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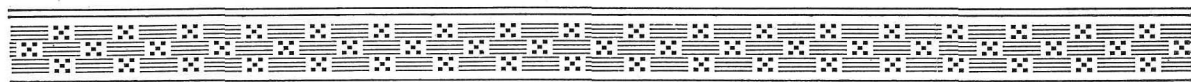
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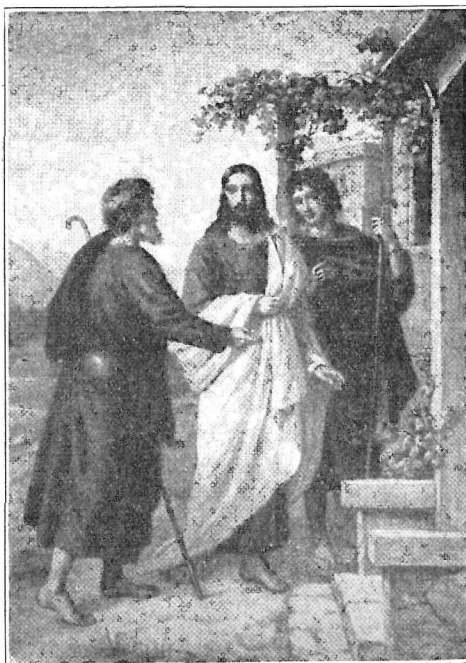
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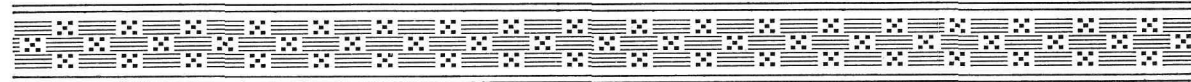
THE SCRIPTURES.



Search the Scriptures.

YOU WILL FIND —

Christ, the Light of life for all mankind;
Christ, the Bread from heaven, our souls to feed;
Christ, the All in all for every need;
Christ, who mediates 'twixt us and God;
Christ, the Way by which all saints have trod;
Christ, whose life made manifest God's love;
Christ, who for our sakes was crucified;
Christ, the risen Lord, now glorified;
Christ, the Truth, to shatter error's chain;
Christ, the good Physician for all our pain;
Christ, the Door through which to heaven we go;
Christ, the loving Shepherd of His sheep;
Christ, whose tears o'erflow for those who weep;
Christ, the Sun of righteousness and peace;
Christ, whose intercessions never cease;
Christ, the same to-day and evermore;
Christ, our Pilot to the eternal shore.



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EDITORIAL.

† Francis A. O. Pieper, D. D. †

The Lutheran Church in America and everywhere has suffered a distinct loss by the death of Dr. F. Pieper on June 3. Dr. Pieper, an eminent Lutheran theologian and president of Concordia

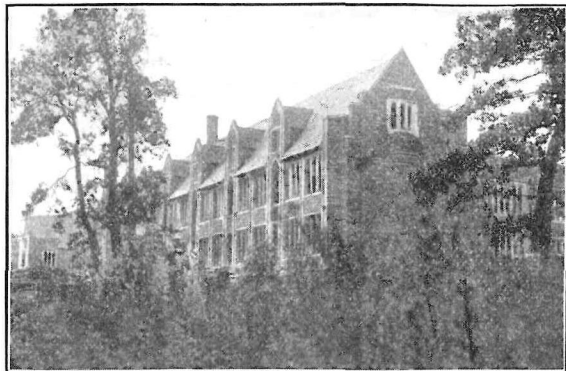


Prof. F. Pieper, D. D.

Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., was buried on June 6. Dr. F. Pfothenauer, President of the Missouri Synod, and Dr. L. Fuerbringer of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, conducted the funeral services in the presence of a large gathering of St. Louis Lutherans and official representatives of our Church and of other Lutheran church-bodies.

Dr. Pieper was born June 27, 1852, at Carwitz, Pomerania. He came to America as a young man to complete his theological training for the ministry. After his graduation from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, in 1875, he served a few years as pastor of Lutheran congregations and was then elected to a professorship at the St. Louis Seminary. Here he taught the subject of Dogmatics for over fifty years and wrote *Christliche Dogmatik*, an outstanding work, in which he clearly set forth the doctrines of Christianity.

By his courageous leadership Dr. Pieper eminently exemplified the importance of having sincerely Christian teachers in Protestant theological



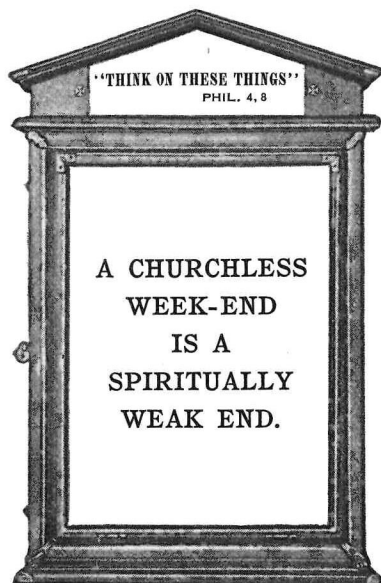
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schools. Unlike many modern apostles of religious liberalism, masquerading grotesquely to-day as leaders in the Protestant Church, Dr. Pieper stood firmly for the inerrancy and divine authority of the Scriptures; he emphasized spirituality above scholarship. To him life was but a "bridge between two eternities," and he endeavored sincerely to impress upon his scholars and associates the necessity of knowing Jesus as the Savior from sin and death. Unspoiled by his high position in the Church, his optimism survived many of the corroding frictions and bickerings which have ruined so many pleasant dispositions. By his genuinely Christian attitude, his tact, and his friendly personality he endeared himself to his associates and acquaintances everywhere.

