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THE MASTER'S QUERY

Have you carried the living water
To the parched and thirsty soul?
Have you said to the sick and wounded,
"Christ Jesus makes thee whole?"

Have ye told my fainting children
Of the strength of the Father's hand?
Have ye guided the tottering footsteps
To the shore of the "golden strand?"

Have ye wept with the broken-hearted
In their agony of woe?
Ye might hear me whispering beside you,
" 'Tis the pathway I often go!"

My brethren, my friends, my disciples,
Can ye dare to follow me?
Then, wherever the Master dwelleth,
There shall the servant be!

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EDITORIAL

Church Contributions

A clergyman was called to the death-bed of a wealthy parishioner. Kneeling beside the dying man the pastor asked him to take his hand as he prayed for divine upholding in that solemn hour; the unhappy man, however, declined to do so. After the end had come the wealthy parishioner's hands were found to be holding a safe-key in their death-grip. His heart and hands to the very last moment upon earth were attached to his possessions, yet he could not take them into eternity. Having erected his foundation of happiness upon sand and having lived here on earth as though his journey through life would continue forever, he remained greedy and selfish to the end. Thus his soul entered eternity unprepared to meet God.

Greed and selfishness are destructive to faith, hope, and all spiritual life. True Christians avoid these vices and prove the sincerity of their faith by contributing of their worldly goods to the support of their needy neighbor and God's Church. Our 1929 statistics indicate that Lutheran deaf also show the fruits of their faith by giving of their means to the Church; yet, if you examine these statistics closely, you will find that there is still much room for improvement.

Most Christians need to be reminded again and again to use their money, not only for their own ease and pleasure, but in the service of God and humanity. Money has its place in every man's life, but it should not have the first place. To the Christian it should be only a means to an end, namely, to produce happiness. Lust for gold obstructs spiritual growth and development. While money may

control armies, its power is nevertheless sadly limited; it cannot create spiritual life nor save a man's soul.

Christians, who do not worship this idol, contribute with a cheerful heart of their means to material and spiritual needs, both close at hand and afar off. They realize that robbing God of His portion of their wages indicates lowness of nature. Unthankfulness is indeed a characteristic of a debased, selfish, and greedy humanity.

We are but stewards in handling our possessions and are responsible to God for the manner in which we administer His goods. God desires that we employ them increasingly to His glory and the neighbor's welfare.

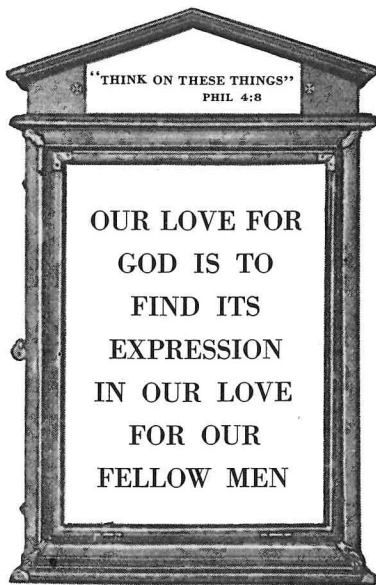
The Bible teaches that the rewards of giving are in proportion to our self-forgetfulness; cheerful giving brings to the giver generosity of soul and greatness of heart. True liberality is pleasing to God, whose spirit is the spirit of giving. He, who gave His only begotten Son to save stony-hearted monsters from hell and damnation, helps Christians to give with genuine love and joy.

If you are a sincere believer in Jesus Christ, your Savior, you will, therefore, support His Church with your gifts. Through the preaching of the Gospel the Church helps lost unhappy sinners to receive happiness and blessedness. It brings to them the comforts of God's Word in the trials and sorrows of this life and leads them to everlasting joys in heaven. Bringing Jesus to as many lost souls as possible in the few brief years of life is the greatest and most important work which men can do in this world. Be liberal, therefore, with your gifts to the Church. Give regularly and willingly to the spreading of the Gospel, which is the world's most important business. Jesus says: "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again." Matt. 7:2.

O. C. S.

WHY GO TO CHURCH?

Your conscience and reason tell you there is a God. This God has made Himself known in our Bible and commands you to worship and serve Him. He says: "Remember the Sab-



bath-day to keep it holy," Ex. 20, 10, and: "Teach all nations!" Matt. 28: 19. With these words He also commands, "Hear the Gospel!" If you do not attend church services you disobey God, you hinder the progress of His kingdom, you become a wanderer from His fold and a slacker in His cause. Your wicked example will also tempt others to do likewise.

By God's Word faith is kindled in your heart and a new life is begun, kept, and strengthened in you. Therefore: "He that is of God heareth God's Word." John 8: 47. Without God's Word, faith, love, and all spiritual life will decline.

God has given His dear Son into suffering and death to save you from your sins. He has furthermore commanded His Church to tell you about your salvation. Matt. 28: 19-20. There is no greater sin than disrespecting God's Word. 1 John 5: 10 we read: "He that believeth not God hath made Him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave His Son."

If you say that you are able to please God without attending the services in the church, you are making God a liar; for St. Paul says that we should "provoke (urge) one another unto love and good works, not forsaking (leav-

ing) the assembling of ourselves together." Heb. 10: 24-25.

Neglecting to attend church services is a grievous sin against God, your Maker and Savior. It leads to everlasting death. For the salvation of your own soul, therefore, and that of others you ought to attend services regularly. O. C. S.

STUDIES IN THE CHIEF TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE AND CATECHISM

Jesus Christ, True God .

