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*Ephphatha, that is,
Be opened.*

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John L. Salvner, D. D.



Dr. John L. Salvner

Minneapolis, Minn. Funeral services for Dr. John L. Salvner were held on Nov. 21, 1960, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. Rev. Ernst H. Stahlke, President of the Minnesota District and pastor of Immanuel Church, read the rites while the undersigned interpreted for the many Deaf present.

Rev. William Buege, pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, and former chairman of the Board for Missions to the Deaf, preached the sermon while Rev. William Reinking, Executive Secretary of the Board, interpreted. Pastor Buege based his sermon on portions of Psalm 103, a psalm Dr. Salvner had asked to be read to him on his deathbed. The choir of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf signed the hymn "Just as I Am," while Rev. Ernest R. Drews, present chairman of the Board for

Missions to the Deaf, sang for the hearing audience.

Dr. Salvner was born in Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 16, 1876. After attending Lutheran schools in his home town and Concordia College, Milwaukee, Wis., he entered Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. Graduated from the seminary in 1901, he began his ministry to the Deaf in the Twin Cities in the fall of that same year. Eight years later he organized Grace Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Minneapolis, and served as its pastor until 1943, when he accepted the call to become Executive Secretary of the Board for Missions to the Deaf. He retired from this position in the summer of 1958.

For his outstanding work in the Deaf Mission he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, in 1944, and the John of Beverly medal from the Lutheran Friends of the Deaf in 1959.

He was united in marriage to Anna Stelzriede of Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 7, 1903. Mrs. Salvner preceded her husband in death in 1933. One child was born of this union, Mrs. Ray Schweigert of Minneapolis.

After his retirement in 1958, Dr. Salvner continued to serve his Lord and the Deaf as his strength permitted. He taught Bible class each Sunday morning and preached about once a month. He also helped in visiting the sick and the Deaf-Blind, and on Thursdays he taught released-time classes for some of the students at the Minnesota School for the Deaf in Faribault.

On Thursday, Nov. 17, he went to Faribault as usual. After returning home he spent the evening with his

daughter and her family and then retired. During the early hours of Friday morning he suffered a stroke and was taken to North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale, where he died at 2:00 A. M. on Saturday, Nov. 19.

AUGUST L. HAUPTMAN

Meditation

Psalm 121, A Pilgrim Psalm

**1. I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From whence does my help
come?**

Big Idea: As I see the mountains of Jerusalem in the distance, especially Mount Zion, I am reminded of the Lord, my Helper.

Helping Idea: As I look at the "high places" where the altars are built to false gods, I know that they cannot help me. My help is from the Lord.

Helping Idea: As I travel on the way to Jerusalem, I see hills and mountains along the way. I think of the dangers I may meet and remember that I need the help of the Lord.

**2. My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**

Big Idea: The Lord who made heaven and earth is my Helper.

Helping Idea: Unlike the false gods, who cannot create anything, and who were themselves created by foolish men, my Helper is the Creator of heaven and earth.

Helping Idea: The help with which the Lord surrounds the believer day after day is based on the fact that there is a "with" relationship between the believer and God.

**3. He will not let your foot be
moved, He who keeps you will
not slumber.**

Big Idea: By day God will not let you stumble; by night He will not fall asleep.

Helping Idea: God is your Helper twenty-four hours a day.

**4. Behold, He who keeps Israel will
neither slumber nor sleep.**

Big Idea: God never sleeps or rests as He keeps His people Israel.

Helping Idea: Unlike a human helper, the Lord is an ever-wakeful, ever-watchful Keeper of His people.

Helping Idea: The reference to "Israel" shows that the believer is never separated from the worshiping community, the congregation of the faithful.

**5. The Lord is your Keeper; the
Lord is your Shade on your right
hand.**

Big Idea: The Lord is your Keeper and Protector.

