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The Lord our God be with us,
as he was with our fathers:
let him not leave us,
nor forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57

Briefs by the Editor

It is important that each of our members read the article on page 221, "A Major Convention Issue," by Pastor James Schaefer, Stewardship Counselor, and then discuss it with those who will be representing them at the synodical convention in August. If these representatives know that the rank and file of the Synod are backing them, they will be able to make decisions pleasing to the Lord. Without your backing, they will definitely be at a loss.

Even more important is that you discuss the same article with the Lord of the Church in your prayers. As we do that, we are face to face with the Lord in a very personal way, speaking with him about our personal part in supporting the work of his kingdom. His Holy Spirit will also speak to us through his Word. There can be no doubt at all that the Lord is looking to us to take an active part in his work.

One such word of God is the Parable of the Pounds, recorded in Luke 19. A nobleman, about to go to a far country to receive a kingdom, calls his servants together — all 10 of them — and gives them 10 pounds. The pounds, in our case, are both our earthly treasures and God's heavenly treasures, his

means of grace, the Word and the Sacraments. What shall we do with them?

The Lord Jesus — for he is that nobleman — doesn't leave us in the dark. His statement is clear and to the point: "Occupy till I come." Since he has not as yet returned in judgment, his command holds for us and for our time. At our Synod session the Lord is definitely going to be there. He will be reading the resolutions and he will be reading the hearts — your hearts, for you will be speaking through your representatives.

What will the final chapter read like? Will it read: "Lord, your pound has gained 10 pounds"? Or will it read: "Lord, here is your pound, which I kept laid up in a napkin"?

Read the account if you're not sure which answer pleased the Lord when he returned, or which answer will please our Lord when he returns on the last and great day.

Looking ahead to the convention and being aware of the spirit of our members, their faith in Jesus Christ and their trust in his Word, we do so with the confidence that the Lord's plans will be carried out. In the meantime, let us all read the article on page 221 very carefully and prayerfully.

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Saturday, August 4, 1979

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The Cover

Good Shepherd's new church at West Bend, Wisconsin, emphasizes the rustic and rough hewn. Of particular interest is the fact that the building and its appointments were designed to illustrate the significance of the congregation's name. For more information turn to page 218.

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Editorials

Religious Absolutes Noted news analyst Paul Harvey in his syndicated newspaper column recently made some interesting observations about religion. He began by quoting the saying that "if you take away a man's God, he will invent another," and then went on to point out that there is a void in the human heart and mind which only religion can fill. Religion is not an add-on; it is a necessity among humankind. For this reason every tribe and nation in history has had a religious tradition and has held religious beliefs.

Among other things, Harvey noted the importance of what he called the "absolute" in religion. By the term "absolute" he means unquestionable truth. He attributed the decline of mainline churches to the fact that they have "compromised, modernized and diluted dogma"; and he sees the rise of Rev. Moon, Hare Krishna, Scientology, Children of God, and the guru sects as inventions to fill the void created by the trend away from religious absolutes in the traditional churches. He further observes that "the only mainline churches which have continued to grow and prosper in numbers and in resources are those which are most evangelical, most nearly what we used to call 'fundamental' — those which adhere closest to the belief that the Bible means what it says."

If his observations are correct — and we know they are — the key to success becomes obvious: adhere to absolutes as they are set forth in the Bible. An even better reason for holding fast to them is that they comprise truths revealed from the beginning by God himself to fill a desperate human need.

Immanuel Frey

Alternate Lifestyles Today we often hear the term "alternate lifestyle." This usually refers to alternatives to marriage. Marriage, as Scripture shows us, is a gracious gift of God created for our good. Most of us appreciate this gift and choose to accept it and enjoy it. But marriage is a gift, not a command, of God. God never wrote with a finger of fire on a tablet of stone, "Thou shalt marry." So we may properly ask, "Are there any God-pleasing alternatives to marriage?"

Many people feel that they have found an acceptable alternative to marriage in a lifestyle which allows them to make love with anyone who happens to be in a love-making mood. They feel that they have discovered an arrangement which gives them all the privileges but none of the responsibilities of the old "till death do you part" commitment involved in marriage. God, however, calls such a lifestyle fornication and condemns it with a solemn warning: "Whoremongers and adulterers God will judge." We too must publicly condemn such a promiscuous lifestyle to prevent others from being influenced by it and caught up in it and also to call to repentance those who are already living in it.

Others feel that homosexuality is a viable alternative to marriage, but God's Word certainly does not concur in that opinion. Scripture refers to homosexuality as "leaving

the natural use." Simply taking into consideration the basic anatomical differences between male and female is enough to make you realize that homosexuality is a perverted departure from God's natural order of creation. When such forms of moral uncleanness are practiced in the secrecy of the closet the Lord says: "It's a shame even to speak of the things which are done of them in secret." When this practice comes out of the closet and demands public acceptance, as it did in Sodom and as it's doing today, God places a clear and unmistakable label on it calling it "a sin which is very grievous." We too must stand with God's Word and condemn this sin and warn against it so that this leaven of wickedness may not spread further than it has already spread, and so that those who are already enslaved by it may repent and find forgiveness for it and freedom from it through Christ.

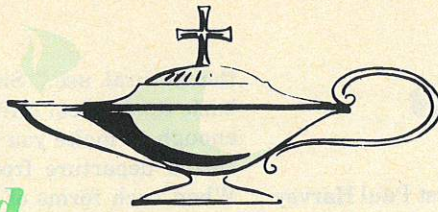
But there is another alternative to marriage — remaining single. Or let's sharpen the focus just a bit more and say remaining celibate. Celibacy means not only remaining single, but it also means living a chaste and decent life in thought, word and deed. The Apostle Paul lived a celibate life. Was there something wrong with the man? Was he in some way incomplete or deficient? Paul didn't think so. Neither did the Lord. By inspiration of the Holy Ghost Paul called his lifestyle a gift. Celibacy, like marriage, can be a gift of God. God does tell us that "it's not good for man to be alone," but through the Apostle Paul in First Corinthians, chapter seven, the Lord also tells us that, under certain circumstances, it's also good to remain unmarried. He even says: "It's good for a man not to touch a woman." In that same chapter the Lord even lists some advantages in exercising the gift of celibacy and remaining single. Foremost among them is the fact that if you don't have the responsibility of pleasing a spouse and caring for a family you'll have more time and energy to serve the Lord without distraction.

But celibacy, like marriage, should never be commanded. In First Timothy, Paul tells us that forbidding to marry is a doctrine of the devils. On the other hand though, neither should celibacy be condemned. In the last verses of First Corinthians, chapter seven, Paul tells Christian fathers that if they have a daughter of marriageable age and she desires marriage, she should be given in marriage. If, however, she feels no desire for marriage, she shouldn't be pushed into it as if it were the only God-pleasing way for her to live. She may have the gift of celibacy, which is also a gift of God.

We would do well to keep this advice in mind in regard to our own single friends and relatives. There's certainly nothing wrong with introducing a nice single lady to a nice single gentleman. But don't push, and don't be disappointed either if your friends don't fall in love and rush right down to city hall to apply for a marriage license. Or let me put it another way — don't be disappointed if your friends and relatives don't have the same gifts you do. To one, God gives the gift of marriage. To another, He gives the gift of celibacy. Both are gifts of God. Celibacy can be a very God-pleasing alternative to marriage, a God-pleasing alternate lifestyle. Celibacy should neither be condemned nor ridiculed.

Walter F. Beckmann

Studies in God's Word



Abraham — Restored by God

Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt. . . . As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, "I know what a beautiful woman you are. When the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they will kill me and will let you live. Say that you are my sister. . . ." When Pharaoh's officials saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh, and she was taken into his palace. He treated Abram well for her sake. . . . But the Lord inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram's wife Sarai. So Pharaoh summoned Abram. "What have you done to me?" he said. "Why didn't you tell me she was your wife?" . . . Then Pharaoh gave orders about Abram to his men, and they sent him on his way, with his wife and everything he had (Genesis 12:10-20 — NIV) .

The annals of the heathen rarely record the failings of their heroes. Only their virtues are remembered. How thankful we should be that the Scriptures do not shrink from recording also the sins of the saints! If we had only their heroic deeds, we might throw up our hands, despairing, "I can never be like that." As we read of their failings, we find hope. From the God who graciously spared and lovingly restored them when they fell comes strength also for us. Take for example *Abraham, Father of the Faithful*, as he is "Restored by God."

Failing in Foolishness

It's an entirely different picture we have of Abraham. Gone is the hero of faith who in firm reliance on God's promises left family and homeland behind to journey to a strange land. Before us stands a man who foolishly forgets God's promises of help, feebly looks to his own ingenuity for solutions,

and fearfully endangers his wife from whom the promised Seed was to come. He who had trusted God enough to go where he was told now didn't trust that same God to preserve his life.

A grievous famine had arisen in the land of promise, very likely caused by lack of rain. In the semi-arid south where Abraham was now wandering, the famine would have hit even more severely and Abraham, the homeless stranger with his herds and household, must have felt it most strongly. The solution seemed to be journeying to Egypt where the marvelous Nile River kept alive the long fields of green between the far reaching wastes of sand. In Egypt, Abraham would look for food for his house and fields for his herds.

In Egypt he would also find powerful men who knew not the true God and who ruthlessly pursued their own selfish ends. Among such men robbery was not limited to silver and gold. Sooner or later one of them would spot Sarah's beauty and want her for himself. Although at this time Sarah was 65 years old (Genesis 12:4; 17:17; 23:1), she was only middle-aged and still quite beautiful. As a foreigner, Abraham had little rights and as a husband he could only be in the way. He didn't want to die of hunger, but neither did he want to lose his life because of his wife's beauty.

So Abraham came up with a clever plan. Earlier when he and Sarah had left their homeland to come to Canaan, they had in sinful weakness devised a scheme for just this kind of emergency. They would say that Sarah was his sister (20:11-13). Though there was some truth in this statement because they shared a common father, though not a common mother, yet it was at best a half-truth. Deceitfully omitted was the important fact that she was also his wife. In cowardice Abraham asked his wife now to help him put this devious plan into action and to jeopardize her own honor. With this selfish, shortsighted scheme he hoped to protect

himself and perhaps leave with Sarah before anyone's interest in his "sister" could advance too far.