God gave man His law and man broke the law, therefore all the world is guilty before God, also you and I, my friend. The chief question in this world therefore is: "What must I do to be saved?" And the only correct answer is: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." If we wish to be saved we must know Jesus Christ. Of His wonderful person and His great work let us now learn in these studies.

Jesus Christ, who is He? When He came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that Thou art John the Baptist; some Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets, Matth. 16, 13. 14. People had different ideas of this Christ, as we see it still to-day. Some say, that Jesus was a great teacher, others, that He was a very good man, and others, that He was a man with a wonderful character, and many other things they say of this Christ. But we shall learn that these people do not know Christ.

Who is Jesus Christ? The prophet in the Old Testament speaks of this Christ saying: "This is the name whereby He shall be called, the *Lord* our righteousness. You ask: "Do you mean to say that this Jesus who walked on this earth is the Lord God?" Yes, my friend, the Bible tells us this again and again. When the Babe of Bethlehem was born, the angel said to the shepherds: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior which is *Christ the Lord*," Luke 2, 11. And Thomas said to the Risen Lord Jesus: "My *Lord* and my *God*." John 20, 28. And Paul writes in Romans 9, 5: Christ came who is *over all*, God blessed forever. Amen." And John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, writes

of Him: "This is *the true God* and eternal life." 1 John 5, 20. And Jesus Himself said to Philip: He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father." John 14, 9. The Bible so plainly tells us: "Jesus is God." And still there are some who believe not that Jesus is true God. They do not believe the Bible. A true Christian therefore must say: "Jesus Christ is true God."

And our Catechism teaches the same. In the Second Article we confess: "And in *Jesus Christ*, His only Son, *our Lord*." And in the explanation of this article we read: "I believe that *Jesus Christ, true God*." In the fourth chief part, the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, we twice are taught to say: *Christ, our Lord*," and in the sixth chief part, the Sacrament of the Altar, "*Our Lord Jesus Christ*." In the Christian Questions the seventh question asks: "Who is Christ?" and then gives the answer, "The Son of God, true God and man." Here we again see that our Catechism teaches as the Bible teaches. A true Lutheran therefore confesses with His Bible and Catechism: "Jesus Christ is true God."

But it is not enough to say: "Jesus is Lord and God," but we should trust in this Lord Jesus Christ, the mighty Savior, and say with Thomas: "*My Lord and my God*," and with the explanation of the Second Article in our Catechism: "I believe that Jesus Christ, true God . . . is *my Lord*." Can you say this, my friend? O then you are truly blessed, for this mighty Jesus says: "He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life."

J. L. S.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY, 1930

"Jesus only"

It is Jesus only through whom we have salvation; it is Jesus only to whom we must give thanks for this great salvation and many other blessings; Jesus only should live in our hearts, and He does that by faith; and for Jesus only and His coming in glory we now wait. May you always see "Jesus only"! And may these Bible Studies lead you to Him and keep you with Him unto the day of His glorious coming in the clouds of heaven.

Study for Sunday, February 2

*"The gift of God is eternal life
through Jesus Christ our Lord."*

Romans 6, 23

In your Bible read Luke 17, 7-10

Even then when a man gives no offence and forgives him who sins against him, even then he has only done his duty, and cannot expect heaven for it. This Jesus makes plain to us to-day.

If you have a servant plowing or feeding the cattle, will you say to him when he comes from the field: "Go and sit down to meat (eat)"? O no, the servant's work is not yet finished. You will rather say: "Make ready wherewith I may sup (eat), and gird thyself (tie up your dress), and serve me, till I have eaten and drunk." First the servant must serve his master, and then he may eat and drink. And will the master then thank him for doing all these things that were commanded him? Jesus answers: "I trow (think) not." He will not thank him, for he has only done his duty.

So we are God's servants. Also we deserve no thanks even if we had done all that was commanded us. We are doing no more than our duty. We must say: "We are unprofitable servants, we have earned no thanks for it, we have only done our duty." But, oh! have we done even that? Have we done our duty? Have we done all that is commanded us? O we must feel ashamed! We have not even done our duty. We are disobedient servants. We deserve punishment.

To whom can we go, my friends? Only to Jesus who tells us these words. He has fulfilled the law for us and has paid for our sins with His blood. Now let us serve Him as thankful servants!

In your Bible again read this lesson, remember v. 10, and then answer these questions in writing: 1. To whom can we go because we have not done all that is commanded us? 2. What should we now do for this Jesus?

Prayer: Lord God, we are Thy servants. We have not done all that is commanded us. We deserve punishment. But now Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Savior, has come and for us has done all that Thou hast commanded and has paid for

our sins with His blood. Now help us to serve Thee and Thy Son as thankful servants. Amen.

Study for Sunday, February 9

"Bless the Lord, O my soul:

He forgiveth all thine iniquities (sins)."

Ps. 103, 1. 3.

In your Bible read Luke 17, 11-19

Jesus was on the way to Jerusalem through Galilee and Samaria. When He entered or went into a village of Samaria, ten lepers met Him. These men had a terrible sickness, leprosy. Doctors could not cure it, there was no medicine for it. All who had this sickness died slowly. Now these men had heard of the mighty Jesus. And here He came! And they stood afar off, for they could not come near people. And now they lifted up their voice or cried unto Jesus, saying, 'Master, have mercy on us.' And Jesus is a merciful Master! He sent them away, saying: "Go show yourselves to the priests." That was the law of Moses. But they were not yet healed, nevertheless they believed Jesus and went. And as they went they were cleansed or healed. So we all have a terrible sickness like leprosy, and that is sin. No doctor can take it away, no medicine wash it away. And now comes the mighty Jesus, and He can take and wash it away. He says to the sinner: "Thy sins are forgiven thee," and every one who believes these words has forgiveness through His blood.