Helping Idea: The Lord keeps you like a gardener keeps his grounds (Gen. 2:15), like a shepherd keeps his flock (Jer. 31:10), and like a steward keeps his household (2 Kings 11:6, 7).

Helping Idea: The Lord protects you like an armed escort who is always at your side to defend you from all danger.

**6. The sun shall not smite you by
day nor the moon by night.**

Big Idea: Neither the sun nor the moon will harm you.

Helping Idea: The Lord will protect you from the heat of the sun and from the chill of the night.

**7. The Lord will keep you from all
evil; He will keep your life.**

Big Idea: The Lord will preserve your life from all evil.

Helping Idea: We need the Lord as our Helper, Keeper, and Protector.

8. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Big Idea: The Lord will keep us forever as we come and go.

Helping Idea: The Lord's "keeping" means that He will keep us in faith in our Savior, Jesus, and take us to heaven forever.

Notes from the Executive

Deaf Sunday School Planned for Hong Kong

At a recent conference of our missionaries in Hong Kong it was decided to form a committee which should be responsible for the beginning of Sunday school work with deaf children in Hong Kong. The person who will be in charge of teaching is Miss Yip, a member of one of our Lutheran churches in Hong Kong, who is a teacher in a deaf school. Our hearts rejoice that soon some of the deaf children in Hong Kong will begin to learn the wonderful stories of Jesus' love for them. Pray for the committee and its teacher that the Lord will pour out His Holy Spirit upon them and bless them in their work of bringing the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ to the hearts of the deaf children.

Good News from Hawaii

Mrs. John Ramsey of Hawaii writes that the first Lutheran Sunday school for deaf children was attended by six children in the latter part of November. There was a delay in starting the Sunday school since it was learned that no religious classes could be conducted on the campus of the Diamond Head Deaf School. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of Honolulu made facilities available for this class, and weekly classes are now being held for deaf children. It is hoped that

as more parents learn about the opportunity now provided for the deaf children to learn of their Savior, the class will grow. Remember also these good people in Hawaii in your prayers that the Lord may continue to use them as His tools to bring the love of Jesus into the hearts of these deaf children.

Rearrangement of Regions

On Jan. 1, 1961, some of the regions in our mission were rearranged so that more people will have an opportunity to attend conferences and retreats. This rearrangement of regions was approved by our missionaries at Ephphatha Conference in July of 1960 and was made official by the Board at their last meeting of 1960 held on Nov. 29.

Some of the larger regions have been broken up into smaller groupings called Circuits. It is hoped that conferences will be held on a Circuit level and that more members of our deaf congregations can travel to these conferences. The reason behind the smaller groupings of Circuits is to cut down on the distance that members would have to go in order to attend a conference. Here is the new arrangement:

PACIFIC REGION (Rev. George Gaertner, Counselor)

Rocky Mountain Circuit: Montana preaching stations

Northwest Circuit: Spokane, Seattle, and Portland fields

California Circuit: San Francisco, Oakland, and Los Angeles fields

MIDWEST REGION (Counselor not yet elected)

Great Plains Circuit: Fargo, Saint Paul, Sioux Falls, and Edmonton fields

Missouri Valley Circuit: Des Moines, Omaha, Kansas City, and Denver fields

CENTRAL REGION (Counselor not yet elected)

Great Lakes Circuit: Madison, Delavan, Milwaukee, and Chicago fields

Mississippi Valley Circuit: Jacksonville, St. Louis, and Indianapolis fields

EASTERN REGION (Rev. Theo. Fred-erking, Counselor)

Detroit, Cleveland, Columbus, Pittsburgh, and Rochester fields

ATLANTIC REGION (Rev. C. Roland Gerhold, counselor)

New England, New York, Newark, and Washington, D. C., fields

SOUTHERN REGION (Rev. W. A. Westermann, Counselor)

Southeast Circuit: Greensboro and Miami fields

Mid-south Circuit: Memphis and Birmingham fields

Southwest Circuit: Texas and Oklahoma fields

Perhaps some of the old regions will want to meet as they have planned for the Regional Conference in 1961. However, conferences and retreats in 1962 should be planned according to this new arrangement of Regions and Circuits. It is hoped by our Board that many more of our members now will have an opportunity to attend the conference or retreat in their area. These meetings build up our members in greater faith and love for the Savior and give them more eagerness to work together to spread the Gospel throughout the world to the Deaf and the hearing.