Have we like Abraham ever failed in foolishness? In the famines of life, when the blasts of trouble threaten to sear our faith, it's so easy to fear instead of trust, to turn to our own power instead of to the Lord's, to disregard his promises and devise our own schemes. Abraham was not the only believer who ever got weak knees. We know the feeling, too, but thank God, from the account of Abraham we also have learned where to turn for forgiveness and restoration.

Corrected in Kindness

God began his correction of Abraham by exposing that foolish plan. Scarcely had Abraham reached Egypt when what he had feared actually happened. Not just any Egyptian, but Pharaoh himself asked for Sarah. Such a high suitor could hardly be put off; owning up to the shameful scheme could only bring punishment. So Abraham let Sarah go into Pharaoh's harem and found scant comfort in the presents which Pharaoh sent his way.

Then the Lord graciously stepped in, remaining faithful though Abraham had not. In his mercy he protected Sarah from harm by sending heavy plagues on Pharaoh and his house. In his mercy he also shielded Abraham from harm by turning aside thoughts of vengeance from Pharaoh's mind. Silently Abraham had to face Pharaoh's sharp rebuke and shamefaced had to leave Egypt under guard. In all this, the Lord was graciously sparing and kindly correcting Abraham by reminding him where he should have turned in the first place, to the Lord and his rich promises. Abraham learned his lesson. When he reached Canaan again, he hurried to Bethel, to the altar he had built there, and penitently called upon the name of the Lord (13:3,4).

How often must not our gracious God carry us in our foolish weakness and correct us with his kind mercy! From the restoration of Abraham we learn again that God's children are not just nameless ciphers lost in a jungle of statistics, but undeserving individuals with whom God deals in his everlasting love. With that grace and love he can make restored Abrahams out of us!

Richard E. Lauersdorf

Mining the Treasure of God's Word



BY JULIAN G. ANDERSON

We Turn to the New Testament

Almost three and a half years ago we began our study of the story of Jesus the Messiah in the Old Testament historical and prophetic books. And having finished that study, we are now ready to begin our study of the fulfillment of all those prophecies as recorded in the pages of the four Gospels which will now become our text and the site of our new mining operations. When we finish this exciting story, we shall have before us the full picture of God's plan of salvation for the fallen world of men.

Our New Mining Site

We today speak of "the four Gospels." The first Christians were more precise and exact. For them there was only *one* gospel, or good news (Galatians 1:7), but it has been told or presented in four different ways for four different intended groups of hearers or readers. Thus they spoke of "The Gospel according to Matthew," etc. (see the titles in all translations). Each one is a series of pen sketches of the same person — the Lord Jesus; and each is noticeably different from the others. All four are clearly biographical, inasmuch as they record certain facts about the same person, but none of them is a complete biography by any stretch of the imagination. In fact, if we put them all together, we have only a very, very incomplete "life" of Christ. The truth is that each one was a little "propaganda" piece to get people inter-

ested in Jesus, so that they would believe in him as their Savior (John 20:30,31).

It is true, however, that by putting all four Gospels together, we get a much fuller picture of Jesus than by reading any one separately. When we put them all together, we get what is called a "harmony," since we are then listening to four separate voices singing the same story at the same time. The earliest such harmony was written about 150 A.D. by a preacher or teacher named Tatian, probably in Rome.

It is clear that Matthew wrote his Gospel, probably around 45 A.D., for the Jews, to convince them that Jesus was the promised Messiah. And tradition says that Mark wrote his version around 65 A.D. for the people in Rome, using Peter as his source. Luke clearly presents the gospel according to Paul, addressing himself to the Greek world about 58 A.D. And John wrote his version many years later, about 96 A.D., to warn against the many false religious sects that had arisen claiming to be "Christian." The first three Gospels are remarkably similar in plan and arrangement and are therefore called "synoptic," since they give the same view or picture of Jesus; but John's Gospel is much different, and while its language is simpler, the thoughts are more profound.

In our study we shall try, as best we can, to proceed in a chronological order, but we must point out that when

we come to the 2½-year public life of Jesus, this is very difficult, since Matthew, Mark and John are all arranged topically and not chronologically. Only the Gospel according to Luke seems to be arranged in a definitely chronological order. At any rate, we shall begin with

Luke 1:1-4

In these four verses Luke gives us a little picture of the Christian world in his day (about 58 A.D.) and tells us how he came to write his version of the good news. He is the only one to do this. Note what he says in verse 1 about the literary activity in the early church. Remember this was almost 30 years after Jesus' life, death and resurrection in 29 A.D. Remember also that one of these accounts mentioned must certainly have been Matthew's Gospel, probably written some 10 years before. Note also the ultimate sources for all these accounts (v. 2). The primary eyewitnesses, of course, were the apostles (note what was said about this point in Acts 1:12-22, when they were electing a replacement for Judas). Next observe what Luke says about himself in verse 3. As we shall see later (chapter 24:13-35), Luke was probably a member of the inner circle surrounding the apostles, but his statement in verse 3a (NIV) also covers the period of time before he became a follower of Christ, going all the way back to the very beginning (we shall study this next time, starting with 1:5). Note, too, that Luke says here that he aimed to write about what happened "in order" (v. 3, KJV), which can most easily be understood to mean that he means to write in chronological order.

Theophilus (v. 3) was obviously a friend of Luke's and, from the way Luke speaks of him, must have been a man in high position. He was perhaps a Roman official Luke had met in Philippi or Troas. Mark Luke's statement of purpose in verse 4, which, of course, applied only to Theophilus, who was already a believer. We can hardly fail to believe, however, that Luke had a larger purpose, shared by all the evangelists spoken of above. As we begin, then, how thankful we must be that Luke has given us this interesting little peek into the Christian world of his time, and a little insight into how and when the Gospels came to be written.

A Day To Remember



May 22, 1979, was such a day for the estimated 2,500 alumni and friends of Northwestern who were on campus to celebrate Northwestern Day and the Alumni Society Centennial. From the opening service of thanksgiving in the morning to the outdoor concert and program in the evening, this was a day which those who were in attendance will not soon forget.

The morning service of thanksgiving was highlighted by Pastor Carl Mischke's sermon on "The Typical Northwestern Alumnus." As Pastor Mischke aptly brought out: the typical alumnus is the parish pastor. He reminded the large audience in the college gymnasium that although "Northwestern can hold its head high when we look to the

many graduates who are successful in many walks of life, the primary goal of this school is worker-training, and we are especially thankful for the typical alumnus who has gone on to the Seminary and then to the full-time ministry."

Special music was provided for this memorable service by the College Wind Ensemble, the prep and college choirs, a grade-school chorus from area WELS Christian day schools, and by an alumni chorus. The choirs were under the direction of Professors A. Lehmann and F. Zabell and Pastor K. Eggert. Also participating in the service were Professor G. Baer as liturgist and Professors C. Toppe and W. Zell as lectors.

Following the noon lunch, enjoyed by

an overflow crowd in the college cafeteria and in the shade of a large outdoor tent, the alumni were treated to an afternoon of activities of many kinds. There was the continuous showing of a new recruitment filmstrip on Northwestern, financed by the Alumni Society, along with the 1949 movie on Northwestern, both of which were greatly enjoyed by well over 2,000 viewers. Throughout the afternoon there was entertainment galore provided by various college and prep school musical groups on the outdoor stage. There was a softball game between alumni and students. There were displays and memorabilia of many kinds to view. There was a festive Alumni Society meeting attended by a record number of old grads, a meeting at which the Society adopted a number of new projects for their alma mater as a follow-up to the nearly \$40,000 expended in projects in her behalf in this centennial year. At the meeting recognition was also given to Dr. E. C. Kiessling for his book *Centennial Memoir*, written especially for the centennial.

In the evening, after a delicious bratwurst and chicken dinner served in the cafeteria and tent, Northwestern Day was topped off by a gala outdoor program and the bell tower presentation. The prep and college choirs sang; the band played; skits written especially for the occasion were presented; tenth, twenty-fifth, and fiftieth anniversary class representatives spoke; the bell tower was officially presented as a gift from the society to the college; and the

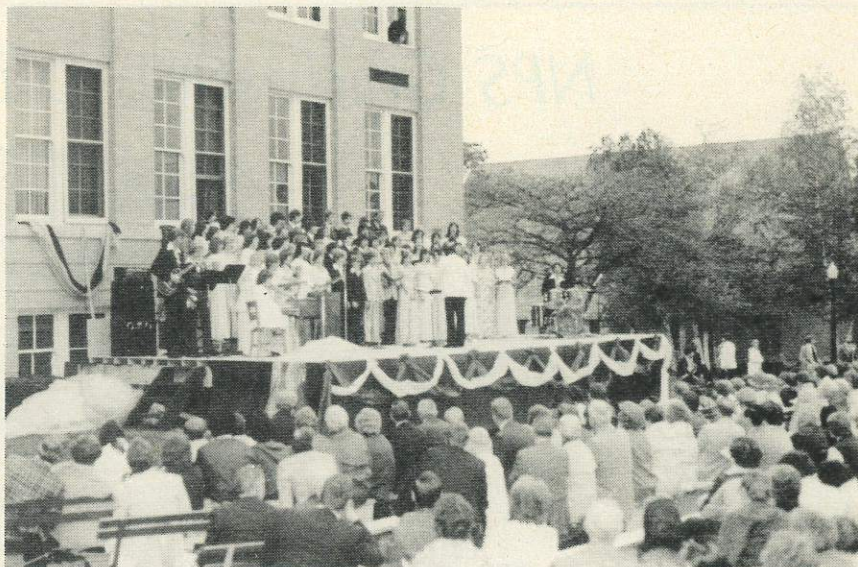


Bell Tower Presentation

old bell rang out anew at the hand of the oldest alumnus present, Dr. Henry Koch of the class of 1909.

Yes, Northwestern Day was a very special day, a once-in-a-lifetime day, a day of happy remembering and of grateful rededication, a day on which and for which to give special thanks to a gracious God and Savior. As President Toppe wrote in his words of welcome in the printed program for the day: "We thank all who made Northwestern Day possible: the alumni who planned it; the alumni, faculty, students, and staff who contributed many hours to fashion it; above all, we are grateful to the Lord, who has granted us this occasion for celebration and has prospered our efforts to make this a festive day to remember and to cherish."