When the ten lepers went and saw they were cleansed, one, and remember, only one, turned back and with a loud voice glorified (praised) God, fell down before Jesus on his face, and gave thanks. And this one man was a Samaritan, one who was not a Jew. Jesus was surprised at this, and asked: "Were there not ten cleansed, but where are the nine? Is there none other to give glory to God save (excepting) this stranger?" Then Jesus told him: "Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole (well)." So there are very few who give thanks to God for this forgiveness in Christ Jesus. God gave His Son to the world who paid for the sins of the whole world. But now so many go away and thank not for this great mercy! Have you given thanks? Do you praise God for it? Come, let us daily praise and thank Him for this for-

givenness, for cleansing us from sin and giving us everlasting life, and Jesus will say also to us: "Go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole (well)." He has saved you from sin, now thank Him and serve Him!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 19, and answer these questions in writing: 1. What is like the terrible sickness leprosy and only who can cure it? 2. What should we not forget to give to Jesus?

Prayer: Thanks to Thee, heavenly Father, for the forgiveness of all my sins through the suffering and death of my Savior Jesus Christ. Help that I thank and serve Thee forever with all my life. Amen.

Study for Sunday, February 16

"Christ dwells in your hearts by faith."

Eph. 3, 17

In your Bible read Luke 17, 20-25

The Pharisees demanded (asked) of Jesus when the kingdom of God should come. The Jews expected a kingdom of power and glory in this world. They hoped that the Christ, the promised King, would come and free them from the Romans and set up a great kingdom in this world, and then with the Jews rule over all nations. And therefore they would not believe in this poor and humble Jesus. But because He said that He was the Christ, they asked Him about the kingdom of God.

But Jesus now shows them that the kingdom of God will not be as a kingdom of this world. It will not come with observation so that people can observe or see it. No, it is within (in) people. Christ's kingdom is not of this world. It is in the heart of men. Only believers are in this kingdom. Therefore no man can see it.

Also His disciples thought and dreamed of such a great kingdom in this world. But Jesus tells them that there will be days of suffering for them and they will long for one of the days of the Son of man, for one of the days of glory, and they shall not see it. Then people will say: "Lo (see) here! or, lo there!" But Jesus said they should not follow them, for the kingdom of God will not be on one place, but in all the world as lightning. Especially when Jesus will come again on the last day, He will not set up a kingdom in

this or that land, but He will come as lightning, all the world shall see Him come in the clouds of heaven.

But before all this will happen, He must suffer many things and this generation (Jewish people) will reject Him (cast or throw Him away). Christ must first go through suffering and death, and by that He will set up His kingdom in this world in the hearts of men. This Jesus has done. And now we Christians must suffer with Him until He comes again in glory and leads us through suffering and death to glory on the last day!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 24, and answer these questions in writing: 1. Why can people not see the kingdom of Jesus? 2. When will all the world see Jesus again?

Prayer: Dear Savior, come live Thou in my heart by faith that I trust in Thy bitter suffering and death, and so be ready when Thou shalt come in the clouds to judge the world. Amen.

Study for Sunday, February 23

"Watch ye therefore, and pray always."

Luke 21, 36

In your Bible read Luke 17, 26-37

Last Sunday the Pharisees asked Jesus when the kingdom of God should come. They thought of a kingdom in this world, but Jesus told them of a kingdom in the hearts of men. And to-day He tells us of His coming into the world for judgment.

Jesus says it will be a very wicked time when He will come again, just as it was in the days of Noe or Noah when God destroyed the world by a great flood or in the days of Lot when God destroyed the city of Sodom with fire and brimstone from heaven. What were the people doing in those days? God was not in all their thoughts. They thought only of enjoying this life, of eating and drinking, of marrying and giving in marriage, of buying and selling, of planting and building, and then suddenly God came upon them with his judgment and punishment. And so it is to-day. Many people to-day also have not God in their thoughts, they live only for this world and the things of this world. That ought to show us that Jesus will come soon. And we ought to watch and pray

and be ready always! While people eat and drink, dance and play, buy and sell, Jesus will suddenly come in the clouds of heaven for judgment!

And then we must give up all we have in this world. So many love the things of this world and do not want to give them up, as Lot's wife. She had to leave all her good things, and God told them, "Look not behind thee!" But Lot's wife did not want to leave her things and looked back, and God punished her and she became a pillar (statue) of salt. Therefore Jesus says that they who seek to save their life and their good things, will lose it all; and they who give up their life and their good things for Jesus will preserve (keep) it, as did Lot and his two daughters and as did Noe and his family during the flood. Love not the world, nor the things of this world, but wait for the Lord Jesus and His glorious coming again!

Yes, wait and watch, that we may go with Jesus and not be left. On that day there will be two men in one bed, two women be grinding wheat, two men be in the field, and one will be taken and be saved and the other be left and lost. And judgment will come upon all the world for sin! Just as the eagles gather around a dead body to feed on it, so God's judgment and punishment will come on the wicked to destroy them!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 32, answer these questions in writing and send them to your pastor: 1. What will so many people be doing when Jesus comes again in the clouds? 2. Why should we watch and pray, and be ready every day?