In matters of Christian faith and life it is extreme folly for us to honor highly the opinions of petty men, who vanish from the earth as snow in the March sun; yet we have reasons to heed the words of this our sainted teacher; for he stood on the firm rock of God's eternal Word and taught clearly, definitely, and eloquently the Creator's love and mercy in Christ Jesus.

In these times of religious chaos, when many are living in a false security, the world is sadly in need of men bearing the stamp of Dr. Pieper; for he persistently, courageously, and convincingly taught the danger of impenitence and the blessing of universal grace in Jesus.

May all the pupils of Dr. Pieper and their congregations, including also the deaf, keep in loving remembrance this great soldier of the Cross; for St. Paul admonishes us: "Remember them . . . who have spoken unto you the Word of God; whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation," Heb. 13, 7. O. C. S.



Studies in the Chief Teachings of the Bible and the Catechism.

The Wonderful Work of Jesus Christ, the God-Man.

We have learned to know Jesus Christ as the God-man. A wonderful person indeed. Paul writes, 2 Cor. 5, 19: "God was in Christ, reconciling [receiving into His grace] the world unto Himself." The Church is the Church of "God, which He purchased [bought] with His own blood," Acts 20, 28; for it is "the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son," 1 John 1, 7. "We have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God," Heb. 4, 14. He is the true God, but also the "one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, 1 Tim. 2, 5, and "the Son of Man, who came to give His life a ransom [payment] for many," Matt. 20, 28. Come, let us fall down and worship this Christ, true God and true man!

And this wonderful God-man has a wonderful work to do. And what is His work? He was to be the Savior of the world, as His precious name JESUS tells us. The angel said to Joseph of this wonderful Child: "Thou shalt call His name JESUS, for He shall save His people from their sins," Matt. 1, 21. And He Himself said in the house of Zacchaeus: "The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost," Luke 19, 10. This is the work the Father gave Him, as He prays: "I have finished the work which Thou

gavest Me to do," John 17, 4. And gladly and willingly He did this work. To His disciples He said: "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me and to finish His work," John 4, 34. All that Jesus did and suffered, from the time He was conceived in Mary by the Holy Ghost until His death on the cross, and all that He still does since His resurrection from the dead and will do until His coming in glory, is for the salvation of men. What a blessed work! Of this blessed work of the God-man we say with Luther in the explanation of the Second Article: "I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true." Use these words as one of your daily prayers and so worship Jesus as your Savior.

When Andrew had found Jesus, "he first findeth his own brother Simon and saith unto him, We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ," John 1, 41. Jesus is the Messiah, or the Christ. Christ means the Anointed. In the Old Testament, priests and kings, and sometimes also prophets, were anointed; that means, oil was poured on their heads. So Jesus was anointed, not with oil, but with the Holy Ghost, to be our Priest, Prophet, and King. While there were many priests and prophets and kings in the Old Testament, in the New Testament Jesus is the one Prophet, Priest, and King. These three names beautifully describe the great work of salvation He accomplished for us. He came to make peace with God for us with His blood; He came to teach us the way of life; He came to rule His Church. Therefore Christians sing:—

He lives, my kind, wise, heavenly Friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

In order that we may always sing this and rejoice in His great salvation forever, saying: "He gave Himself for me; He taught me the

way of life; He governs me and defends me against all evil," let us in the following studies learn to know Him as our Priest, Prophet, and King.

J. L. S.

Bible-Studies for Sundays in August, 1931.

"Jesus Only."

Peter, James, and John saw Jesus in His glory with Moses and Elias and then heard the Father say: "This is My beloved Son; hear ye Him." Then they fell on their faces and were very much afraid. And Jesus came and touched them. And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no man save (excepting) "Jesus only," Matt. 17, 1—8. And that was all they needed, as Asaph also sings in Ps. 73: "Whom have I in heaven but [except] Thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire beside [except] Thee." Indeed, when we have "Jesus only," then we need nothing else. He helps us in every trouble, is with us in the storms of this life, forgives us all our sins, and at last brings us safely to the Father's home in heaven. Come, study these Bible-studies for August, one for every Sunday, and may God grant that also you, now and forever, desire "Jesus only"!

Study for Sunday, August 2.

"Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him,"
Ps. 2, 12.

Bible-Lesson: John 6, 1—14.