On the 15th of this month is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent. During these six weeks of Lent, walk again the path that Jesus took, and see how He suffered and finally died for your sins. Prepare your heart to rejoice at Eastertime to see that Jesus lives and so you, too, by faith in Him will live eternally in heaven. May this Lenten season be blessed for you by the heavenly Father, who gave His own Son to be the Savior of the world.
W. F. REINKING

Deaf Mission Program

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod serves:

The Manual Deaf: Your pastors preach and teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the sign language.

The Oral Deaf: Many of your pastors preach and teach by speech and lip reading where this type of instruction is required.

The Hard-of-Hearing: Where your pastors speak and sign simultaneously the hard-of-hearing often have greater ease in understanding.

The Deaf-Blind: Your pastors serve those who have this double handicap by manually spelling the message of salvation into their hands.



Editorials

Honesty and Courage

From watching television programs one would get the impression that it takes a great deal of courage to commit a crime. To plan and execute a skillful bank robbery — to make an unlawful entry, open the vault, remove the cash and securities, and escape without detection — that must take real nerve. At any moment someone might surprise the robber in the act of his crime. Even after he has made a safe escape, he may still be found out. It must take courage to face the future under such circumstances.

Perhaps it does require courage of a type to commit a crime such as one can watch almost any evening on television. Risk might be a better word, and whatever courage the criminal may have is badly colored by the fact that he is injuring the life or the property of other people. In the case of the bank robber, for example, he is mustering all his “courage” to rob people’s savings.

In the final analysis it takes more courage to be honest. An honest person must be honest all the time. You can’t steal only occasionally and still be honest. To be honest, you must resist the temptation to take what isn’t yours each time the temptation comes. You must resist the temptation regardless of what form it may take. When you are given more change than you should have received, when you fill out your income tax form, when you

pay your bills, when you repay a loan — almost every day of your life you have the opportunity to behave honestly and resist the temptation to be dishonest.

You probably won’t get a medal for being honest. In fact, many people will think you are foolish for calling the clerk’s attention to the fact that you have been undercharged. Most people may never know that you are consistently honest. Many people will not care as long as you are honest with them. Perhaps you will be the only person on earth who knows that you are waging a constant war against the temptation to “wise up and take your share like everyone else.”

The fact is, not everyone else does. There are other people like you who make it a point to be honest. They are Christian people who know that stealing is a sin whether it is done at a bank or in a grocery store. They are Christian people who know that Christ has saved them from the kind of sinful life which leaves everyone to look out for himself. They know that their conduct may influence someone for (or against) their Savior. They know that also the world judges people by their fruits and that dishonesty and a Christian faith just don’t belong together.

History claims that there once lived a Greek philosopher named Diogenes who spent his life looking for an honest man. Since he is sup-

posed to have spent his life looking, history seems to be saying that he couldn't find one. If Diogenes lived in America today, he might spend a long time looking, too. But I believe he would find honest men. Perhaps he would never find a man who could stand up and say, "I have never been dishonest." But I believe he could find men who would be honest enough to admit that they had been dishonest, but that they

were really trying hard, with God's help, to live honestly, as the Bible teaches us to live.

But it takes courage. It takes the kind of courage that can face failures as well as success. It takes the kind of courage that one finds best on his knees in prayer. May God give us this kind of courage, real steadfast courage, to meet temptations one by one and by His grace remain faithful.