Prayer: Dear Savior, help that I always stay near Thy cross on which Thou hast died for me and on the last day not be left and be lost forever with the unbeliever, but be taken and saved forever with all Thy believers and holy angels. Amen.

J. L. S.

MISSION NEWS

Milwaukee Mission—While we view the records of the work done in our field and what has been accomplished we must exclaim: Great is God! Surely, God is love.

He blesses our poor efforts wonderfully. Time and again He shows us that also among the deaf He has His elect. He leads us here and there, directs us

to this and to that home and tells us to preach the everlasting Gospel to a sin-sick people and promises to bless this work in this manner, Isaiah 55:10: For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it. — Thus the Lord by His grace has kept 158 communicant members of our field in the right faith, permitted the Gospel to be preached to 40-50 adults and about 40 pupils at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf each week. Ten children were confirmed during the year and five adults, and others are taking instruction. He gave us peace in the whole field and health to carry the work with only one week's interruption on account of a severe cold. Three couples were united in marriage, one child and one adult baptized, three funerals were conducted in the sign language, and two worthy members will probably spend the rest of their days in the insane asylum.

Here are a few facts concerning those who have entered the New Jerusalem, as we firmly hope, to show how graciously the Lord cares for His people. Mr. Fred Weller of Sheboygan was confirmed October 17, 1928, at the age of 73. A half year later we followed him to the cemetery. — Mrs. Korbel, Milwaukee, was instructed while at the hospital and received Holy Communion the first time five days before she died. — Carl Pautz, Watertown, a young man of 26, was a staunch Lutheran. As the end was drawing nigh and his strength faded away and his body grew weaker his faith waxed stronger. — Another member of Watertown, regular as clock work and faithful to his church, was taken to Minnesota for burial by his brother, A. C. Dahms, pastor of the Church of Our Savior in Chicago. All in all we must confess, the Lord was with us in 1929 and brought a few souls from death to life through His precious Word.

F. C. Gade.

Duluth-Superior Mission—The last year has seen quite a change in the preaching schedule for this territory. Due to the great number of places, that must be reached it is not always possible to abide by a fixed schedule. This irregularity causes a slightly smaller attendance at some places. Furthermore the entire railroad schedule of this territory was completely changed during the summer months of 1929, which made it necessary to change the schedule of the missionary; Fargo and Grand Forks lost their Sunday services, and Winnipeg and Devils Lake gained another service for the month, so that these schools are now visited twice a month instead of once a month as was the practise during the past years. Another change in these schools is, that more stress

is placed upon written work. The children have responded well, and it is very much an exception to the rule, if a child comes to its classes without its written work. The enrolment in both schools has remained about the same. Quite a few new children have been won for the instruction, but in both schools the losses through children not returning to school have been heavy. In Winnipeg the present enrolment is 27, of these 21 children are of non-Lutheran parents, but the parents gave their permission to have the children instructed in the Lutheran faith. Some of these permissions were obtained by the missionary, who personally visited the parents, while in other cases some pastors of our hearing congregations visited the parents and showed them what our mission could do for their children. In a few cases all work done in connection with getting these children into the Lutheran classes was done by mail. The Devils Lake enrolment also is 27; the most of these are children of Lutheran parentage. W. F.

Minneapolis Mission—In our services on the last Sunday of the old year Dean Elton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Koch, was brought to the Savior in Holy Baptism and thus was washed from sin in the blood of Jesus. May God keep him in this grace that he with all the saints will sing forever and ever "to Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood." Rev. 1:5. J. L. S.

Cleveland Mission—At our regular service in Cleveland on December 15th Wilfred Ewald was confirmed in the presence of the deaf and his hearing relatives. Wilfred had been studying Luther's Catechism for several years and gave a good confession of his faith.

May the Savior, who alone is able to keep us in the saving faith, continue His work in Wilfred's heart until this new member enters into the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. Hebr. 12:22.

The deaf of Findlay and neighboring cities held a combined Christmas and birthday celebration on December 22nd in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Doudt and Mr. and Mrs. W. Robb arranged the surprise for their friends, the Millers. For many years the Millers have opened their doors to the deaf for our services in Findlay; their friends wished to show their appreciation and to honor them with this surprise and celebration.

We take this opportunity to express to the deaf and hard of hearing in the Ohio territory our sincere appreciation of their generous holiday donations. Many thanks to the kind donors! O. C. S.

Chicago Mission—We here give you the election results of our congregational voting. Sunday, December 8th, as announced before, the election of officers for 1930 was held by the voting members of the congregation and by the Ladies' Aid society. Did you attend the meetings? You should.

Our Savior Church, Officers, 1930: President, W. Smith; Vice-President, C. Hayman; Secretary, J. H. Anderson; Treasurer, Wm. C. Pearce; Trustees, W. Michaelson, Carl Leise, H. Morisee; Deacons, Herman Retzlaff, John Bauer, E. C. Weinrich; Auditors for 1930, Carl Heyer and W. Summerfield.

Ladies' Aid Society, Officers, 1930: President, Mrs. J. Miller; Vice-President, Mrs. Weinrich; Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Engle; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Dahms; Sick Committee for 1930, Mrs. Michaelson and Mrs. Myers.

We wish these officers for 1930 much happiness and success in their work. Whatsoever ye do, do it for Jesus' sake. Help your church in every way you can. — And the rest of you members, help your officers in every way you can. We must work all together that our Lord's business may be done.

We wish to express the thanks of congregation and Ladies' society to the officers who served in the past year 1929. The Lord will bless and reward you for all you have done to serve His Church.

