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A. THE COMMON CONFESSION

1. General

Ro. 14:6 — on the sole efficacy of faith, if the sola gratia is to be preserved Wis Rep '51:129
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 1:4f) of Conversion and Election, for sake of sola gratia Wis Rep '51:129f

2. Justification

a. The Biblical picture of justification

Gen 18:25 — God "the judge of all the earth." Tract #3: 1
 Dt 27:26)
 Lev 19:2) — His holy Law demands perfect obedience of all ibid
 James 2:10) mankind.
 1 Jn 3:4 — Every sin a transgression of God's Law. ibid
 Rom 3:23 — All have sinned. ibid
 Is 64:6 — Whole world stands convicted. ibid
 Rom 3:22 — By deeds of law no flesh shall be justified. Tract #3: 2
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- Mt 18:11 — Christ "come to save that which was lost." Tract #3: 2
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 Gal 4:4) — . . by His perfect obedience to the Law, ibid
 Rom 5:18f)
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 1 Tm 2:6) — . . by the sacrifice of His life. ibid
 Rom 8:34)
 Hb 9:24) — On basis of His death and resurrection Christ/ ibid .
 1 Jn 2:1) /pleads cause of sinners.
 Rom 4: 25 — God's verdict: acquittal- ibid
 also 1) Applies to whole world.
 Rom 5: 18f 2) Took place in death and resurrection of Christ.
 2 Cor 5:19 (cf also Wis Rep '51: 129)
 3) is an accomplished fact.
 Rom 1:17)
 3:28) — "Justified by faith," in the sense that faith is Tract #3: 3
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 Rom 4:5 — The receiving hand as God's gift. ibid
 For other passages see also NWL'51: 311

b. Objective Justification

- Rom 5:18f)
 Rom 4:25) — Sedes Doctrinae for Objective Justification. SCf Rep '54: 22, 25
 2 Cor 5:19) NWL'51: pg 311
 2 Cor 5:19 — In substance the same as Rom 5:19. Wis Rep '51: 129
 Since it is merely quoted in CC, this settles SCf Rep '54: 24
 nothing. See also Tract #3: 3 and NWL'51: 312.

3. Conversion

- Eph 2: 1-3) On Total spiritual disability of natural man.
 Rom 8: 7) — CC Lacks these classic passages. Wis Rep '51: 130
 1 Cor 2:14) (See also Tract #4: 2) NWL '51: pg 333
 Gal 4:5-6)
 Tit 2: 11) — On redemption of man. ibid
 Jn 3:16)
 2 Cor 4: 6)
 1 Cor 15:10) — Conversion the work of God alone. NWL '51: pg 334
 Mt 23:37) — Those not converted stubbornly resist. Their
 Acts 13:46) own fault. Scripture does not harmonize this
 with former truth. Tract #4: 2
 Eph 2: 8f — Our teaching concerning faith must emphasize
sola gratia, not impair it. Tract #4: 7
 1 Cor 12:3b — Quoted by CC, without settling the old/
 /controversy. Tract #4: 1
 NWL '55: pg 412

4. Election

- Elements Essential to the Doctrine
 (on basis of the following passages
 Eph. 1:4-5; Rom 8:28-30; Rom 11:5; Act 13:48;
 2 Thess 2:13; Jn 10:28. Tract #6: 2-3
1. God's decree in eternity
 2. whereby He chose, predestinated, or elected

3. in His Son, Jesus Christ
4. certain individuals out of the world of sinners
5. and determined to bring them by means of His Word and Sacraments
6. without fail to faith and salvation.