Pre - Lent

The calendar year is divided into four seasons: spring, summer, autumn, and winter. Besides these longer periods of time there are special days which are observed as legal holidays. In the United States there are seven holidays which will be observed in all states in 1961: New Year's Day (Jan. 1), Washington's Birthday (Feb. 22), Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (Sept. 4), Veterans Day (Nov. 11), Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 23), Christmas Day (Dec. 25).

The church year is also divided into seasons, and it also designates special days as holy days for its members. Like the calendar year, it runs 365 days except in a leap year. But it begins, not on Jan. 1, but on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, the First Sunday in Advent. Advent, about four weeks long, is the first "season" of the church year. Christmas, Dec. 25, is the first major holy day in the church year. After Christmas there are other Holy Days and one more season: Epiphany.

The season of Epiphany follows the Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord on Jan. 6. There may be as many as six Sundays after Epiphany. This year there are only three be-

cause Easter is earlier than usual this year. The last Sunday after Epiphany is celebrated by the Lutheran Church as the Festival of Transfiguration, Jan. 22. That brings us to the period in the church year which is the title of this article, "Pre-Lent."

Pre-Lent is always two and one-half weeks long. It begins the third Sunday before Ash Wednesday. With Ash Wednesday Pre-Lent ends and Lent begins. "Pre" means "before," so the season of Pre-Lent is the two and one half weeks "before Lent."

If the name of the season is easy to remember, the names of the three Sundays may not be. The three Sundays of Pre-Lent in order, are Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima.

They may be hard to remember because they are so long. But they are really easy to explain. Septuagesima is the Latin word (feminine gender) for "seventieth." It is called that because it is approximately the seventieth day before Easter. Sexagesima, then, is approximately the "sixtieth" day before Easter, and Quinquagesima is approximately the "fiftieth" day before Easter.

Each Sunday and holy day in the

church year, besides having its own special name, also has its own special theme to add to the worship service on that day. Just as people would not eat turkey on the Fourth of July or pop firecrackers on Thanksgiving Day, so also the church at Easter would not want to read portions of the Bible dealing with Jesus' birth or at Christmas portions dealing with His death and resurrection. And during Pre-Lent the church is preparing her people for Lent.

During the morning worship service, or Holy Communion, there are several parts of the service (called "Propers") which change every Sunday. They are the Introit, the Gradual, the Epistle, the Gospel, the Collect for the Day, and, with Communion, the Proper Preface. In one sense the hymns and the sermon may also be considered "Propers" because they change each Sunday.

You may find the Propers for the church year on pages 54 to 94 of *The Lutheran Hymnal*. Those for Pre-Lent are found on page 60 at the bottom to the top of page 62. The Introit and the Gradual are written out. The Scripture references for the Epistle and Gospel are given by book, chapter, and verses. The Proper Prefaces for the service of Holy Communion are on page 25. A fine way to prepare yourself for the Sunday morning worship service is to sit down Saturday night and read the Propers for the following day. When your pastor signs the Epistle and Gospel, you will understand it much more clearly because you will have read it to yourself the night before.

On the evening before Septuagesima you will be reading the parable

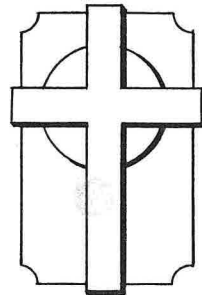
of the Laborers in the Vineyard. The following week you will read the parable of the Sower. And the evening before Quinquagesima you will begin to travel with Jesus on his last trip to Jerusalem, where He will suffer and die.

The Introits are an interweaving of two strong themes: a fervent plea for God's help ("The sorrows of death compassed [surrounded] me." — "Our soul is bowed down to the dust") and a strong trust in God as Savior ("He heard my voice." — "Thou art my Rock and my Fortress").

The Graduals speak of God as the Refuge for the oppressed, a Refuge in times of trouble, the Most High over all the earth, the God who does wonders.