We can announce further: Mr. H. Retzlaff will be the janitor of our church in the new year. He is not a young man, but he can still handle a broom.

The congregation elected, through the Council, an Agitation Committee: Messrs. Retzlaff, Leise, and Weinrich. A. C. D.

1929 STATISTICS

NEW YORK MISSION

Brooklyn, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf: 20 voting members; 50 communicant members; 118 communed; services every Sunday; 1 loss by death; 1 loss by removal; 1 confirmation; 3 funerals; 4 marriages; \$400.00 voluntary contributions; \$48.00 contributed for outside purposes in addition to the foregoing; The Guild, a society, meets every month; confirmation class on Saturday morning in New York; two deaf girls are preparing for confirmation; confirmation class in the evening in Brooklyn; two deaf men are preparing for confirmation but meet irregularly.

New York at 145th and Convent Ave.: 12 pupils of the New York Institution meet every Friday at this place.

Kingston: 1 communicant, 4 average attendance; 6 services.

Albany: 8 average attendance monthly.

Schenectady: two visits.

Westtown: 1 confirmation; two services.

A. B.

PITTSBURGH MISSION *

† Pittsburgh: 29 baptized members (Lutheran pupils at Edgewood included); 17 communicants; 12 average attendance; 14 services conducted; \$43.66 contributed; 1 confirmed.

Washington: 10 baptized members; 10 average attendance.

Buffalo: 4 communicant members; 5 average attendance; 1 service conducted; \$1.05 contributed.

New Castle: 5 baptized members; 5 average attendance.

Johnstown: 3 communicant members.

* During 1927 6 joined by confession of faith in addition to the 5 confirmed; \$239.60 was contributed; 119 services were conducted, and 153 communed.

† The Pittsburgh field report is for the months January to September, 1927. No further report received.

O. C. S.

* 1927 Statistics.

CLEVELAND MISSION

Cleveland: 40 baptized members; 27 communicant members; 36 services conducted; 21 average attendance; 1 confirmed; 64 communed; \$161.98 contributed.

* Hard of hearing members commune with hearing relatives in hearing churches.

Columbus: 34 baptized members; 12 communicant members; 24 services were conducted; 23 average attendance; \$6.42 contributed; 27 communed.

Findlay: 32 baptized members; 17 communicants; 30 average attendance; 14 services conducted; 3 confirmed; 1 baptism; \$22.07 contributed.

Fremont: 13 baptized members; 6 communicants; 10 average attendance; 3 services conducted; \$5.85 contributed.

Tri-cities, Lorain, Elyria, Oberlin: 16 baptized members; 14 services conducted; 2 communicants; 8 average attendance; \$6.05 contributed.

Erie: 10 baptized members; 3 communicants; 7 average attendance; 4 services conducted; \$2.01 contributed.

Mansfield: 11 baptized members; 6 communicants; 12 average attendance; 59c contributed.

Sandusky: 7 baptized members; 4 services conducted; \$3.57 contributed.

Youngstown: 7 souls; 2 communicants; \$1.05 contributed; \$14.60 to Blind Mission.

Danville, Kentucky State School: 2 services; 43 souls; 43 are being served by mail instruction.

Cave Spring, Georgia State School: 2 services; 49 souls; 49 are being served by mail instruction.

Knoxville: 18 souls are being served by mail instruction.

O. C. S.

DETROIT MISSION

Detroit: 29 voters; 58 communicants; 4 baptisms; 1 letter; 2 removals; 1 death; 50 services; 25 average attendance; 76 instructions; 117 pastoral calls; 40 missionary calls; \$84.24 basket collection; \$387.06 for dues; \$529.41 for other purposes; \$309.21 for chapel and debt fund; total \$1,309.92; outside purposes \$122.10.

Toledo: 15 communicants; 1 baptism; 12 services; 12 average attendance; 7 instructions; 7 pastoral calls; 3 missionary calls; \$94.79 basket collection; \$26.75 for other purposes; total \$121.65; \$72.09 for Deaf-Mute

Mission Treasurer; \$26.75 for outside purposes; total \$98.84.

Mt. Clemens: 5 communicants; 11 services; 5 average attendance; 7 pastoral calls; \$16.45 basket collection \$6.50 for other purposes; total \$22.95; \$16.45 for Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$22.95.

Jackson: 10 services; 5 average attendance; 13 missionary calls; \$11.54 basket collection; total \$11.54; Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer \$11.54; total \$11.54.

Pontiac: 2 services; 8 average attendance; 2 instructions; 16 missionary calls; \$3.71 basket collection; total \$3.71; \$3.71 Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$3.71.

Flint: 10 communicants.

Ft. Wayne: 16 communicants; \$139.00 basket collection.
E. Scheiber and W. Gielow.

CHICAGO MISSION

Chicago: 113 communicants; 44 voting members; 57 services; 2,133 total attendance; 38 average; 202 communed; 3 baptized; 4 confirmed; 2 married; 2 instruction; \$1,111.95 for home purposes; \$354.09 for outside purposes.

Englewood Branch: 12 services; 7 average attendance.

South Bend: 10 communicants; 10 services; 202 total attendance; 20 average attendance; 11 communed; 2 baptized; 1 instructed; \$46.45 contributed.

Grand Rapids: 9 communicants; 5 services; 46 total attendance; 9 average attendance; 8 communed; \$17.76 contributed.

Elgin: 4 communicants; 5 services; 4 average attendance; 12 communed; \$31.89 contributed (from hearing also).