D. C. Sellnow



Outdoor Concert on Northwestern Day

On the day following

Graduation at NWC

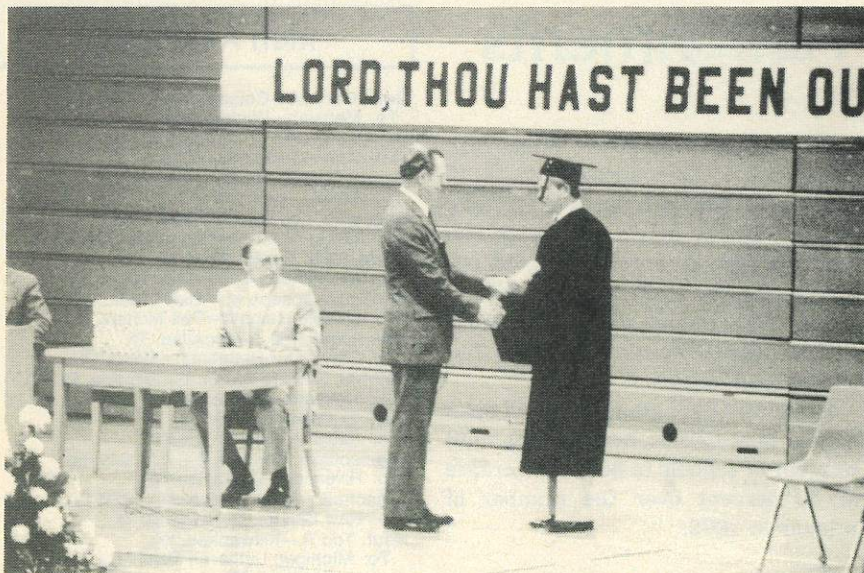
As the procession of graduates left the Chapel-Arts Building the morning of May 23 on its way to the gymnasium, where the graduation exercises were held, the college bell rang out to announce the 108th annual commencement at Northwestern College. The day before, the Alumni Society of Northwestern College had dedicated the bell to serve "in the spirit of faithfulness of Northwestern to its purpose and of its

graduates to their ministry." It was the bell's first official function as it resumed its role, after a lapse of several years, as the chronicler of school events and the keeper of campus hours. No function will be more important than to announce that another class of young men has completed its pre-seminary course of studies and has taken a large step nearer its goal of becoming ambassadors for Christ.

The Class of 1979, with 42 members, is the smallest class to graduate from Northwestern College in more than a decade. As if to compensate for its modest size, however, 41 of the 42 graduates are expected to apply for admission to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

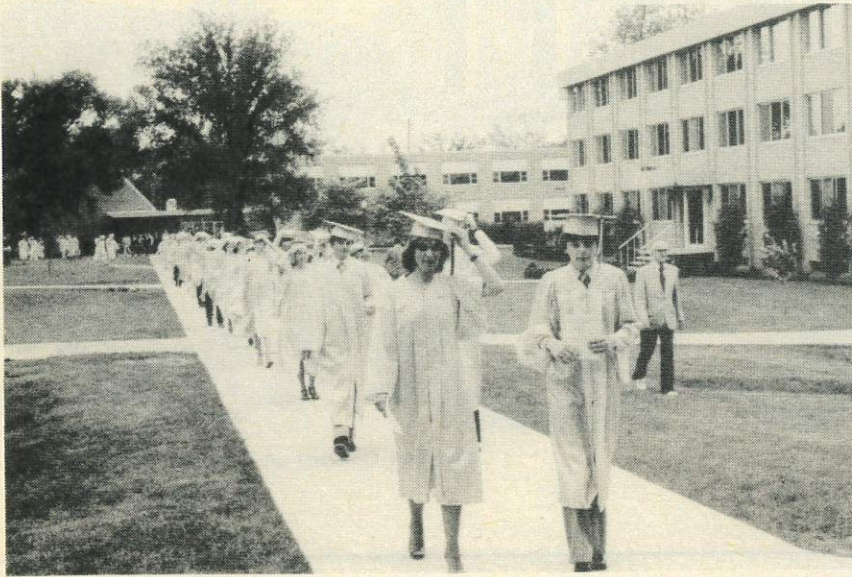
The following are the members of the college graduating class:

Keith Billitz, Wyoming, MI
 Mark Birkholz, Saginaw, MI
 Gregory Bork, Milwaukee, WI
 David Clark, Detroit, MI
 Jerry Ewings, Jim Falls, WI
 Douglas Free, Omaha, NE
 Thomas Fricke, Watertown, WI
 Thomas Gumm, West Bend, WI
 Tim Gumm, Milwaukee, WI
 Timothy Henning, Dousman, WI
 Dennis Himm, Chesanaw, MI
 Charles Huebner, Saginaw, MI
 David Huebner, New Ulm, MN
 Thomas Jeske, Mequon, WI
 Ricky Johnson, Winona, MN
 Timothy Kant, Rockford, MN
 Peter Kiecker, Fairfax, MN
 Norval Kock, Manitowoc, WI
 David Kolander, Montello, WI
 Michael Loescher, White Bear Lake, MN
 Paul Mueller, Owosso, MI
 Timothy Mueller, Crystal Lake, IL
 David Nottling, El Paso, TX
 Lawrence Olson, Milwaukee, WI
 Larry Pontel, Whitewater, WI
 William Runke, Nicollet, MN
 Richard Scheibe, Wrightstown, WI
 Steven Schiller, Hustisford, WI
 Paul Schleis, Mishicot, WI
 Randal Schoemann, Friesland, WI
 Daniel Schumann, Duluth, MN
 Donald Seelhoff, Owosso, MI
 David Seelow, Stratford, WI
 Jeffrey Seelow, Milwaukee, WI
 Roger Sloan, Onalaska, WI
 E. Allen Sorum, Auburn, WA
 Phillip Spaude, Saginaw, MI
 Dennis Strong, Remus, MI
 Keith Tullberg, Moline, IL
 Ross Ulrich, Baraboo, WI
 Steve Wilkens, West Bend, WI
 Paul Ylvisaker, Arcadia, CA



President C. Toppe presenting diplomas

NPS Graduation Different



In a number of ways the 1979 graduation at Northwestern Preparatory School, Watertown, Wisconsin, was quite different from previous graduations at the school. First of all, it followed in the wake of the Northwestern Day celebration, which certainly added something special to the occasion. The service was held on a cold, windy afternoon. Such weather is not typical of graduation day weather at Northwestern. Further, the graduating class was

the largest Tertia class in the last nine years. It was also the first of the four full-fledged "two track" classes to have enrolled at NPS. Consequently its 51 members included 20 girls. Finally, a higher than usual percentage of the class intends to continue an education that will lead into the pastoral or teaching ministry. We know already now that 42 of the 51 members will be enrolling either at Northwestern College or Dr. Martin Luther College. This

is more than our customary 75 percent of the graduating class.

Approximately 800 persons attended the May 23 afternoon service in the Northwestern gym. Taking part were Pastor Karl Gurgel, the vice-chairman of the board of control, who preached the sermon, and Prof. William Zell, the school's president, who served as liturgist and also awarded the diplomas. Richard Pamperin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pamperin of Madison, Wisconsin, was the class speaker. The NPS Mixed Chorus under the direction of Prof. Franklin Zabell, and the NWC-NPS Band under Dr. Arnold Lehmann's direction, also performed. Dr. Lehmann's retirement makes this his last service to our school. We are grateful to him for all past contributions to our preparatory school program, and we wish him the Lord's richest blessings in his retirement years.

All members of the graduating class of 1979 we commend to the Lord of the church. May he keep them safe in body and soul, and may he make them all effective witnesses of his grace, as called pastors, called teachers, or consecrated lay members in the congregations of his believing saints!

William G. Zell

1979 Teacher Assignments

New Ulm, Minn. — The Committee on the Assignment of Calls of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod met here at Dr. Martin Luther College, May 31 and June 1, and assigned 111 graduates of the college to their first calls in parish elementary schools of the Wisconsin Synod.

Of the 111 graduates assigned, 33 were men and 78 were women. Twenty-eight women graduates were not assigned because they plan to be married this summer. Most of the 28 will be teaching in the fall through calls arranged by their respective district presidents. Eight previous graduates were also assigned.

The 404,000-member Wisconsin Synod has 1,123 congregations in 47 states and three provinces of Canada. Its churches maintain 339 parish elementary schools, enrolling 29,685 pupils, taught by 1,397 teachers. In addition, associations of congregations or individuals maintain 14 area Lutheran high schools.

Next fall 18 congregations will open elementary schools, bringing the total number of schools to 357, an increase of 40 percent over the number of schools in 1972.

James P. Schaefer
Director of Public Relations

Men Assigned

Bain, Gary M.—Coloma, MI
To: Messiah—Wichita, KS
Bakken, James A.—Genoa, WI
To: Zion—Columbus, WI
Bauer, Paul A.—Two Rivers, WI
To: Trinity—Hoskins, NE
Boerneke, Lee A.—New Ulm, MN
To: Living Word—Mission Viejo, CA
Bowe, Keith R.—Hartford, WI
To: Ascension—Escondido, CA
Brinkman, Joseph M.—Oak Creek, WI
To: Lincoln Heights—Des Moines, IA
Czer, Lawrence J.—McAllen, TX
To: Christ Our Redeemer—Bend, OR
DeFrain, Richard A.—Ft. Lauderdale, FL
To: Messiah—Milwaukee, WI
Ebeling, Glenn J.—Maribel, WI
To: Calvary—Thiensville, WI
Fogelsonger, Kenneth P.—Bay City, MI
To: Riverview—Appleton, WI
Greschner, Allen A.—Clear Lake, WI
To: New Salem—Sebawaing, MI
Hauf, Tod A.—Milwaukee, WI
To: Michigan Lutheran Seminary
Saginaw, MI
Homstad, John H.—La Crosse, WI
To: St. Luke's—Kenosha, WI

Huebner, Richard P.—Manitowoc, WI
To: Immanuel—Appleton, WI

Huebner, Robert J.—Manitowoc, WI
To: St. Marcus—Milwaukee, WI

Hugo, Jeffrey P.—Bangor, WI
To: Ocean Drive—Pompano Beach, FL

Leitzke, Mark E.—Manitowoc, WI
To: Trinity—Marinette, WI

Lohmiller, Frederick M.—Henry, SD
To: Northwestern Preparatory School
Watertown, WI