Act 13:48)		
Eph 1: 5)	— That election is unto faith.	Wis Rep '51: 130
2 Thess 2:13)	(See also SCf Rep, '54: 28, 30)	
Eph 2:19	— Against failure to recognize faith as gift of God.	NWL '51: 120
Mt 24:24)		
Jn 10:27-29)	— That this election is a <u>cause</u> of our salvation	Wis Rep '51: 130
Jn 6:65)	and what pertains thereto.	SCf Rep '54: 20
Rom 8:28-30)	(See also Conc Trgl, 1065:8)	
Act 12:48)	— as above, and	NWL '51: pg 341
Eph 1:5)	on Election of Persons (Personenwahl).	Wis Rep '51: 130f
Mt 24:24)		
Jn 10:27-29)	— on <u>certainty</u> of this election.	Wis Rep '51: 130
Ro 8:28-30,)	(See also Conc Trgl 1079:45)	
:38f)		
Ro 8:29-33)	— Quoted for <u>objective</u> certainty of election.	NWL '56: pg 137
Eph 1)		
Mt 24:24)	— That election is <u>effective</u> .	NWL '51: pg 342
Jn 10:28)		
Mt 24:24)		
Eph 1:3-5)	— Election a <u>comfort</u> by assurance that faith	Wis Rep '51: 130
2 Tm 2:19)	is secured by God's eternal decree.	
2 Thess 2:13)		
1 Tm 2:4)		
2 Pt 3:9)	— Universal grace - not to be identified/ /with election.	NWL '51: pg 342 Tract #6: 3
Ezek 33:11)		
2 Pt 3:9)	— Rule out election unto condemnation.	SCf Rep '54: 28
2 Tm 2:21)		Tract #6: 4
Hos 13:9	— Scripture's explanation why some are lost.	ibid
Mt 23:37	— Man's perdition his own fault.	SCf Rep '54: 28
Rom 9:20	— Against asking: Why some, not others?	Tract #6: 4
Eph 2:1)	— Denied by those who speak of cooperating with	Tract #6: 5
2:8)	God to the extent of not wilfully resisting.	
Rom 11:6	— We are saved by grace alone or not at all.	Tract #6: 8
Act 20:27)	— On failure of CC to say all that is required	Wis Rep '51: 132
Dt 4:2)	in a Scriptural presentation of this doctrine.	

5. Means of Grace (Inspiration)

2 Tm 3:16)		
Jn 10:35)	— Quoted by Brief Statement to show that	
Rom 3:2)	Scriptures teach <u>verbal</u> inspiration.	SCf Rep '54: 32
1 Cor 2:13)		
Psalm 11:3	— On importance of organic foundation.	NWL '51: pg 297
Jn 10:35	— Scripture in all parts and words infallible.	SCf Rep '54: 32
Pss 59,69)	— Declared "out of line with the spirit of	ibid
109)	Christ" by recent ALC writer.	

6. The Church

a. General

Eph 2:20 — Church based on Means of Grace. Wis Rep '51: 132
 Mt 28:20 — On need of observing all things commanded. ibid
 Mt 13:24-43) — Against attempting to segregate true
 25:1-13) — members from others in visible body. NWL '51: pg 360

b. Nature and work of the Church

Lk 1: 53)
 Mt 12:34) — On glory of this work, against idea of "duty." Wis Rep '51: 133
 Mt 10:20)
 Hb 12:22-24 Oneness of church on earth and that in heaven. NWL '51: pg 360
 1 Pt 2:9 — Wider in scope than paragraph 2 of CC IX suggests. ibid

c. Marks of the Church

Mt 7:15) — Warning against heterodox churches. Wis Rep '51: 135
 Ro 16:17-20) (See entire paragraph for context)

d. Church Fellowship (see also under "Unionism")

Jn 17:20 — Misapplied by CC. Wis Rep '51: 134
 Eph 5:23,26f) NWL '51: pg 361
 2:21) as commentary on foregoing. NWL '54: pg 108
 Tit 2:5)
 Eph 2:21f) — Against thought that men build the Church. NWL '51: pg 151
 1 Pt 2:5)
 Hb 10:25 — On value of church fellowship. NWL '51: pg 167
 Mt 7:15)
 Rom 16:17) — Factors which prohibit church fellowship. ibid
 Tit 3:10)

See also definition of church fellowship in SCf '52: 150f (Committee Report on "Offense") on basis of the following passages: Act 2:42; 1 Cor 1:9; Gal 2:1-10; Phil 1:1-6; 2:1f; 1 Jn 1:3-7; 1 Cor 1:10; 2 Thess 3:6; Rom 16:17; 2 Cor 13:14; 6:14.