Bradley: 3 communicants; 5 services; 3 average attendance; 4 communed; \$14.63 contributed.

Valparaiso: 1 service; 2 attendance; \$2.00 contributed.

Peoria: 1 service; 1 attendance; \$5.00 contributed.

Chicago field: 140 communicants; 97 services; \$1,583.67 contributed.
A. C. D.

MILWAUKEE MISSION

Milwaukee: 40 voting members; 80 communicant members; 33 average attendance; 5 confirmed; 3 mariages; 2 baptized; 3 funerals.

Sheboygan: 5 communicant membes; 20 aveage attendance.

Manitowoc: 8 communicant members; 11 average attendance:

Oshkosh: 8 communicant members; 12 average attendance.

Racine-Kenosha: 10 average attendance.

Delavan: 22 communicant members; 170 average attendance; 40 Lutheran pupils; 10 confirmed.

Madison: 5 communicant members; 15 average attendance.

Watertown: 9 communicant members; 10 average attendance.

Reedsburg: 2 communicant members; 11 average attendance.

Merrill, Wausau: 20 souls.

\$572.28 collected for all purposes. Total 158 communicants.
C. G.

MINNEAPOLIS MISSION

Minneapolis: 21 voters; 57 communicants, 168 communed; 51 services; 25 average attendance; 2 baptized; 1 confirmed; 2 marriages; 2 burials; \$296.70 for home purposes; \$94.53 for outside purposes; total \$391.23.

Minneapolis Oral Bible Class: 44 services; 6 average attendance; 7 confirmed; \$45.28 for home purposes; \$3.50 for outside purposes; total \$48.78.

Minneapolis Oral Sunday School: 35 services; 3 average attendance.

Faribault: 1 communicant; 2 communed; 17 services; 11 average attendance; 13 being instructed; 50c for home purposes; total 50c.

Fergus Falls: 2 communicants; 2 communed; 11 services; 5 average attendance; \$16.04 for home purposes; 50c. for outside purposes; total \$16.54.

Rergus Falls State Hospital: 11 services; 4 average attendance.

Ottertail Co. Sanitarium: 4 services; 1 average attendance; \$2.50 for home purposes; total \$2.50.

Mankato: 4 communicants; 4 communed; 3 services; 6 average attendance; \$9.98 for home purposes; 50c for outside purposes; total \$10.48.

Northrop: 1 communicant; 1 communed; 1 service; 1 average attendance; \$2.25 for home purposes; total \$2.25.

Gaylord: 5 communicants; 13 communed; 8 services; 4 average attendance; \$12.20 for home purposes; 25c for outside purposes; total \$12.45.

Dawson: 11 communicants; 23 communed; 9 services; 11 average attendance; \$23.01 for home purposes; 75c for outside purposes; total \$23.76.

Willmar: 1 communicant; 2 communed; 2 services; 2 average attendance; \$10.06 for home purposes; total \$10.06.

Willmar State Hospital: 2 services; 5 average attendance.

Watertown: 9 services; 6 average attendance; 3 being instructed; \$13.40 for home purposes; 25c for outside purposes; total \$13.65.

Aberdeen: 3 services; 5 average attendance; \$17.25 for home purposes; 25s for outside purposes; total \$17.50.

Big Stone City: 4 communicants; 11 communed; 3 services; 5 average attendance; \$21.34 for home purposes; \$1.00 for outside purposes; total \$22.34.

New Germany: 1 communicant; 1 service; 2 average attendance; \$2.00 for home purposes; total \$2.00.

Anoka: 1 communicant; 1 communed; 6 services; 3 average attendance; \$5.00 for home purposes; total \$5.00.
J. L. S.

ST. PAUL MISSION

St. Paul: 35 communicants; 59 communed; \$27.43 for outside purposes; \$204.92 for home purposes; 16 average attendance; 56 number of services.

Stillwater: 3 communicants; 9 communed; \$11.30 for outside purposes; \$17.20 for home purposes; 4 average attendance; 10 number of services.

Lake City: 3 communicants; 12 communed; \$2.40 for outside purposes; \$34.44 for home purposes; 4 average attendance; 11 number of services.

Winona: 7 communicants; 13 communed; \$6.49 for outside purposes; \$21.61 for home purposes; 9 average attendance; 12 number of services.

Rochester: 1 communicant; 3 communed; 60c for outside purposes; \$7.00 for home purposes; 3 average attendance; 9 number of services.

Eau Claire: 12 communicants; 4 communed; \$2.25 for outside purposes; \$12.88 for home purposes; 14 average attendance; 9 number of services.

Albert Lea: 5 communicants; 10 communed; \$2.20 for outside purposes; \$4.50 for home purposes; 6 average attendance; 2 number of services.

Austin: 1 communicant; 1 communed; \$6.17 for home purposes; 7 average attendance; 4 number of services.

Mason City: 1 communicant; \$1.35 for outside purposes; \$4.01 for home purposes; 7 average attendance; 6 number of services.

Dubuque: \$25c for outside purposes; \$1.99 for home purposes; 4 average attendance; 6 number of services.

La Crosse: \$4.75 for outside purposes; \$8.31 for home purposes; 11 average attendance; 6 number of services.

Eastman: 1 communicant; 1 communed; 70c for home purposes; 3 average attendance; 1 number of services.

Black River Falls: 2 communicants; 2 communed; 50c for home purposes; 4 average attendance; 2 number of services.