The Epistles speak of self-control and of the danger of false assurance (1 Cor. 9:24 to 10:5), of the rigors of Paul's ministry (2 Cor. 11:19 to 12:9), and of the greatness of Christian love (1 Cor. 13:1-13).

These, then, are the thoughts to which the church would direct us as we prepare for Lent. Let us give each of these precious thoughts our devout attention, seriously consider the lesson which God would want to give especially to us, worshiping Him with our whole heart during this and every season of the church year.





Field Gleanings



L. to r.: Jerry Siders, Carole Wood, Dennis Smith

Gamma Delta Christmas Program at Gallaudet

Washington, D. C. Kappa Epsilon, Gallaudet Chapter of Gamma Delta, Lutheran Student Organization, held a Christmas program on Dec. 11 for Lutheran students on the campus.

Rev. H. W. Hoemann, campus pastor, spoke the invocation and benediction. The rest of the service was conducted by students of Gallaudet College.

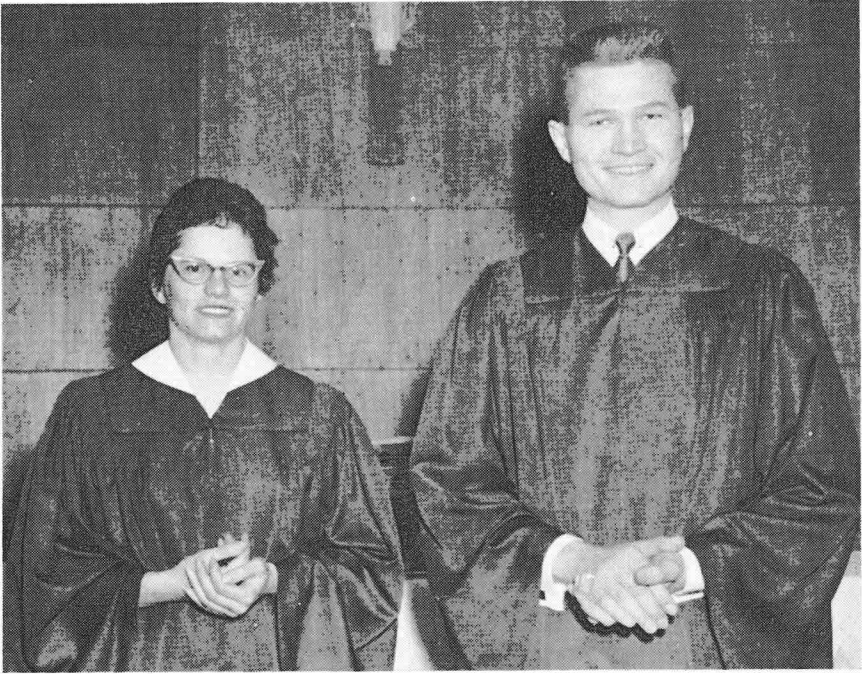
Miss Estelle Provow of Detroit, Mich., chapter president, introduced the choral groups and the persons who took part in the presentation.

Four Christmas carols were signed by members of the special choir which was organized for the service. "Let Us All with Gladsome Voice," "Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful," "Joy to the World," and "Silent Night"

were the carols selected. Jerry Siders of Webster City, Iowa; Dennis Smith of Naples, S. Dak.; Carole Wood of Detroit, Mich.; James Alby of Milwaukee, Wis.; and Estelle Provow of Detroit took part in the signing of the carols.

Scripture selections relating to the birth of Jesus Christ from the Gospel according to St. Luke were read by Bruce Becker of Pleasant Dale, Nebr.; Leore Kanning of Shelby, Mont.; Barry Kenney of Minneapolis, Minn.; and James Alby of Milwaukee, Wis.

The service was held in the school chapel adjoining the Student Union Building. After the service refreshments were served to the members of Gamma Delta by the arrangements committee.



