducted both in the sign-language and orally, Mr. Paul Uhlig of Concordia Seminary acting as interpreter. After the opening hymn, "My God, accept my heart this day," sung by the congregation and rendered in signs by Mr. P. Uhlig, your missionary examined the two catechumens in the chief parts of the Christian doctrine, and their answers plainly showed to all present, that well they understood the faith they confessed as well as the promise they made that evening, and that, pursuant to the injunction of St. Paul 1. Cor. 11, 28-29, they are able to examine themselves. Following this the hymn "Holy Spirit, Lord of Love," was sung by a quartette of students of Concordia Seminary, and beautifully rendered in signs by Mrs. Anna Kugelmann. Then the missionary, after explaining that confirmation, although not of divine institution, like Baptism, was still very important, because in it we renew and confirm the promise made in holy Baptism, in a short address, based on Rom. 1, 16, earnestly besought the catechumens never to become ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, but to abide with it and to confess it unto the end, showing them that the Gospel alone, being God's power unto salvation to every one that believeth, can save them from sin, death and eternal damnation and make them truly happy now and forever. This address was suitably followed by the singing and signing of the following verses:

Jesus! and shall it ever be,
A mortal man ashamed of Thee?
Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise,
Whose glories shine through endless days?

Ashamed of Jesus! yes, I may,
When I've no guilt to wash away,

No tear to wipe, no good to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

Till then, nor is my boasting vain,
Till then I boast a Savior slain!
And, O may this my glory be,
That Christ is not ashamed of me!

Following this hymn the catechumens, after a short address by the missionary, publicly made profession of their faith and promised to remain true to the Triune God unto death, whereupon the minister, after pronouncing the Benediction with the laying on of hands, declared them to be members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and invited them to participate in all its privileges, goods and blessings for their temporal and eternal salvation. Then the entire congregation united in prayer for the two new members of our church, whereupon the Rev. R. Kretschmar in a short address to the hearing people requested them to thank God by whose grace and kindness we were enabled to instruct our deaf friends in the saving knowledge of Christ, and to show their thanks by liberally supporting our mission with their gifts. Then the hymn, "Let me be Thine forever," was sung by the congregation and rendered in signs by Mrs. Anna Kugelmann. The service closed with the Benediction, spoken by the Rev. R. Kretschmar, and the singing of the doxology by the congregation. The collection taken up in this service for the benefit of our Mission for the Deaf, amounted to \$26.06. "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake."—

Two of our catechumens, Mr. H. Stahr and Miss Emily Engelhorn, will make their future home in Kansas City, Mo. While we regret their departure from St. Louis, we are glad to state that they both intend to continue their study of God's Word with the Rev. N. F. Jensen in Kansas City, Mo.

Minneapolis Mission.

REV. J. SALVNER, PASTOR.

Sunday, June 7th, was another day of rejoicing for our Minneapolis Mission, for on that day three more deaf vowed faithfulness

unto their Savior. Forty-two deaf were present for this occasion. The names of the confirmed are: Minnie Hawberg, Ida Hoff, and Helma Wadell. Before confirmation they correctly answered all questions concerning the way of salvation which were put to them by their pastor. After the examination the pastor spoke on Rev. 2, 10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life," showing them, why this admonition is so very necessary, and then how blessed are all who are faithful unto death. They then renewed and confirmed their baptismal vow, and after having sealed their promise with the giving of their hand, they kneeling received God's blessing. Thereupon they beautifully rendered in signs the hymn:

"Thine forever! God of love,
Hear us from Thy throne above;
Thine forever may we be
Here and in eternity." etc.

May God help them to continue in the Word of Christ which they have learned! May the Heavenly Father give them His Holy Spirit so that they increase in the wisdom and knowledge of God! And, finally, may they remain faithful unto their Savior unto death, so that also they may join the heavenly choir and sing eternal praises to the Triune God!

In September, a new class will be organized. Deaf friend, if you have not yet studied the truth, as God's Word teaches it, we urge you to join this class. Our dear Savior by the Holy Spirit persuade you to do this unto the glory of His most Holy Name!

Kansas City Mo., Mission.

REV. N. F. JENSEN, PASTOR.

Kansas City: Mr. Hans Stahr who recently came to Kansas City from St. Louis is taking instructions in the catechism and preparing for confirmation. Mr. Stahr was a member of Rev. Schubkegel's Bible Class in St. Louis.—

Omaha, Neb.: Mr. George Ernst whose home is near Benson, Neb., and who for three years has been living on his homestead in S. Dak., is back with his home folks again. He has attended services several times and last month declared his willingness to be instructed in the

catechism and prepare himself for confirmation and membership in our church. Thus our little band of deaf Lutherans in Omaha is growing slowly but surely. By giving our people a thorough course of instruction they do not only become Lutherans by name, but Lutherans in spirit and in truth.—Since the first of the last quarter our Omaha friends have raised the amount of the monthly contributions, their effort being to raise enough money to pay the pastor's railroad fare.

Milwaukee Mission.

REV. T. WANGERIN, PASTOR.

The annual picnic of Emmanuel Congregation will be held at Neumueller's Park on July 18th, afternoon and evening. The committee in charge is making extensive preparations and an enjoyable time is promised to deaf and hearing alike. For the benefit of the hearing visitors also a band of musicians has been engaged and contests and games have been arranged for.—

The Ladies' Society of our congregation recently voted \$10.00 to the building fund of our synod and \$5.00 to a new church-record in which all the official transactions within the congregation are to be entered.—

A cement sidewalk has been laid around Emmanuel Chapel to the parsonage, improving the appearance of the property considerably.—

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Gierloff procured their release from our congregation last month and have gone to Holdrege, Nebr., where they are following the occupation of farming.—

Baptized: Edwin Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Nelson, at their new Milwaukee home. Mrs. Nelson was formerly Miss Busby and after her marriage had moved north on a farm. She has been confirmed by Pastor Wangerin in 1903.

Toledo Mission.

REV. A. BOLL, PASTOR.

Before a large congregation of deaf and hearing Mr. E. Biggam was confirmed at the

Toledo Mission on Sunday evening, May 2nd. The examination previous to the act of confirmation pointed out the way of salvation, and the necessity of making diligent use of of the means of grace. The pastor's address was based upon the words of our Lord, spoken to His disciples in Gethsemane: "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." The temptations of our enemies are many and great. To overcome them it is necessary that we arm ourselves with the Word of God and seek aid in prayer. Several ladies rendered in signs the hymn: "Let me be Thine forever, Thou faithful Lord and God." The offering of this service went into a special fund.

LET'S SEE!

$7 \times 24 = 168$. — That represents the number of hours you live each week. And do you mean to say, you cannot arrange your work during all those 168 hours in such a way as to leave one definite hour for worship — praise, thanksgiving and prayer on Sunday? — that those hours are so precious that your Maker cannot have your regular attention for one hour out of the 168? — that the needs of your miserable body are so great and numerous that your Redeemer must content Himself with revealing to you the riches of His love, His mercy, His pardon, with that occasional hour you come to church, say once a month, — one hour in 672? Do you despise the riches of His goodness?

A CHILD'S PRAYER.

A touching but true story of a little girl who was to undergo an operation: The physician said to her as he was about to place her on the operating table: „Before we can make you well we must put you to sleep." The little girl looked up and, smiling, said: „Oh, if you are going to put me to sleep, I must first say my prayers." Then she knelt down beside the table and said:

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to keep,
If I should die before I wake,
I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to take.

The physician turned about to wipe his tears.

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 Emmaus 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.