Luehring, Frederick M.—Kaukauna, WI
To: Good Shepherd—Sioux Falls, SD

Minzlaff, Jay C.—Kewaskum, WI
To: St. Matthew's—Niles, IL

Morser, Mark S.—Racine, WI
To: Trinity—Kaukauna, WI

Pederson, Bradley J.—Mankato, MN
To: Zion—Valentine, NE

Plamann, William K.—Appleton, WI
To: St. Andrew—St. Paul Park, MN

Punke, Lennard A.—Brookfield, WI
To: Lutheran School Association
Cochrane, WI

Purrington, Cecil N.—Hobbs, N. Mexico
To: Good Shepherd—West Bend, WI

Sawall, Robert L.—Manitowoc, WI
To: Apostles—San Jose, CA

Schommer, Gary L.—Appleton, WI
To: St. John—Whitewater, WI

Schwartz, Richard L.—Tomah, WI
To: Zebaoth—Milwaukee, WI

Selbig, Alan J.—Owosso, MI
To: St. John—Pigeon, MI

Siegler, Richard R.—New Ulm, MN
To: St. Paul's—Sodus, MI

Snamiska, Paul W.—Milwaukee, WI
To: Palos—Palos Heights, IL

Voeltz, Edwin E.—Reedsville, WI
To: Michigan Lutheran Seminary
Saginaw, MI

Wade, James A.—Watertown, WI
To: St. John—Princeton, WI

Weimer, John D.—New Ulm, MN
To: St. Paul's—Hales Corners, WI

Weindorf, Thomas C.—Sylmar, CA
To: St. John—Baraboo, WI

Westphal, Riley W.—Fond du Lac, WI
To: St. Peter—Chilton, WI

Willms, Randall L.—Oak Creek, WI
To: Bethlehem—Hortonville, WI

Winkler, Craig C.—Greenleaf, WI
To: King of Kings—Garden Grove, CA

Zemple, Dean D.—Hortonville, WI
To: Michigan Lutheran Seminary,
Saginaw, MI

Zimmer, Ronald C.—Appleton, WI
To: Shepherd of the Valley—Fresno, CA

Women Assigned

Abel, Pamela J.—Madison, WI
To: St. John—Lannon, WI

Baldauf, Sharon N.—South Haven, MI
To: Bethany—Manitowoc, WI

Baumann, Barbara K.—Grafton, NE
To: Salem—Edmonds, WA

Becker, Beatrice A.—Shiocton, WI
To: St. Paul—Platteville, WI

Biedenbender, Pamela C.—Berton Harbor, MI
To: Grace—Alma, MI

Boesch, Carol F.—Fairmont, MN
To: St. Luke—Oakfield, WI

Bredeson, Karin R.—Newport, MI
To: St. John—Juneau, WI

Brooks, Dawn M.—Delavan, WI
To: Trinity—Marshfield, WI

Buelow, Carol C.—Menomonee Falls, WI
To: Cross of Christ—Coon Rapids, MN

Campbell, Jane E.—Waukegan, IL
To: Emmanuel—Tempe, AZ

Cares, Cathryn A.—Columbus, WI
To: Peace—Granger, IN

Degner, Dianne M.—Jefferson, WI
To: Bethel—Menasha, WI

Dietz, Carol E.—Buena Park, CA
To: Michigan Lutheran Seminary,
Saginaw, MI

Dropp, Dianne C.—West Chicago, IL
To: Our Savior—Zion, IL

Enstad, Jody L.—St. Paul Pk., MN
To: Samuel School of Christ,
Marshall, MN

Frohman, Mary A.—Sault Ste. Marie, MI
To: Emanuel—Flint, MI

Giese, Sally J.—Pompano Beach, FL
To: Christ—Saginaw, MI

Gillmer, Beth E.—Poway, CA
To: Our Savior's Apache Mission,
Bylas, AZ

Gorz, Susan K.—Algoma, WI
To: Martin Luther Preparatory School,
Prairie du Chien, WI

Graubner, Kay-Lynn—Vassar, MI
To: King of Kings—Maitland, FL

Griepentrog, Susan M.—Morrison, WI
To: St. Paul—Rapid City, SD

Hafermann, Bethel M.—Wisconsin Rapids, WI
To: Mt. Calvary—Kimberly, WI

Hasbargen, Judith A.—Pasco, WA
To: St. Paul's—Stevensville, MI

Hasbargen, Linda K.—Pasco, WA
To: Trinity—Marinette, WI

Hensler, Vicki J.—Saginaw, MI
To: St. John—Manitowoc, WI

Jarrell, Nancy—Forest Grove, OR
To: Memorial—Williamston, MI

Johne, Mary L.—Tsuchiura, Japan
To: Beautiful Savior—Grove City, OH

Johnson, Doris R.—Onalaska, WI
To: Trinity—Aberdeen, SD

Juengel, Cheryl L.—Bloomington, MN
To: St. Andrew—Chicago, IL

Kaesmeyer, Rachel A.—Saginaw, MI
To: Martin Luther Preparatory School,
Prairie du Chien, WI

Kipfmiller, Ruth E.—Bay City, MI
To: First—Prescott, AZ

Kirchner, Kay E.—Two Rivers, WI
To: Holy Trinity—Wyoming, MI

Kitzerow, Doris M.—Woodland, WI
To: Immanuel—Kewaunee, WI

Kneser, Hollie E.—Greendale, WI
To: St. John—Jefferson, WI

Kock, Bethel L.—Rhineland, WI
To: Crown of Life—Hubertus, WI

Krauss, Marla R.—Freeland, MI
To: Japan Mission

Kurth, Janice E.—Beaver Dam, WI
To: St. Martin's—Watertown, SD

Kuske, Deborah J.—Saginaw, MI
To: Faith—Dexter, MI

Lambert, Laurie J.—Eugene, OR
To: Woodlawn—West Allis, WI

Laubenstein, Barbara J.—Menomonee Falls, WI
To: Immanuel—Medford, WI

Leifer, Pamela A.—Manitowoc, WI
To: St. Peter—Schofield, WI

Lohr, Judy A.—Watertown, WI
To: Lord of Life—Friendswood, TX

Loos, Debra A.—Appleton, WI
To: St. Paul—Plymouth, NE

Lutze, Kary K.—Manitowoc, WI
To: St. John—Lewiston, MN

Maasz, Jane D.—Sleepy Eye, MN
To: Peridot Apache Mission,
Peridot, AZ

Mammel, Kathryn B.—Onalaska, WI
To: Epiphany—Racine, WI

Meers, Robin M.—Chokio, MN
To: St. John—Wood Lake, MN

Meyer, Melita M.—Waupaca, WI
To: Gethsemane Apache Mission,
Cibecue, AZ

Moeller, Michelle Y.—Shawnee, KS
To: St. Matthew—Oconomowoc, WI

Monthie, Carol M.—Hudson, NY
To: St. Paul—Bangor, WI

Neils, Lori K.—St. Peter, MN
To: Zion—Egg Harbor, WI

Neujahr, Lori E.—Bloomington, MN
To: Good Shepherd—Beloit, WI

Newman, Carol A.—Buchanan, MI
To: St. Lucas—Kewaskum, WI

Panning, Julia R.—Toledo, OH
To: St. Luke—Little Chute, WI

Peter, Rachel A.—Jenera, OH
To: First—Lake Geneva, WI

Plamann, Cyndi S.—Appleton, WI
To: St. John's—Mukwonago, WI

Purchatzke, Kay M.—Oshkosh, WI
To: St. Paul's—Stevensville, MI

Quint, Linda J.—Milwaukee, WI
To: St. John-St. James—Reedsville, WI

Ratzburg, Susan A.—Neenah, WI
To: St. Paul—Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Ring, Molly A.—New Ulm, MN
To: St. Mark—Lincoln, NE

Roland, Susan A.—Cedarburg, WI
To: Faith—River Falls, WI

Ross, Linda S.—Winona, MN
To: Peace—Hartford, WI

Schapekahn, Susan K.—New Ulm, MN
To: Immanuel—Waukegan, IL

Schmelzer, Mary E.—Remus, MI
To: St. Peter's—Plymouth, MI

Schrimpf, Marilyn R.—Goodhue, MN
To: St. John—Manitowoc, WI

Schultz, Cynthia A.—W. Chicago, IL
To: St. Paul's—Columbus, OH

Schultz, Kathleen A.—Morrison, WI
To: St. Paul's—Hopkins, WI

Schumann, Gina—Duluth, MN
To: Lola Park—Detroit, MI

Seeklander, Linda G.—Hazelton, ND
To: Grace—Oshkosh, WI

Seevers, Cynthia S.—Waukesha, WI
To: Immanuel—Waukegan, IL

Stelling, Nancy J.—Millville, MN
To: Our Savior—Jacksonville, FL

Troge, Gretchen L.—Appleton, WI
To: St. Paul—Van Dyne, WI

Ungemach, Kristina M.—Kenosha, WI
To: St. John—Wrightstown, WI

Vincent, Valerie J.—Neillsville, WI
To: Martin Luther—Neenah, WI

Weber, Cheryl K.—Inver Grove Hgts., MN
To: Immanuel—Willmar, MN

Westerhaus, Marianne E.—Mequon, WI
To: Peace—Green Lake, WI

Wondrash, Vicki L.—Green Bay, WI
To: Immanuel—Sault Ste. Marie, MI

Wood, Juliana R.—Kenosha, WI
To: Trinity—Bangor, MI

Zimmermann, Kathryn A.—Menomonee Falls, WI
To: Christ Our Redeemer—Denver, CO

Additional Graduates

Bittorf, Lasea D.—Balaton, MN

Buchholz, Jeanne—Hartford, MI

Cross, Margo—Woodruff, WI

Dais, Marilyn J.—Mayville, WI

Eckley, Peggy Rae—Two Rivers, WI

Engel, Joan—New Ulm, MN

Essmann, Rhoda—Waterloo, WI

Friske, Denise A.—Eau Claire, WI

Gepner, Monica Rae—Hartland, WI

Gutknecht, Claudia—Buffalo, MN

Haag, Catherine Ann—Waterloo, WI

Hadler, Karen—Bylas, AZ

Hirsch, Kristine Kay—New Ulm, MN

Klitzke, Sandra J.—Menomonee, MI

Koeplin, Cynthia Lee—Milwaukee, WI

Kollmeyer, Mary—Jacksonville, NC

Larsen, Mary—Green Bay, WI

Owens, Debra Lynn—Mankato, MN

Owens, Ramona Marie—Tacoma, WA

Pinske, Mona L.—Arlington, MN

Punke, Luann C.—Brookfield, WI

Reichel, Sharon—Madison, WI

Rhodes, Kay Ellen—Manistee, MI

Schmolesky, Debra Sue—N. Fond du Lac, WI

Schultz, Rebecca—Juneau, WI

Schumacher, Jodie E.—Arlington, VA

Sell, Karen A.—Ixonia, WI

Siegler, Marilyn—Sodus, MI

Sixel, Denise V.—Newton, WI

Steinbach, Margo D.—Weyauwega, WI

Walker, Julia—Phoenix, AZ

Woldt, Lori Lynn—Milwaukee, WI

Wrobel, Cheryl L.—La Crosse, WI

Good Shepherd at West Bend Dedicates New Church

For many months the members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of West Bend, Wisconsin, were eagerly observing the construction of their new facilities at Decorah Road and Indiana Avenue. To celebrate the long-awaited completion, a joyful festival of dedication was held on Sunday, April 29, 1979. The event was celebrated with dedication services in the morning and a service of praise and thanksgiving in the afternoon. Pastor of the congregation is the Reverend Larry L. Pautz.