Decorah: \$3.50 for outside purposes; \$11.30 for home purposes; 3 average attendance; 2 number of services.

Lancaster: 1 communicant; 2 communed; 5 average attendance; 2 number of services.

Chippewa Falls: 15 average attendance; 6 number of services. J. A. C.

DULUTH MISSION

Duluth-Superior: 30 baptized members; 18 communicants; 8 voting; 1 infant baptism; 32 communed; 24 services conducted; \$15.97 contributed.

Rice Lake: 12 baptized members; 3 communicants; 3 communicants; 8 services; \$21.37 contributed.

Cloquet: 2 baptized members; 2 communicants; 2 communed; 8 services; 50c contributed.

International Falls: 3 baptized members; \$2.50 contributed.

Fargo: 31 baptized members; 19 communicants; 1 confirmed; 3 communed; \$15.95 contributed; 12 services conducted.

Grand Forks: 20 baptized members; 10 communicants; 4 communed; \$12.82 contributed; 12 services conducted.

Bismark: 22 baptized members; 1 infant baptism; \$1.42 contributed; 5 communicants.

Devils Lake: 32 baptized members; 10 communicants; 19 communed; 12 services conducted.

Lipton: 5 baptized members; \$5.70 contributed.

Winnepeg: 25 baptized members; 2 communicants; 7 communed; 2 services.

Bemidji: 4 souls; 1 communicant; 3 services conducted; 50c contributed.

Lengby: 8 souls; 6 communicants; 8 services; 5 average attendance; \$2.00 contributed.

West Selkirk: 1 service; 2 attendance.

Carlary: 1 service; 9 attendance; \$5.20 contributed.

Brandon: 1 service; 10 attendance; \$3.30 contributed.

Gull Lake: 1 service; 4 attendance.

Sturgis: 1 service; 4 attendance; \$4.25 contributed;

Saskatoon: 1 service; 8 attendance; \$9.10 contributed.

Regina: 1 service; 14 attendance; \$5.60 contributed.

Fir Mountain: 1 service; 5 attendance; \$5.85 contributed. W. F.

ST. LOUIS MISSION

St. Louis: 32 communicants; 87 communed; 1 confirmed; 1 marriage; 25 services conducted; 26 average attendance; \$120.62 contributed for home purposes; \$50.27 for outside purposes.

St. Charles: 5 communicants; 18 communed; 12 services conducted; 4 average attendance; \$23.25 contributed for home purposes; \$12.20 for outside purposes.

Jacksonville: 5 communicants; 14 communed; 8 services conducted, 10 average attendance; \$22.95 contributed for home purposes.

Jacksonville State School: 7 communicants; 7 communed; 4 confirmed; 3 baptized; 40 average attendance at religious instruction.

Indianapolis: 6 communicant members; 19 communed; 10 services conducted; 5 average attendance; \$27.75 contributed for home purposes; \$2.50 for outside purposes.

Columbus: 5 communicants; 5 communed; 9 services conducted; 4 average attendance; \$2.35 contributed.

Louisville: 5 communicants; 11 communed; 11 services conducted; 4 average attendance; \$22.07 contributed for home purposes; \$1.00 for outside purposes. C. S.

OMAHA MISSION

Omaha: 16 voters; 42 communicants; 100 communed; 23 services held; 32 average attendance; 5 infant baptisms; 2 adult baptisms; 4 adult confirmations; 3 marriages; 1 burial; contributed \$222.34.

Lincoln: 5 communicants; 9 communed; 12 services held; 4 average attendance; \$5.97 contributed.

Beemer: 4 communicants; 4 communed; 1 service held; \$2.05 contributed.

Sioux City: 7 communicants; 1* communed; 12 services held; 8 average attendance; \$19.23 contributed.

Ft. Dodge: 4 communicants; 4 communed; 11 services held; 14 average attendance; 1 burial; 1 marriage; \$54.15 contributed.

Boone: 5 communicants; 4 communed; 12 services held; 5 average attendance; \$11.60 contributed.

Des Moines: 11 services held; 6 average attendance; \$5.63 contributed.

Mitchell: 10 communicants; 33 communed; 10 services held; 14 average attendance; 1 burial; \$41.92 contributed.

Sioux Falls and Sioux Falls School: 34 communicants; 62 communed; 11 services held; 54 average attendance; \$25.46 contributed.

Omaha School: 9 communicants; 15 communed; 70 meetings held; 28 average attendance.

Council Bluffs School: 4 communicants; 4 communed; 28 meetings held; 22 average attendance.

KANSAS CITY MISSION

E. M.

Atchison: 2 baptized members; 2 communicants; 1 voting member; 2 confirmations; 4 communed; 10 average attendance; 10 services conducted; \$22.31 contributed for outside purposes.

Frankfort: 6 baptized members; 4 communicants; 2 voting members; 9 communed; 7 average attendance; 2 services conducted; \$13.37 contributed for outside purposes.

Hanover: 2 baptized members; 2 communicants; 2 voters; 1 confirmation; 3 communed; 15 average attendance; 1 service conducted; \$9.25 contributed for outside purposes.

Herington: 6 baptized members; 3 communicants; 2 voters; 1 infant baptism; 7 communed; 5 average attendance; 5 services conducted; \$35.45 contributed for outside purposes; \$5.15 contributed for home purposes.

Joplin: 14 average attendance; 8 services conducted; \$16.11 contributed for outside purposes.

Kansas City: 14 baptized members; 14 communicants; 7 voters; 1 burial; 27 communed; 18 average attendance; 39 services conducted; \$110.97 contributed for outside purposes; \$46.75 contributed for home purposes.