7. The Last Things (Spec. Anti-Christ)

2 Thess 2 — Biblical warrant for statement that Pope is Wis Rep '51: 135
 "the very Anti-Christ." (Conc Trgl 475:10) NWL '51: pg 378
 2 Thess 2)
 1 Jn 2:18) — Fingerprints of the Anti-Christ. Tract #9: 1
 4:3)
 Dan 11)
 Rev 13:17) — Anti-Christ and many anti-Christ. ibid
 1 Jn 2:18 — The one Anti-Christ. ibid
 1 Jn 4:3 — This central truth of Scripture opposed by Papacy. Tract #9: 2
 Rom 3:28 — No more comprehensive fulfillment can be
 2 Thess 2 — awaited than in the Pope's anathema on this
 very heart of the Gospel truth. Tract #9: 3

- 2 Thess 2:4 — quoted in Smalc Art II, Art IV, 9-10
 - Act 4:12 — Jesus only: against Papal claim.
 - 2 Thess 2:3-12) — That the Pope is the very Anti-Christ.
 - 1 Jn 2:18) — Against charge of "inaccuracy" concerning
Brief Statement on Anti-Christ.
Also endorsing Br St #43 in toto.
- Tract #9: 3
ibid
Scf Rep '54: 34
NWL '55: pg 184
NWL '55: pg 411

8. "Inadequacy."

- Mt 28:20)
 - Act 20:27) — On seriousness of "inadequacy" in a settlement
of doctrinal controversy.
 - Dt 4:2)
 - James 2:9 — That not every confession of faith (tho in
itself correct) is adequate.
- NWL '54: pg 205
NWL '56: pg 104

B. OTHER ISSUES

1. Unionism (see also under "Church Fellowship")

- Rom 16:17f — Basis for proposed Wis. resolution.
 - Rom 16:17)
 - 2 Jn 9-10) — Consequences of unionism as cited by Br St,)
 - 2 Tm 2:17-21) — Art 28, which we endorse.) —
 - Rom 16:17 — On simplicity of passage.
 - As applying to all errorists, Lutheran or not
 - On recognizing obstacles to unity.
 - Rom 16:18 — Does this limit the application of the
"avoid" of verse 17?
- Wis Rep '55: 85
{ Wis Rep '49: 112
NWL '50: pg 121
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NWL '54: pg 41
Wis Rep '49: 113
NWL '50: pg 122
WDWS: pg 13
NWL '55: pg 374

2. Joint Prayer and Prayer Fellowship

- Gal 3:20 — Prayer the privilige of God's children
through faith in Christ.
 - Act 2:42 — Example of joint prayer.
 - Eph 5:18ff — Apostolic exhortation to joint thanksgiving.
 - Eph 5:18ff) — Believers to manifest in worship and in prayer
 - Act 2:42) — the fellowship that unites them.
 - Mt 18:19 — On basis of prayer fellowship - example.
 - Agreement taken for granted.
(On both references see note on final page of Tract #11)
 - 2 Jn 10 — Prohibits prayer between those divided by
doctrine in the visible church.
 - Fellowship ceases when confession of truth and
rejection of error require separation.
 - 1 Cor 1:10 — Need for confessional evidence of being "same
mind and of the same judgment."
 - Mt 10:37 — Ties of family and friendship cannot keep
believer from faithful application of
fellowship principles.
 - 2 Cor 6:15 — Applies to joint prayer with those who deny Christ
 - Rom 14:1 — The spiritually weak to be received
 - 1 Cor 7 — Husband and wife need not part because of
religious differences.
 - 2nd Commandment — Violated by joint prayer to Mary in mixed
marriage of Catholic and Lutheran.
- Tract #10: 1
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Tract #10: 7
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Tract #10: 7
Tract #10: 3
Tract #10: 8
Scf Rep '54: 110
ibid

- Rom 16:17 --- Applies to prayer at intersynodical meetings where there still is separation because of doctrine. SCf Rep '54: 111
- Covering joint prayer as much as pulpit and altar fellowship (note entire article). NWL '56: pg 56
- 1 Tm 5:22 --- Against selectiveness in joint prayer. NWL '54: pg 41