The new facility includes a worship area, expanded educational wings, and a gymnasium. The Lord has given Good Shepherd's these latest blessings to keep up with the blessing of rapid growth. The congregation's need for space had increased dramatically since 1950, when it began holding services at

the Barton Fire Hall. The first service was attended by 41 persons, and today's membership stands at 1,170 baptized members. Formally organized as a mission in 1951, Good Shepherd Congregation dedicated its first chapel in 1954 and added a Christian day school in 1963. The school began with an enrollment of 55 and a staff of two. It has now grown to 236 children taught by nine teachers.

Good Shepherd Congregation recognized its need to expand in 1975 and on October 21 of that year chose a committee of nine, headed by Richard Techtmann. Ground was broken on February 12, 1978. After razing the old chapel in June 1978, the congregation held services in the new gymnasium.

The general theme of the building project was *The Good Shepherd*. A rus-

tic, rough-hewn design was selected for the chancel furniture which portrays *The Shepherd and His Flock* in word and wood carvings. "I am the Door . . ." is the Scripture statement on the door-header in the vestibule. The carving on the face of the altar depicts "I lay down My Life for the Sheep." The passage and picture on the pulpit is "My Sheep hear My Voice . . ." and the baptismal font reads, ". . . He shall gather the Lambs with His Arm. . . ." The rough-hewn, free-standing cross can be placed in two chancel locations and has interchangeable panels with fitting messages for the church year.

The chancel area is designed to represent a sheepfold. The communion rail is located to the side so that it does not obstruct the worshiper's vision. The altar allows the pastor to minister from the front or rear. The unique hexagonal shape of the church affords a closeness between the nave and chancel area so that no worshiper is more than 55 feet from the altar.

The ultimate potential of the

Canvass in Englewood, Florida

"Are you sure you're not brainwashed? Are you sure you're not being forced to do this against your will?"

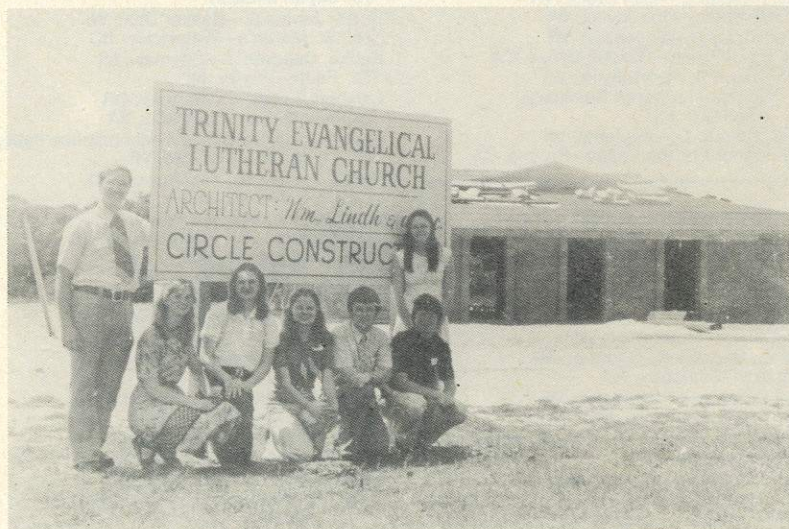
"Thank you for stopping by. You've just made my day!"

"Are we active members of a church? We sure are! Which one? Ah . . . just a minute. I've got to ask my wife."

Knocking on doors and sharing the Savior with those who don't know him is far from boring. The above quotations are responses a team of six students from Dr Martin Luther College heard over Holy Week while canvassing for Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church of Englewood, Florida, and witnessing for the Savior.

Trinity decided to invite a team of canvassers to spend a week in the Englewood/ Venice area in an attempt to introduce itself to the community of which it will soon be a part. Trinity's first worship facility, located between Englewood and Venice, is about half completed.

Basically, the canvassers' purpose



Pastor Adermann and DMLC Student Canvassers

was to determine the spiritual needs of the congregation's new neighborhood and to impress on the community Trinity's strong desire to meet those needs. At the same time the canvassers tried to identify families which didn't know the marvelous message of Easter so the

congregation might be used by the Lord to share the Savior with them.

Over 1,400 homes were visited in an area that is quickly developing from palmetto palm scrub to lush lawn. Our count shows that 883 people were found at home. Not everyone answered

church basement includes four classrooms, instructional materials center/library, office and storage areas. At present materials have been purchased for the completion of two classrooms. The lower level contains a gymnasium with a playing floor 42 x 74. This gymnasium/multipurpose area is designed adequately to serve the congregation's foreseeable needs for fellowship meetings, athletic events and the hot-lunch program. Members of the congregation donated many hours in assisting on the project.

The completion of these new facilities does not mean the work is finished. In dedicating this building of wood, stone and mortar, we are dedicating ourselves to continuing the Lord's work. This building, besides being a symbol of our faith and love, will enable us to further our efforts in ministering to people with the saving gospel of Jesus Christ.

Robert Rhyne, Member
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

all of the questions we asked. Some were busy. Some didn't want to be bothered. But of the people that answered our questions, 71.3 percent said they were active church members. Unfortunately, 22 percent of those people told us they worship only twice a year or less.

Even more unfortunate, many of the people interviewed did not know what the purpose of the Lord's church is. Only a few more than half (55.6 percent) thought the church has a religious purpose. What is even more distressing is that only 23.5 percent of the people who were asked, "Why are you certain of going to heaven?" told us it was because Jesus was their Savior.

Trinity is very grateful that our Synod has a Traveling Canvass/Witness program that made it possible for a team of college-age canvassers to come to Englewood. It is also thankful for the six fine young Christians, all of them future teachers, who so willingly gave up their Easter vacation to serve the Savior. Such help means that Trinity is better able to carry out the Savior's command to witness the "good news" of eternal life in its community.

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Direct from the Districts

SOUTH ATLANTIC
Reporter Edward Schuppe

Learning to Minister to Young Christians

Thirteen persons interested in improving their ministry to the young Christians under their care gathered at Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, St. Petersburg, Florida, on Saturday, May 5, 1979. They attended the first youth leaders' seminar of the South Atlantic District, conducted by the Youth Division of the District's Board for Parish Education. The participants, a mixture of pastors and lay people, represented about a third of the district's congregations.

The seminar tackled two phases of youth ministry. The first, organizing a congregation's approach to youth ministry, emphasized the importance of formulating overall objectives and goals for meeting the spiritual needs of young people. The second phase was a discussion of techniques for teaching Scripture truths to Christian teens. The participants were given opportunity to observe and take part in a workshop on teaching techniques.

The seminar also attempted to provide a forum for the youth leaders to share avenues of ministry to young people that they had found "road-worthy." This stress on exchanging ideas and insights proved to be one of the seminar's strengths.



Pastor Kleist at Seminar

The topics were presented by two pastors from the South Atlantic District. Pastor Dennis Kleist presented the material on education. Pastor James Aderman led the youth ministry organization discussion.

MICHIGAN
Reporter Edward Schaeewe

St. Mark's of Flat Rock Observes 25th Anniversary

A cold, windy day marked the 25th anniversary observance of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Flat Rock, Michigan, on March 11, 1979. Pastor Robert Mueller, 1st vice-president of the Michigan District, who served the congregation from 1957 to 1962, was guest speaker at the two morning services. He used John 1:29 to point out that the Lamb of God was and is the center of the celebration. With the theme "Now Thank We All Our God" as the keynote, an afternoon service of thanksgiving was held, with Pastor Edwin Schmelzer as guest speaker. Pastor Schmelzer served St. Mark's as its first pastor from 1954 to 1957. He spoke on 1 Samuel 7:12, encouraging the congregation to remember God's help on its Silver Anniversary.

St. Mark's was begun in 1954 as a dual parish with Faith Lutheran Church of Newport, north of Monroe, Michigan, and remained such until 1962. The first service at St. Mark's was held on March 7, 1954, in a vacated funeral home, with Pastor Schmelzer preaching to a group of 21. This building served as St. Mark's home for 41 months and saw the Sunday-school enrollment grow from five to 60, and the congregation from eight communicants to 56. Land was purchased in March 1955 and the first service held in the new church building on

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St. Mark's at Flat Rock

St. Mark's (continued)

August 4, 1957. A parsonage was dedicated on October 4, 1964, during the pastorate of Rev. Fred Schroeder, who served St. Mark's from 1963 until his death on February 25, 1968. Rev. Edgar Herman arrived in the summer of 1968.

Communicants today number 240, with 341 baptized members. The congregation is making a concentrated effort to reach out into the community by means of vacation Bible school, door-hanger distributions and house-to-house canvassing.

St. Mark's is grateful to God for allowing his Word to be preached in their midst for the past quarter century and asks his continued guidance upon their efforts to spread the gospel beyond the confines of their church door.