Lawrence: 8 services conducted; 7 average attendance; \$14.88 contributed for outside purposes.

Leavenworth: 6 services conducted; 3 average attendance; \$1.11 contributed for outside purposes.

Miami: 4 baptized members; 1 communicant; 1 confirmation; 3 baptisms; 2 communed; 6 services conducted; 15 average attendance; \$12.05 contributed for outside purposes.

Oklahoma City: 8 services conducted; 16 average attendance; \$13.55 contributed for outside purposes.

Olathe: 3 baptized members; 1 communicant; 1 communed; 2 services conducted; 9 average attendance; 56c contributed for outside purposes.

Rudy: 1 baptized member; 1 communicant; 1 communed; 70c contributed for outside purposes.

Salina: 6 services conducted; 9 average attendance; \$4.78 contributed for outside purposes.

St. Joseph: 2 baptized members; 14 services conducted; 5 average attendance; \$16.57 contributed for outside purposes.

Springfield: 7 services conducted; 9 average attendance; \$11.22 contributed for outside purposes.

Sylvan Grove: 5 baptized members; 3 communicants; 1 confirmation; 2 baptisms; 4 communed; 2 services conducted; 8 average attendance; \$14.05 contributed for outside purposes.

Tulsa: 3 services conducted; 12 average attendance; \$8.63 contributed for outside purposes.

Wichita: 1 baptized member; 1 communicant; 1 confirmation; 1 communed; 9 services conducted; 17 average attendance; \$20.40 contributed for outside purposes; 25c contributed for home purposes.

SEATTLE MISSION A. E. F.

Seattle: 24 services; 56 members; 2 adult baptisms; 2 infant baptisms; 210 communed; 1 catechumen; \$277.90 for home purposes; \$57.00 for missions.

Tacoma: 24 services; 25 members; 6 confirmed; 4 adult baptisms; 80 communed; 4 catechumens; \$28.00 for home purposes; \$52.86 for missions.

Everett: 12 services; 4 members; 16 communed; \$12.80 for missions.

Anacortes: 22 services; 15 members; 2 adult baptisms; 65 communed; \$19.00 for home purposes; \$38.20 for missions.

Bellingham: 12 services; 3 members; 12 communed; 2 catechumens; \$12.00 for missions.

Vancouver: 4 services; \$7.00 for missions.

PORTLAND MISSION G. G.

Portland: 47 communicants; 22 voters; 8 baptisms; 3 confirmations; 60 communed; 3 marriages; 1 burial; 2 services per month; \$6,000 value of property; \$340.27 contributed; 1 under instruction.

Salem: 4 communicants; 5 communed; 1 marriage; 2 services per month; \$38.82 contributed.

Oregon State School: 1 service per month; 5 under instructions.

Vancouver: 10 communicants; 2 baptisms; 2 confirmations; 21 communed; 2 services per month; \$32.41 contributed.

Washington State School: 2 communicants; 1 confirmation; 2 communed; 1 service per month; 16 under instructions.

Corvallis: 2 communicants; 4 communed; services by appointment; 50c contributed. E. E.

SPOKANE MISSION

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Spokane: 21 communicants; 9 voters; 9 baptisms; 3 confirmations; 40 communed; 1 marriage; 1 burial; 2 services per month; \$2,500 value of property; \$15.20 contributed from October to December.

Missoula: 1 communicant; services by appointment; 85s contributed. E. E.

LOS ANGELES MISSION

Los Angeles: 14 communicants; 2 letters; 2 confessions of faith; 4 removals; 39 services; 25 average attendance; 4 instructions; 58 pastoral calls; 427 missionary calls; \$110.33 basket collection; \$1.75 for other sources; \$42.48 for hapel cand debt fund; total \$154.56; \$110.33 for Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; \$2.75 for home purposes; total \$113.08.

Alhambra: 1 communicant; 12 services; 10 average attendance; 8 instructions; 2 pastoral calls; 30 missionary calls; \$19.97 basket collection; total \$19.97; \$19.97 for Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$19.97.

Anaheim: 2 communicants; 9 services; 5 average attendance; 3 pastoral calls; 15 missionary calls; \$7.21 basket collection; total \$7.21; 07.21 for Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$7.21.

Fresno: 10 services; 4 average attendance; 17 missionary calls; \$4.36 basket collection; total \$4.36; \$4.36 to Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$4.36.

Long Beach: 10 services; 7 average attendance; 25 missionary calls; \$16.73 basket collection; total \$16.73; \$16.73 Deaf-Mute Mission Treasurer; total \$16.73.

Porterville: 1 communicant; 11 services; 4 average attendance; 3 pastoral calls; 4 missionary calls; \$14.55 basket collection; total \$14.55; \$6.00 for home purposes; total \$8.55.

San Diego: 12 services; 8 average attendance; 19 missionary calls; \$22.02 basket collection; total \$22.02.

Santa Barbara: 1 communicant; 8 services; 9 average attendance; 2 pastoral calls; 17 missionary calls; \$7.13 basket collection; total \$7.13. G. H. F.

Approximate totals. During 1929 Lutheran missionaries for the deaf baptized 11 infants and 49 adults; they confirmed 55 deaf, communed 1,556, buried 11, married 16 couples, and served 1,557 members at 169 preaching stations with 1,871 services. The Lutheran Mission for the Deaf has 281 voters, and 1,097 communicants; the latter contributed \$4,939.29 to this work in 1929.

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