- 3. Scouting
- a. Religious Elements

- Lk 11:23 --- Calls for rejection of Scouting because of "religious features" which are not those of the revealed religion of the Gospel. Wis Rep '47: 106
- Jn 5:23 --- The God of Scouting not the Savior God, since it does not honor Jesus Christ as the Son of God. Tract #7: 5
- As confessors we must point out that recognition of a "God" who is not the Triune God is sin. Cf the First Commandment. SCf Rep '54: 71
- 2 Jn 9f --- Against worship of God which excludes Christ. Wis Rep '47: 107
- Jn 14:6)
- 5:32)--- On the "God" of Scouting. NWL '53: 295
- 1 Jn 1:23)
- Eph 2:1)
- 2 Cor 2:14)--- On failure to recognize implications of original sin. ibid
- Rom 8:7)
- Rom 1&2 --- Natural knowledge of God and His Law, God's salutary gift to men, constantly perverted by sinful man. SCf Rep '54: 71
- Rom 8:8 --- (Re: duty to God) Impossible to please God in the flesh. SCf Rep '52: 147
- Jn 3:6 --- Impossible to do duty to God without conversion. ibid
- Jn 15:5 --- Against "good works" without faith. Wis Rep '47: 108
- Jms 5:12) --- Against Scout "Oath." Detailed discussion involving also Mt 5:33-36; 23:16,18; 23:17-19; SCf Rep '54: 73f
- Mt 5:37) and 23:20-22.
- See also SCf Rep '52:147; Wis Rep '47:108; NWL '55:71; NWL '56:39; and Tract #7 pg 6.
- Jn 8:31 --- Against unionistic spirit of Scouting. Tract #7: 6
- 2 Cor 6:14-18- Violated by unionism of 12th Scout Law. SCf Rep '52:147
- see also Wis Rep '47:107. SCf Rep '54:72
- 2 Jn 9-10 --- Against unionism of 12th Scout Law. ibid
- see also references quoted above.
- John 15:5)
- Gal 2:19f)--- To evaluate character training without Gospel motivation. SCf Rep '52:147
- Gal 3:10)
- Eph 2:8-10)
- Jn 14:6) --- Not being based on faith in Christ, the "Brotherhood" of Scouting is unacceptable. Wis Rep '47:107
- Gal 3:26) --- "By grace - through faith" impaired by Scouting. Tract #7: 3
- Eph 2:8 ---
- Mt 6:1-6 --- Against seeking recognition for religious service (Pro Deo et Patria Award). NWL '55: pg 71
- see also NWL '56: pg 39
- 1 Thess 5:21- We cannot let Scouting decide for us what is objectionable or unobjectionable according to Scripture. SCf Rep '54:70

b. Implications of Membership in Scout Organization

- 2 Cor 6:14-18 On membership in an organization which upholds false "God." Wis Rep '47:109
- 1 Cor 6:12) -- Is such an organization "expedient" for the "edification" of the Church? ibid
- 10:23) --
- 1 Cor 2:14) -- Against "toleration and approval" shown for program of Scout Oath and Law. Wis Rep '47:110
- Rom 8:7) --
- 2 Jn 11) -- Against acceptance of responsibility for national organization, including its false religious elements. ibid
- coll. 9f) --
- Eph 2:12 -- Consequences of recognizing a "God" without Christ. Wis Rep '47:111
- Mark 2:21f -- On Superimposing Gospel on Scout Oath & Law. Tract #7: 7
- 1 Cor 14:8) -- On manner in which the confession of the Church is compromised by the errors of Scouting. WDWS: pg 23f
- Gal 2:18) --
- 1 Cor 1:17) --