Estelle Provow and James Alby

Twenty-fifth Anniversary

Memphis, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on Nov. 27. A reception for the couple was held at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Wayne Bottlinger.

New Members in Memphis Field

Memphis, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. George Dean and Miss Beulah Ellis were received as new members of Grace Lutheran Church in Memphis on Dec. 4. Mr. Dean was baptized, and Mrs. Dean and Miss Ellis were confirmed.

Herbert Buchanan became a member of the Lutheran group at First Lutheran Church in Nashville, Tenn., on Dec. 4 by the rite of confirmation.

Benjamin Hill and Miss Joyce

Rutledge became members of the Lutheran Church by the rite of confirmation on Dec. 5 in Nashville. Mr. Hill and Miss Rutledge join the group which worships at the home of Mrs. Mary Rutledge.

Lutheran School for the Deaf Receives Zenith Scholarship Award

Detroit, Mich. The Lutheran School for the Deaf in Detroit was selected recently by the American Hearing Society as one of the schools eligible to participate in the "Zenith Gift of Hearing Scholarship Contest," now being conducted in the United States and Canada. The school was chosen because of its wide experience in the educational development of preschool deaf children and its qualified staff and faculty.



Scholarship award presented to the Lutheran School for the Deaf, Detroit. Left to right: Rev. G. M. Krach, chairman of the Board of Education, Dr. J. A. Klein, executive director, Mr. F. J. Blanchard, representative of Zenith Radio Corporation, and Rev. H. R. Wacker, president of the Board of Management

The contest offers weekly grants of \$500 tuition scholarships to deserving preschool children. The winners receive a personal award and are privileged to designate one of the eligible schools as recipient of the Scholarship Award.

An early first-place winner in the international contest was Mr. George Meier of Milwaukee, Wis., a friend and supporter of the Lutheran School for the Deaf, who designated the scholarship for the Detroit school. On Oct. 25 Mr. F. J. Blanchard, a representative of the Zenith Corporation, arrived from Chicago and presented an attractive certificate of award and a check for \$500 to Dr. J. A. Klein, executive director of the school. Rev. H. R. Wacker,

president of the Board of Management, and Rev. G. M. Krach, chairman of the Board of Education, were present for the ceremony.

The American Hearing Society, the Zenith Radio Corporation, and Mr. George Meier have won a warm and lasting spot in the grateful hearts of the more than 100 children enrolled at the Detroit school, Dr. Klein reports.

“Ben Hur” Interpreted for St. Louis Deaf

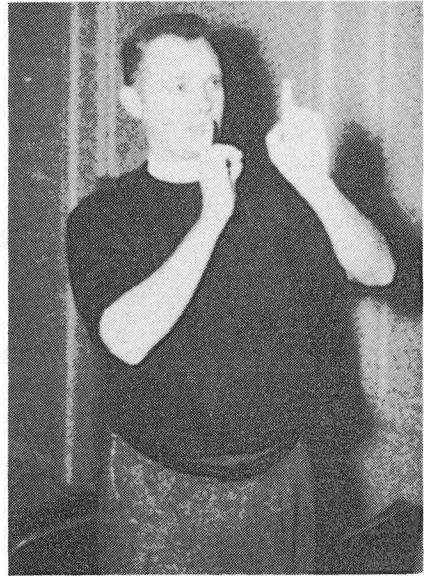
St. Louis, Mo. *Ben Hur*, epic motion picture by Metro Goldwyn Mayer based on the book by Lew Wallace, was interpreted for the St. Louis Deaf on Nov. 7 at Loew’s Mid-City Theater. Pastor George

Kraus of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf and Rev. William F. Reinking, also of St. Louis, interpreted the sound track simultaneously from two sides of the balcony, a section of which had been reserved for the Deaf. Approximately 140 Deaf persons attended the showing of the film.

Pastors Kraus and Reinking used a special type of fluorescent paint on their hands, arms, and lips which became visible under ultraviolet light. The Deaf reported that they could see the signs very clearly in the darkened theater.