Ground Broken at Peace Lutheran of Otsego

At a special service, held on May 6, 1979 and conducted by Pastor Jeff Hopf, Peace Ev. Lutheran Congregation of Otsego, Michigan, assembled to break ground for its new house of worship.



Participants in Groundbreaking

The ceremony, based on the sermon text, John 10:16, "One Flock with One Shepherd," began at a 9:30 a.m. service at the church and later shifted to the new 12-acre building site just south of the city of Otsego, on Wilmott Street. Work has now begun on phase I of a three-phase program — church, school and parsonage.

The general contractor is Robert Rogien of Eau Claire, Michigan. Part of the labor is being furnished by the members of the congregation under the direction of Mr. Rogien and the congregation's building chairman, Keith Kling. The Lutheran Association for

Church Extension is funding most of the project.

It is truly marvelous how God, in his infinite wisdom, guided a few Lutheran families to settle in the Otsego area and to spread the gospel until the time was right to organize a Lutheran congregation, and then continued to bless the congregation's efforts in spreading that gospel. We praise God for the growth with which we have been blessed and for the privilege of breaking ground for our second house of worship in 23 years.

Gerald H. Eckert

MINNESOTA Reporter Del Begalka

Northernmost Minnesota Mission Learns About World Missions

Our Synod's northernmost congregation in Minnesota, St. Mark's in Bemidji, used Sunday, May 20, to study "Bringing Christ to the Nations through Word and Sacraments," a theme carried out in decorations and displays throughout the church.

The day's activities began with a special Communion service in which Pastor Paul Lehninger spoke to the congregation on "The Holy One of Israel is My Savior" (Isaiah 12). Pastor Lehninger had just returned from a year's work in Gravatai, Brazil. The instrumental and vocal music presented by the congregation's youth fellowship and Sunday-school choir also emphasized world missions. Following a noon potluck, Pastor Lehninger also presented a slide lecture on his work in Brazil. Closing the day's activities was a showing of the film, "By You into Spain," a presentation of the Synod's mission work among the Spanish-speaking people in this country and in South and Central America.



Pastors Lehninger and Grubbs and Sunday school choir

It was a very special day for the members of St. Mark's as they learned of their privilege to take part in the vital work of missions by prayer, offerings and personal evangelism. St. Mark's is a mission congregation founded in 1972 and now numbers 80 souls. Rev. M. S. Grubbs is pastor of the congregation.

WESTERN WISCONSIN Reporter Harold Sturm

Mrs. Frieda Pankow Dies

Mrs. Frieda Pankow, nee Henning, the widow of Pastor Herman Pankow, died on April 17, 1979, at her home in Winona, Minnesota. Born in Carlton, Michigan, on July 22, 1890, she was married to Pastor Pankow on August 22, 1918. Together they served the Lord's people at Greenwood, Michigan, and the following posts in Wisconsin: the dual parish at Warrens and Shennington; the dual parish at Indian Creek and Hustler; the triparish, Beyers Settlement, Iron Creek and Poplar Creek; St. Paul's in Menomonie; and the dual parish at Woodville and HERSHEY. Her husband died on Christmas eve 1968.

Mrs. Pankow's funeral was conducted at Goodview Trinity, Winona, Minnesota, on April 21, 1979, by Pastor John Nolte. Pastor Larry Zessin officiated at the burial in Menomonie, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Pankow is survived by one son, one daughter, six grandchildren, two brothers, and one sister. May they remember that Christ comforts his own with the words, "In my Father's house are many mansions"!

Church Dedicated in Beloit After 20 Years in a Chapel/School

On April 1, 1979, Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church, Beloit, Wisconsin, dedicated a new house of worship.

In the morning service, 310 members and friends of Good Shepherd heard Rev. Roland C. Hillemann, the first pastor to serve at Good Shepherd, bring God's Word to them from Genesis 28:16,17. Using the theme, "The Glory of This House," he reminded the worshipers that everything to be accomplished in this house of God was to be done to God's glory.

Rev. Norman Berg, the executive secretary of the Synod's General Board for Home Missions, served as the guest speaker in the afternoon. Using Matthew 21:1-9 as the text for his message, he urged 263 Christians to "Welcome the King to His House." Just as the people welcomed Christ the King and placed branches and cloaks along the way on that first Palm Sunday, so too is Christ to be welcomed by those who today gather in his house to worship him.

Good Shepherd was organized in 1957. In the spring of 1959 a school building was dedicated to "feed his lambs." This building also served as the chapel for the "sheep of Christ's flock" for the past 20 years.

The new house of worship contains approximately 4,700 square feet and has an upper and lower level. Along with the worship area, which seats 265, there are an office and a sacristy in the upper level. The lower level serves as a fellowship facility.

The members of Good Shepherd are very grateful to the members of the Wisconsin Synod who through their



Good Shepherd Church at Beloit, Wisconsin

gifts to the CEF made this new house of worship a reality for them. Also to be mentioned are the many donations from friends of the congregation and the many hours of volunteer labor donated by the members.

Good Shepherd prays that this new house of worship will be a tool to bring God's saving message to those in the community who still have not heard the joyous gospel.

Pastor Steven Ehlke

A Major Convention Issue

At each convention of the Synod a major item of business is the adoption of a budget for the two years following. This year's convention — meeting at Northwestern College/Preparatory School, August 1-8 — will be asked to approve a budget of \$11.8 million for the first year and \$12.7 million for the second year of the biennium.

But for the first time in recent history, the convention will be asked to approve a budget which is not balanced in either of the two years. The budget will not technically be balanced until the fifth year of a six-year budget cycle. You should know why this is so.

The Coordinating Council is responsible for recommending to the Synod a balanced work program represented by a budget which the Board of Trustees must approve for "fiscal soundness." The problems which confronted the Coordinating Council this year were not common ones. One figure will make this clear. The initial requests from the five divisions of the Synod's work for the 1979-80 fiscal year exceeded antic-

ipated budget subscriptions by about \$2.3 million!

Why this sudden and dramatic increase in expenditures? First of all, a new academy is opening its doors this fall — Martin Luther Preparatory School at Prairie du Chien, Wis. To that you add the 10 missionaries authorized by the 1977 convention. All 10 are in the budget for a full year for the first time. For all these years our mission in Colombia was funded by an anonymous gift. The money has now run out and the full cost is in the budget. And finally, the ravages of inflation. Without inflation, the total of the other three is over \$1 million. One is almost tempted to say that all things considered the initial budget was not all that badly out of shape!

The first step the Coordinating Council took was to cut out of the initial budget all expanded or new programs — just "hold the line" without adding anything. After this was done, there was still a shortfall of \$1.1 million. Next the Coordinating Council

asked all divisions to cut back the "hold the line" budget by five percent. Included in the cuts is the recommendation to close Northwestern Lutheran Academy at Mobridge, South Dakota, at the end of this school year. But with all these cuts, there was still a shortfall of \$800,000 for the first year and about \$150,000 for the second year.

Now if the budget was to be perfectly balanced, only two things were possible. One, raise budget subscriptions by 35 percent in 1980. No one thought that was anchored in reality. The second possibility was to make further cuts, massive cuts, such as closing another prep school, recalling world missionaries (after all you save \$30,000 for each one recalled!), reducing sharply the number of home mission openings, and eliminating the Synod's group health insurance plan. Only by cuts of this magnitude could the budget be balanced in one year.

There was a third alternative alive
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also. Rejecting the first two — which at first seemed the only ones — the Council chose the third. The third alternative is a carefully planned six-year budget cycle over the course of which the budgetary deficit is liquidated gradually and realistically. It spreads the impact of the immediate budget demands beyond the biennium. It is designed to look at long-term trends (rather than short-term trends) with respect both to expenditures and to budget subscriptions. This kind of budget PRE-acts rather than RE-acts. Temporary deficits can be tolerated if the red ink begins to turn black beyond the biennium. Year-end balances are not treated as "one-year bonuses" to be used to fund new programs without regard to long-term implications.

The budget cycle is comprehensive. It includes all foreseeable building programs for the next six years with amortization scheduled without a capital fund offering. While it does not permit the insertion of new programs in the next three fiscal years, it does include a substantial inflationary factor. And last of all, it is flexible. It can and will be monitored and re-evaluated

each year by the Coordinating Council and the Board of Trustees and subject to convention scrutiny every two years.

In approving the six-year budget, the Board of Trustees pointed out that "its success assumes and depends upon a total increase of \$3 million in budget subscriptions during the next two calendar years." This will necessitate "a very concentrated Synod-wide stewardship program aimed not merely at increasing Synod offerings a few percentage points each year, but rather in lifting our Synod, under God, to a new level of offerings for Synodical purposes."

"Admittedly the course before us," the trustees said, "is not an easy one. It requires our earnest prayers, a special measure of God's grace, and the consecrated effort of the entire Synod. But can't we count on all of these? Added to this is the certain knowledge that the Lord has given our people the financial means to fund the program laid before us. May he also move us to dedicate a greater portion of those means to the extension of his Kingdom!"

And that's about as well said as it can be said!

James P. Schaefer

THE FORTY-FIFTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

The Forty-fifth Biennial Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod will be held, God willing, August 1-8, 1979, at Northwestern College and Preparatory School, Watertown, Wisconsin.

The opening service with Holy Communion will be held Wednesday, August 1, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, North Sixth and Jones Streets. President Oscar J. Naumann will preach the sermon. The closing service will be held Tuesday, August 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, 601 S. Fourth Street. Professor Carl J. Lawrenz will deliver the sermon.

The opening session will be held Wednesday, August 1, at 2:00 p.m. in the gymnasium of the college. Delegates are asked to arrive early enough so they will have time to register before the beginning of the opening session. Registration will be made in the lobby of the gymnasium.

The theme of the convention is "I KNOW WHOM I HAVE BELIEVED." Prof. Richard Balge will read an essay entitled "I know WHOM I have believed." Prof. Armin Panning will read an essay entitled "I KNOW whom I have believed."

Housing for the delegates will be provided in the dormitories of the college. Detailed instructions regarding travel and housing will be mailed to each delegate.

Meals will be served to all bona fide delegates in the college cafeteria. Meal tickets will also be available to visitors at nominal rates.