4. Chaplaincy

- Eph 5:23-24 -- The Church in its work and mission receives its directives only from Christ its Head. Tract #11: 2
- Ik 22:19) -- The Church's only means for its work are Word and Sacraments. ibid
- Mt 28:19f) --
- Eph 5:25-27 -- The Church's great concern is to remain faithful in its work to Christ its Lord. ibid
- 1 Cor 4:2 -- Faithfulness required in servants. ibid
- Rom 16:17) --
- Mt 7:15) -- On encouraging and assisting military personnel in heterodox and heretical religious exercises? Tract #11: 6
- 2 Jn 10f) --
- Mt 18:17-20) -- Ministers hold their office by virtue of call from their churches. Quoted against chaplain's call. SCf Rep '54:59
- 1 Cor 5:13) --
- Rom 16:17 ?) --
- 1 Pt 2:9) --
- Mt 22:21 -- power of Church and civil power must not be confounded (Cf also AC, Art 28:12). SCf Rep '54:61
- Rom 16:17) --
- 2 Jn 9f) -- Against the unionism which we still find in/ /the chaplaincy arrangement. SCf Rep '54:64
- 2 Tm 2:17-21) --
- Mt 28:20 -- Against restricting chaplains in their right/ /to testify against error. SCf Rep '54:65
- Act 20:27) -- Against providing a service acceptable to those with whom chaplain is not in doctrinal agreement. SCf Rep '54:66
- 1 Cor 4:2) --
- 1 Sm 15:22 -- While we want to make every sacrifice possible for those in the Armed Forces, we cannot do so beyond humbly bowing to God's Word and will. SCf Rep '54:68

5. Communion Agreement

- 1 Cor 10:17 -- Basis for confessional principle that there is to be no altar fellowship unless there is agreement in doctrine and practice. NWL '56: pg 24
- Ro. 16:17 -- Stands against communing with those from whom we are separated in doctrine and practice. ibid

6. Cooperation in Externals

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| Mt 7:15) | "Beware," "Avoid," "Neither bid him God-speed,"
"Reject." — Language distinctly different
from that spoken by those who feel that it is
possible to cooperate with unorthodox church
bodies in supposedly harmless and beneficial
"Externals." | Tract #8: 8 |
| Rom 16:17) | | |
| 2 Jn 10) | | |
| Tit 3:10) | | |
| 1 Cor 15:58 | — God's promise that our labors will not be in
vain. | ibid |

7. Negotiations with Lodges

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| 1 Pt 3:15 | — Approach to Masonic Order not a request of
that Order that it be shown the way of Truth. | SCf Rep '54:109 |
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8. Negotiations with ALC

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| Ps 119:105 | — Principle of "Friendly Invitation" challenges
clarity and authority of Scripture.
(See also Tract #2: 7) | Wis Rep '51:148 |
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9. Participating in Unionistic Programs etc.

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| Rom 16:17) | — Establishing aims of "Lutheran Men in America"
as unionistic.
Also quoted in Statement on Unionism.
"Concordia Cyclopedia" quoted on same subject.
Note also discussion of terms condemning
unionism, as in SCf Rep '54:105, line 12ff. | SCf Rep '53:154
SCf Rep '54:102
SCf Rep '54:103 |
| 2 Jn 9:10) | | |
| 2 Tm 2:17-21) | | |
| 2 Tm 4:2 | — Cannot be used in defense of such participa-
tion, as would be evident if whole passage
were quoted. | SCf Rep '54:111 |

C. GENERAL SUBJECTS

1. State of Confession

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| 1 Cor 14:8) | — Reasons for 1952 Statement (Status Conf). | Wis Rep '53:104
(Footnote) |
| Gal 4:9) | | |
| Gal 6: 1f) | — Reasons for "prayerfully awaiting" | Wis Rep '53:105 |
| Rom 15:5f) | | |
| 1 Cor 14:8) | — Reasons for maintaining clear stand. | NWL '53: pg 345 |
| 1 Tm 1:8) | | |
| 2 Thess 3:14f | | |

2. Brotherly Admonition

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| 1 Thess 3:10 | — A duty toward weak and erring. | NWL '50: pg 218 |
| Jer 23:28) | — Against idea of "different trends" which shall
be accorded equal recognition in the Church.
Quoted from SCf essay, 1888 (Franz Pieper) | NWL '50: pg 219 |
| 1 Pt 4:11) | | |
| Act 20:27) | | |
| Dt 12:32) | | |
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