The *Globe Democrat* "Sunday Magazine" of Dec. 4, 1960, carried a two-page feature article of the project with pictures illustrating the technique.

Pastor Kraus has announced his intention of arranging for more performances to be presented to the Deaf for other motion pictures in the future.



Pastor George Kraus interprets "Ben Hur" for a deaf audience at Loew's Mid-City in St. Louis

Films Available

Detroit, Mich. Two films, "The World of Silence" and a new film titled "The Deaf Shall Speak," are



Pastor William F. Reinking, Miss Dorothy Dressel, and Pastor George Kraus check scenes from "Ben Hur" before the curtain rises. Miss Dressel is public relations director for MGM's "Ben Hur" in the St. Louis area

available rent free from the Lutheran School for the Deaf, Detroit, Mich. The films were produced by the school to portray its work of Christian education for Deaf children.

School Chapel to Receive Stained-Glass Windows

Detroit, Mich. Dr. J. A. Klein, executive director of the Lutheran School for the Deaf, Detroit, has announced that there are donors for all fifteen chapel windows in the school. Five windows are gifts of anonymous donors. These will be dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Knudsen, the donors of the chapel, and in appreciation of valuable services rendered by Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Bernthal, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nielsen, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nielsen.

The other windows are gifts of the following: Mr. and Mrs. Werner Knack, in memory of their parents; Mr. Walter Maul for her husband, who was the architect of the buildings; Mrs. John Pankow for her sainted mother, Mrs. William Bue-low, who during her lifetime rendered the school valuable services; Mrs. Carl Witt and the Detroit Fire Department for Carl Witt who, as a loyal and devoted friend of the school, rendered much volunteer service; Mr. and Mrs. William Hofman and relatives and friends of Indianola, Nebr., in loving memory of Dean Hofman, a former pupil and graduate of the school whom the Lord called to his eternal reward at the early age of twenty-three.

One window is the gift of the Detroit Chapter of The Ladies' Auxiliary for the Deaf, in memory of sainted members; another is an an-

niversary offering by the Ephphatha Chapter of the Ladies' Auxiliary for the Deaf; and two are the gifts of The Ladies' Auxiliary of Michigan, to be dedicated to the sainted members of that organization.

Official Acts in the Detroit Field

Baptisms

Lisa Mae Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Carter, was baptized in Gloria Dei Chapel in Detroit on Aug. 14. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Holmes were sponsors.

Richard Howard Beaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Beaver, was baptized in Immanuel Lutheran Church in Dearborn, Mich., on Nov. 20. Richard Magers and Mrs. Paul Stemplowsky were sponsors.

Richard Randall Lukas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lukas, was baptized in Gloria Dei Chapel in Detroit on Nov. 27. Carl Groth and Miss Janice Logan were sponsors.

Weddings

Samuel Kimmel and Miss Dawne Wood were united in marriage at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Flint, Mich., on June 18. Miss Catherine Adams was maid of honor, and Arthur Hackert was best man.

James Harvey of Lansing, Mich., and Miss Charlotte Johnson of Detroit were married in Gloria Dei Chapel in Detroit on June 18. Maid of honor was Miss Dolores Van Halle, and best man was Edward Harvey.

Garry Vance and Miss Lorna Schankin were married in Gloria Dei Chapel, Detroit, on July 23. Raymond Vance was best man, and Miss Marcie Calles was maid of honor.

Carl Anderson and Miss Judy Ann

Virkstis were united in marriage on Sept. 10 in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Dearborn, Mich. Miss Carole Hardenburg was maid of honor, and Charles Lindstrom was best man.

Funerals

Rudolph Huhn departed this life Sept. 28. Funeral services were conducted Oct. 1 by Pastor N. Borchardt.