Mail sent to delegates during the convention should be addressed in care of Northwestern College, 1300 Western Avenue, Watertown, Wisconsin 53094. Delegates can be reached by telephone by calling 1-(414)-261-4352.

Associations or organizations within the Synod planning displays for the convention should submit detailed plans (together with handout material) to the Praesidium well in advance of the convention.

Heinrich J. Vogel, Secretary

LIST OF VOTING DELEGATES TO THE 45TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE WISCONSIN EV. LUTHERAN SYNOD

Watertown, Wisconsin, August 1-8, 1979

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Apache Black Canyon	Mr. R. E. Schlittenhart Mr. Richard B. Miller	Grace, Casa Grande AZ Good Shepherd, Phoenix AZ Peace, Santa Clara CA	Dennis W. Meier William O. Bein Philip Koelpin Armin K. E. Keibel William H. Wietzke Marcus C. Nitz Lowell K. Smith	James Opitz Dale Schaumberg Mark P. Sprengler
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Conference	Lay Delegates	DAKOTA-MONTANA DISTRICT Congregations	Pastors	Teachers
Alberta-Montana Eastern	Douglas Martz Bernard Moeller Harold Dorn	Mountain View, Great Falls MT Mt. Calvary, Estelline SD Trinity, Hendricks MN	John M. Engel Paul A. Stuebs Gilbert C. Bunde	
Western	James Taecker Robert Ernst Arthur Sievert Walter Meyer	Our Savior, South Shore SD First English, Dupree SD Our Savior, Bismarck ND Trinity, Flasher ND	Arthur P. C. Kell David A. Krenke	Alan L. Jeffers
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No. 1	Eric Schleaf	Grace, Durand MI	Herbert A. Birner	Philip Kuske
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No. 3	Leslie Lusk	St. Paul, Ottawa ONT	James F. Rockhoff	Ronald Zahn
No. 4	Ben Inoshita	Good Shepherd, Randolph NJ	John R. Mittelstaedt	James Haferman
No. 5	Charles Richter	Good Shepherd, Midland MI	John C. Seifert	Jerold Meier
No. 6		Christ, Saginaw MI	Robert A. Bitter	Robert M. Schroer
No. 7	Charles Gilboe	St. John, Ann Arbor MI	Lyle Hallauer	William H. Kruck
No. 8	Walter Ash	St. Paul, Livonia MI	Gregory P. Lenz	David R. Golisch
No. 9	Fred Schulz	Emanuel Redeemer, Yale MI	John A. Henderson	
No. 10	Reynold Kontak	Apostles, Toledo OH	Kenneth W. Strack	
No. 11	John Schneider	Peace, New Carlisle OH	Kurt Grunewald	
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No. 13	Leland Nicol	St. Paul, Stevensville MI	Robert G. Johnston	
No. 14	Albert W. Meyers	Good Shepherd, Girard OH	Harry K. Bartels	

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Conference	Lay Delegates	Congregations	Pastors
Crow River	Walter Goetsch Harold Smith Phil Carlberg Julius Sorgatz	Bethany, Clinton MN St. Peter, Darwin MN Mt. Olive, Delano MN Emmanuel, Owatonna MN	Gerhard W. Birkholz Perley R. Kurth
Mankato			Wernor E. Wagner Reuben O. Reimers Thomas Henning Howard E. Russow Randall L. Kuznicki Gerhard A. Horn
New Ulm	Marvin Henning	Zion, Morgan MN	
Red Wing	Gilbert Stelling George Schumacher Paul Plitzuweit Willard Sather Gary Barber John Jesse Carl Ave Lallemand Robert Rockel Thomas Krueger Herbert Wagenknecht Harold G. Just Philip Dirksen Robert Baccus	Trinity, Millville MN Immanuel, La Crescent MN St. John, Caledonia MN Zion, Morton MN Bethany, Granite Falls MN St. John, Minneapolis MN Christ, North St. Paul MN Grace, South St. Paul MN Trinity, St. Paul MN Divinity, St. Paul MN Timothy, St. Louis Park MN Gethsemane, Mason City IA Lincoln Heights, Des Moines IA	John D. Miller David D. Meyer Marvin H. Hanke Reinhart E. Bittorf Edgar A. Knief Martin L. Schwartz Richard P. Stadler
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St. Croix			
Southern			Carlton H. Palenske
DMLC/MLA			Prof. Theodore J. Hartwig Prof. Robert Krueger
NEBRASKA DISTRICT			
Conference	Lay Delegates	Congregations	Pastors
Central	Lyle Marotz	Trinity, Hoskins NE	Richard B. Schlieve
Colorado	Arlyn Lawrence John Hoffmann Darrel Pochop Frank V. Gubser Robert C. Richert Joseph Patterson Wayne Schroeder	Prince of Peace, Salt Lake City UT Zion, Ft. Morgan CO Zion, Colome SD St. Paul, Broken Bow NE St. Paul, Gresham NE Redeemer, Hastings NE Christ, Beatrice NE	Ronald N. Kaiser
Rosebud			Charles L. Iles, Sr.
Southern			Paul S. Soukop Kenneth E. Bode
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Conference	Lay Delegates	Congregations	Pastors
Fox River Valley	Melvin Roebke Reginald Draheim Eric Melso Walter Wolfgram Sidney Corbisier Donald Timm Roger Kirchenwitz Harry Laack Wallace Polzin Lewis Meunier Alan Stegemann Frederick Strutz Charles W. Hansen Edmund Dobberpuhl Norman Held Ervin Roehl Arthur Hungerford Charles Zemlock Herman Nimmer Jack Frank Robert Mateske Garrett Kroon Clarence Prochnow	St. John, Wrightstown WI St. Mark, Green Bay WI Riverview, Appleton WI St. John, Sturgeon Bay WI Salem, Sturgeon Bay WI Trinity, Appleton WI St. Paul, Zachow WI St. Paul, Greenleaf WI St. John, Peshtigo WI St. John, Peshtigo WI St. John, Two Rivers WI St. John, Two Creeks WI Zion, Kiel WI Zion, Morrison WI Christ, Eagle River WI Trinity, Campbellsport WI St. Peter, Fond du Lac WI Trinity, Neenah WI St. Paul, Winneconne WI Mt. Zion, Ripon WI St. John, Montello WI St. Paul, Manchester WI St. John, Markesan WI	Wallace E. Gaulke Lyle J. Koenig Joel Ph. Sauer John P. Schewe Philip W. Geiger
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Rhineland			
Winnebago			
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Conference	Lay Delegates	Congregations	Pastors
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South Central	Donald T. Daley Kurt Holtermann Theodore Willems	Ocean Drive, Pompano Beach FL Cutler Ridge, Cutler Ridge FL Trinity, Abita Springs LA	Victor W. Thierfelder John P. Huebner Rodney G. Busch
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Conference	Lay Delegates	Congregations	Pastors
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 Gerhardt Kirschke, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin

1 Layman
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 Robert Henken, Juneau, Wisconsin

1 Layman

Arnold Schumann, incumbent, Watertown, Wisconsin
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 Richard Abendroth, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

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1 Layman
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 Philip Carlberg, Delano, Minnesota

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1 Teacher
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 Paul Zimmermann, Lake City, Minnesota

1 Layman
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**NOMINATIONS MADE BY
 THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

of the WELS for the
 Forty-Fifth Convention, August 1-8, 1979

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Pastor Walter F. Beckmann, Annandale, VA
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 Pastor Raymond H. Zimmermann, incumbent, Glendale, AZ

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 Pastor William A. Meier, incumbent, Phoenix, AZ
 Pastor Daniel D. Pautz, Tempe, AZ

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Mr. Robert Griebe, incumbent, Bradenton, FL
 Mr. Robert Stohr, Brookings, SD
 Mr. Kenneth Westland, Davenport, IA

Executive Committee for the Lutheran Church of Central Africa, Layman

Dr. Carleton Kom, Aberdeen, SD
 Dr. Norman H. Schulz, incumbent, Beaver Dam, WI
 Dr. D. Witte, South Haven, MI

Executive Committee for the Lutheran Ev. Christian Church in Japan, Pastor

Pastor Larry G. Ellenberger, Manitowoc, WI
 Pastor Henry T. Peter, Sodus, MI
 Pastor Thomas C. Pfotenhauer, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

Executive Committee for Southeast Asian Missions, Layman

Mr. James Haag, Muskego, WI
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 Teacher Kurt Troge, Jacksonville, FL
 Teacher Theodore Zuberbier, incumbent, Milwaukee, WI

Special Ministries Board, Layman

Mr. Oscar Bartels, Two Rivers, WI
 Mr. Steve Randell, Sioux Falls, SD
 Mr. Wayne Wiechmann, incumbent, Milwaukee, WI

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 Prof. Armin J. Panning, Mequon, WI

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 Mr. Fredrick Kaping, Beaver Dam, WI
 Mr. Duane Kuehl, incumbent, Brown Deer, WI

NEW WELS CHURCHES

Names Requested

In recent months the Wisconsin Synod began work in the states and cities listed below. Please send all names of members who moved into the general area of these cities, as well as names of people who may be interested in a Wisconsin Synod mission, to:

WELS MEMBERSHIP CONSERVATION
3512 W. North Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53208

Names as well as pertinent information regarding members referred will be forwarded to the nearest pastor and/or mission board chairman.

Alaska	Sitka/Ketchikan*
Arizona	Deer Valley*
Arkansas	Sierra Vista
California	Little Rock
	Chula Vista
	Placer County
	Santa Clarita
	Santa Maria
Connecticut	Trumbull
Florida	Ft. Walton Beach*
	Leesburg
	Melbourne*
	Zephyrhills
Georgia	Augusta
Illinois	Decatur*
	Effingham*
	Wheeling*
Indiana	Muncie*
	Warsaw*
Iowa	Clinton
Kansas	Salina
	Topeka*
Louisiana	Baton Rouge*
Michigan	Big Rapids
	Imlay City
	Mt. Pleasant
	Perry/Laignsburg*
Minnesota	Fairmont
	Fergus Falls*
	Northfield*
	Plymouth/Maple Grove
Missouri	Joplin*
Montana	Helena*
Nebraska	Fremont
	O'Neill
New Mexico	Gallup*
North Carolina	Asheville*
North Dakota	Jamestown
Ohio	N.W. Dayton*
	Strongsville
Oklahoma	E. Oklahoma City*
Pennsylvania	Harrisburg
South Carolina	Greenville*
South Dakota	Hot Springs
Texas	E. El Paso*
	Midland/Odessa*
	Wichita Falls
West Virginia	Beckley
	Charleston*
	Cottage Grove*
Wisconsin	Galesville
	Genesee/Wales
	Holmen
	Plymouth
	Prairie du Chien
	Rice Lake
British Columbia	Vancouver*
Ontario	W. Ottawa
	Toronto*

*Denotes exploratory services.

EXPLORATORY

COTTAGE GROVE, WISCONSIN

Exploratory services are being held in the village hall at Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Please send the names of people who should be informed about our services to: Pastor Gerhard Haag, Rt. 2, Box 118, Waterloo, Wisconsin 53594, or call 414/648-5205.

TOPEKA, KANSAS

Because of the fine growth which only the Lord could give, exploratory services have moved to a larger auditorium at the YWCA at 225 W. 12th St., Topeka, Kansas. Divine worship is at 3:00 p.m. and Sunday school at 4:00 p.m. Please submit names of WELS people and other interested parties in the Topeka, Lawrence, Manhattan area to Pastor Paul S. Soukup, 9530 Perry Lane, Overland Park, Kansas 66212; phone: 913/888-6293, or to Pastor John Schneider, 5211 W. 76th St., Prairie Village, Kansas 66208, phone 913/381-7510.

TIME AND PLACE

COMING TO THE MOUNTAIN STATE?

The WELS has two places to worship in West Virginia. Good Shepherd in Beckley worships at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday, with Sunday school and Bible study at 10:15 a.m., at The Rural Acres Garden Club, 512 Rural Acres Drive. Shepherd of the Valley in Charleston worships at 3:30 p.m. every Sunday, with Sunday school and Bible study at 4:30 p.m., at The University of Charleston Chapel (formerly Morris Harvey College), MacCorkle Avenue. For more information, contact Pastor Robert Hoepner, Box 601, Beckley, West Virginia 25801; phone: 304/252-5820.

ALEXANDRIA/FERGUS FALLS, MINNESOTA

If you are visiting Alexandria or Fergus Falls, Minnesota, this summer, note the following changes. During the summer months St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Alexandria, will conduct its Sunday service at 9:00 a.m. Exploratory services in Fergus Falls will begin at 11:30 a.m.

WORSHIP IN LOG CABIN

The Wisconsin Synod's only log-cabin church, St. Paul's of Tipler, Wisconsin, invites you to join in worship any Sunday at 11:00 a.m. St. Paul's is located one block south of Hwy 70 on Dream Lake Road, behind Big Howie's Store & Cafe in downtown Tipler. For more information contact Pastor T. Trapp, 421 4th Street, Stambaugh, Michigan 49964; phone: 906/265-3665.

ONTARIO, CANADA

Divine Word Lutheran Church, the WELS mission in Nepean, Ontario, Canada, has moved its place of worship to Larkin House, Larkin Drive, Barrhaven (Nepean), Ontario, Canada. Time of service remains 10:30 EST. Pastor of the congregation is Rev. A. L. Lindke.

ADDRESSES

(Submitted through the District Presidents)

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90 E. Second St.
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

INSTALLATIONS

(Authorized by the District Presidents)

Pastors:

Kirchner, William C., as pastor of Grace, Ringle, Wisconsin, on June 2, 1979, by M. Schlenger (WW).

Schulz, Dale R., as associate pastor of Grace, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, on May 20, 1979, by C. Koepsell (NW).

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

MINNESOTA

CROW RIVER PASTOR-TEACHER DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: July 18, 1979; 9:30 a.m. Communion service.
Place: St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Alexandria, Minnesota; G. Griep, host pastor.
Agenda: Discussion of the *Book of Reports and Memorials*; Conference Business.
Note: Please send all excuses to the host pastor.
J. V. Moldenhauer, Secretary

MANKATO DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: July 15, 1979; 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Place: St. Mark Ev. Lutheran Church, Mankato, Minnesota; M. Birkholz, host pastor.
Agenda: Discussion of *Book of Reports and Memorials*.
W. E. Wagner, Secretary

SOUTH ATLANTIC

TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Date: August 14-15, 1979; 8:30 a.m.
Place: Peace Lutheran, Holiday, Florida.
Agenda: Practical Application of the Seventh Commandment to the Lives of Our Pupils; R. Warning; Confidentiality as Practiced by the Christian Day School Teacher; P. Jacobs; A Discussion of a Portion of *The Proper Distinction Between Law and Gospel* (Dr. C. F. Walther); D. Needham; My Favorite (offering everyone an opportunity to share an idea on a designated topic); Reports; Business Meeting.
L. Gieschen, Secretary

WESTERN WISCONSIN

CENTRAL PASTOR-DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: July 10, 1979; 9:00 a.m.
Place: Peace Ev. Lutheran, Sun Prairie, Wisconsin; A. Laper, host pastor.
Agenda: *Book of Reports and Memorials*; Conference Business.
P. Ziemer, Secretary

APPOINTMENTS

Rev. Mark Lenz, to the District Commission on Evangelism, succeeding Rev. William Russow, who accepted a call to another district.

Rev. Julius Wille, to the District Nominating Committee, succeeding Rev. William Russow.

Carl H. Mischke, President
Western Wisconsin District

UW-OSHKOSH ALUMNI

In conjunction with the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the dedication of Wisconsin Lutheran Campus House, the present students are attempting to locate as many of the UW-O alumni as possible who were active in the campus ministry, even those active before the student center was purchased. Complete information will be mailed to all who send their names and current addresses to:

Wisconsin Lutheran Campus House
634 Wisconsin Street
Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901

FALL PASTORS' INSTITUTE

The 1979 Pastors' Institute at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary will be held, God willing, on five Monday afternoons beginning October 1. The time is from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The place is the multipurpose room in the lower level of the Seminary library. The topics will be:
An Evaluation of Walther's Theses of 1852 and 1866, Prof. Carl Lawrenz.

The Shaping of Lutheranism in America in This Century, Prof. Edward Fredrich.

The registration fee is \$7.50. Registrations are to be sent to President Armin W. Schuetze, 11831 N. Seminary Dr. 65W, Mequon, WI 53092.

Pastor Paul A. Manthey, Secretary
Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
Board of Control

Treasurer's Report

PREBUDGET SUBSCRIPTION PERFORMANCE

Five months ended May 31, 1979

	Subscription Amount for 1979	5/12 of Annual Subscription	Subscription and Pension Offerings	Per Cent of Subscription
Arizona-California	\$ 520,133	\$ 216,722	\$ 215,899	99.6
Dakota-Montana	259,965	108,319	92,165	85.1
Michigan	1,378,318	574,299	529,578	92.2
Minnesota	1,485,854	619,106	619,085	100.0
Nebraska	291,629	121,512	116,558	95.9
Northern Wisconsin	1,582,426	659,344	589,071	89.3
Pacific-Northwest	141,983	59,160	57,700	97.5
Southeastern Wisconsin	1,879,771	783,238	728,105	93.0
Western Wisconsin	1,780,763	741,985	721,542	97.2
South Atlantic	135,469	56,445	49,886	88.4
Total — 1979	<u>\$9,456,311</u>	<u>\$3,940,130</u>	<u>\$3,719,589</u>	<u>94.4</u>
Total — 1978	<u>\$8,810,655</u>	<u>\$3,671,106</u>	<u>\$3,671,090</u>	<u>100.0</u>

CURRENT BUDGETARY FUND

Statement of Income and Expenditures

Twelve months ended May 31, 1979 with comparative figures for 1978

Twelve months ended May 31

			Increase or Decrease*	
	1979	1978	Amount	Per Cent
Income				
Prebudget Subscription Offerings ..	\$ 9,122,541	\$8,662,233	\$ 460,308	5.3
Pension Plan Contributions	76,473	72,051	4,422	6.1
Gifts and Memorials	234,156	227,039	7,117	3.1
Bequests	150,014	103,026	46,988	45.6
Earnings from Fox Estate	66,553	66,545	8	—
Other Income	17,857	18,443	(586)	(3.2)
Transfers from Other Funds	112,097	132,593	(20,496)	(15.4)
Total Income	<u>\$ 9,779,691</u>	<u>\$9,281,930</u>	<u>\$ 497,761</u>	<u>5.4</u>
Expenditures:				
Worker-Training — Expenses	\$ 6,052,231	\$5,404,733	\$ 647,498	12.0
Worker-Training — Income	2,497,605	2,213,354	284,251	12.8
Worker-Training — Net	<u>\$ 3,554,626</u>	<u>\$3,191,379</u>	<u>\$ 363,247</u>	<u>11.4</u>
Home Missions	1,999,744	1,796,751	202,993	11.3
World Missions	1,900,952	1,438,689	462,263	32.1
Benevolences	1,084,817	1,044,196	40,621	3.9
Administration and Services	959,209	825,035	134,174	16.3
Total Operations	<u>\$ 9,499,348</u>	<u>\$8,296,050</u>	<u>\$1,203,298</u>	<u>14.5</u>
CEF — Interest Subsidy	777,444	677,990	99,454	14.7
Appropriations — Bldg. Funds	190,000	263,333	(73,333)	(27.8)
Total Expenditures	<u>\$10,466,792</u>	<u>\$9,237,373</u>	<u>\$1,229,419</u>	<u>13.3</u>
Operating Gain/Loss**	<u>\$ 687,101**</u>	<u>\$ 44,557</u>		

Norris Koopmann, Treasurer & Controller
 Norbert M. Manthe, Assistant Controller
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Note: Future cutoff dates of PBS receipts in the Synod's Post Office Lock Box are as follows:

For the month of

July
 August
 Sept.
 Oct.

Cutoff Date:

August 7
 Sept. 7
 Oct. 5
 Nov. 7

NOTICE

The next regular plenary session of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for July 30-31, 1979.

Business to be acted on is to be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Board, with copies to be furnished the Chairman of the Board, no later than ten days prior to the meeting date.

Norval W. Kock, Secretary
 Board of Trustees

AT MILWAUKEE

Are you planning to visit Milwaukee this summer? You are invited to tour Wisconsin Lutheran College Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in scheduling an evening or weekend tour, please contact the college.

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