Mrs. Lydia Kuehn, wife of Leo Kuehn, departed this life Nov. 15. Funeral services were conducted Nov. 19 at the Gloria Dei Chapel in Detroit, Pastor N. Borchardt officiating.

Deaf Mission Society

Washington, D. C. Pastor H. Hoemann, member of the committee appointed by Ephphatha Conference to prepare a constitution for the Deaf Mission Society, reports marked progress in the formulation of a plan which would involve members of Deaf congregations throughout the United States in the workings of the Society.

Pastor Hoemann contemplates the election or appointment of an adviser to the Deaf Mission Society from each Region. The adviser should be a Deaf layman who is a member of a Lutheran Church of the Deaf in his region.

The appointment or election of an adviser from each Region would result in a Council of Advisers who would serve for a term of three years. Each adviser would receive regular reports from the Executive Secretary of the Board for Missions to the Deaf on the work of the society and its future possibilities. Each adviser would have the opportunity of commenting on the reports and making suggestions to the

Board for Missions to the Deaf, which would serve the Deaf Mission Society in an executive capacity. The adviser, then, would be responsible to his Region to faithfully represent its interests in the Deaf Mission Society, making a full report at the regional conference, convention, or retreat each year.

If each congregation were to elect also a Deaf Mission Society contact, this person could receive reports from the regional adviser, making possible a complete line of communication from each congregation to the Board and back again.

The DEAF LUTHERAN would serve as the official organ of the Society with space devoted regularly to the Society's activities.

You are invited to express your opinion with regard to this proposal. Address all comments regarding the constitution of the Deaf Mission Society to Pastor Hoemann at 1728 Varnum St. N. W., Washington 11, D. C.

Sunday School Lip-reading Class

Milwaukee, Wis. A Sunday School lip-reading class for oral Deaf children is being conducted at Bethany Church, N. 38th and W. Lloyd Sts., at 9:15 A. M. each Sunday. The program is sponsored by the Milwaukee Federation of Lutheran Churches—Missouri Synod in co-operation with the Department of Education of the South Wisconsin District. Frederick Matzke is the federation's director of special education.

Behold, God is my Salvation; I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord Jehovah is my Strength and my Song; He also is become my Salvation. Isaiah 12:2.



Devotions

"Light for Your Way"

Daily Bible Readings for January

Jan. 1 — Ruth 1: 1-14	Jan. 15 — Proverbs 4: 20-27
Jan. 2 — Ruth 1: 15-22	Jan. 16 — Proverbs 5: 1-14
Jan. 3 — Ruth 2: 1-16	Jan. 17 — Proverbs 5: 15-23
Jan. 4 — Ruth 2: 17-23	Jan. 18 — Proverbs 6: 1-19
Jan. 5 — Ruth 3: 1-18	Jan. 19 — Proverbs 8: 1-21
Jan. 6 — Ruth 4: 1-12	Jan. 20 — Proverbs 8: 22-36
Jan. 7 — Ruth 4: 13-22	Jan. 21 — Proverbs 9: 1-12
Jan. 8 — Proverbs 1: 1-19	Jan. 22 — Proverbs 11: 1-12
Jan. 9 — Proverbs 1: 20-33	Jan. 23 — Proverbs 19: 1-11
Jan. 10 — Proverbs 2: 1-15	Jan. 24 — Proverbs 22: 22-29
Jan. 11 — Proverbs 3: 1-12	Jan. 25 — Proverbs 23: 1-9
Jan. 12 — Proverbs 3: 13-27	Jan. 26 — Proverbs 23: 29-35
Jan. 13 — Proverbs 3: 28-35	Jan. 27 — Proverbs 25: 15-28
Jan. 14 — Proverbs 4: 1-19	Jan. 28 — Proverbs 31: 10-31
	Jan. 29 — Colossians 1: 1-14
	Jan. 30 — Colossians 1: 15-23
	Jan. 31 — Colossians 1: 24-29

"He is the Head of the body, the church." (Colossians 1:18)


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