"After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed Him because they saw His miracles which He did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. And the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lifted up His eyes and saw a great company come unto Him, He saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this He said to prove him; for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them that every one of them may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto Him, There is a lad here which hath five barley loaves and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now, there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when He had given thanks, He distributed to the disciples and the disciples to them that were set

down; and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, He said unto His disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world."

This lesson takes us with Jesus over the Sea of Galilee up into a mountain. And a great multitude, very many people, followed Him because they saw His miracles, the wonderful works which He did on them that were diseased (sick). And the Passover was nigh (near), the feast of the Jews, the happy days when the Jews remembered how God led their fathers out of the land of Egypt and saved them from the cruel king of Egypt by Moses. For this feast all the Jewish men had to go to Jerusalem.

While Jesus was sitting upon the mountain with His disciples, He saw a great company, very many people, coming to Him. And the kind Helper wanted to give them something to eat, and He therefore asked Philip: "Whence [where] shall we buy bread that these may eat?" Jesus knew how and where He would get bread for all these people; but He wanted to prove Philip, that is, He wanted to see what he would say or do. So Jesus often lets trouble come over us to see what we shall do and whether we shall trust in Him. And we learn that Philip did not yet know His Lord Jesus. He thought they could buy bread, but two hundred pennyworth (about \$32 worth) of bread would not be sufficient (enough) for them; every one would get only a little. Andrew now came and said to the Lord that a lad, a little boy, was there with five barley loaves and two small fishes. But he also did not know his Lord, for he said: "What are they among so many?" He intended to say: "That is very little for so many people." They forgot that the mighty Jesus was with them, and therefore they began to worry. And because we so often forget this, we, too, worry about food and drink, clothing and shoes, and other things. Jesus, the mighty Helper, is with us every day, and therefore we need not fear and worry. Happy are we if we know this.

Jesus is a wonderful Helper. He told the disciples to make the men, about five thousand, sit down on the grass. Then He took the bread and gave thanks. When you sit down to eat, do you

first ask God for His blessing and thank Him? Forget it not. Jesus then distributed (gave) the bread to the disciples, and they gave it to the people. And He did the same with the fishes. And all were filled, all had enough. If we ask God for His blessing, we always shall have enough. Only trust in Him!

And we should not waste food. Jesus told His disciples to gather, or pick up, the fragments, the pieces of bread and fish that remained (were left) on the grass. And they picked up twelve basketfuls. How wonderful! Let us always trust in Jesus. And when we see all this, we must say with the people in our lesson: "This is of a truth [surely] that Prophet that should come into the world." He is the promised Helper and Savior. He above all saves from sin, from death, and from the power of the devil with His holy blood. Believe in this mighty Savior and you will be blessed forever.

Read this Bible-lesson again and then answer these questions in writing: 1. Why do we often worry? 2. What should we always do before we eat?

Prayer: Jesus Christ, Thou mighty Savior and Helper in every trouble, help that we may always trust in Thee and not worry. Above all may we trust in Thy blood for the forgiveness of all our sins and for life everlasting. We ask it for Thy glory's sake. Amen.

Study for Sunday, August 9.

"The Lord is my Light and Salvation; whom shall I fear?" Ps. 27, 1.

Bible-Lesson: John 6, 15—21.

"When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take Him by force to make Him a king, He departed again into a mountain, Himself alone. And when even was now come, His disciples went down unto the sea and entered into a ship and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them. And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew. So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they see Jesus walking on the sea and drawing nigh unto the ship; and they were afraid. But He saith unto them, It is I; be not afraid. Then they willingly received Him into the ship; and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went."

When Jesus had fed the five thousand with bread and fish in such a wonderful way, He per-

ceived (saw) that they wanted to come and take Him by force to make Him king. A king like that they wanted, a bread-king. For the other things that Jesus gives: forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation, they cared not. So to-day many people would gladly follow Jesus and have Him for their king if He would daily feed them in such a wonderful way. But they will not come to Him and follow Him to receive the salvation of their souls. Are you following Jesus only to have bread enough in this world? Followers like these He does not want. Therefore when the people wanted to make Him king, a bread-king, He departed (went away) again into a mountain, Himself alone. First of all Jesus came to save men's souls. Oh, make Him King of your soul!

While Jesus was in the mountain, His disciples went down to the sea, entered (went) into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was dark, and Jesus was not with them. And there was a great wind, and the sea arose, it became very stormy. And when they had rowed about twenty-five or thirty furlongs (about three miles), they saw Jesus walking on the sea and drawing (coming) nigh (near) to the ship; and they were afraid. But they did not need to fear. It was their Lord Jesus coming to them in the storm. And He spoke to them and said, "It is I; be not afraid." So Jesus comes to us in every trouble, saying: "It is I; I am with you; be not afraid." The disciples then willingly (gladly) received Him into the ship, and immediately (quickly) the ship was at the land whither (where) they were going. So let us take Jesus, the mighty Savior of sinners, with us in every storm and trouble and sorrow, and we shall go safely through it all, and in life and death we then may sing: "I shall fear no evil [trouble], for Thou art with me," Ps. 23, 4.

Read this Bible-lesson again and then answer these questions in writing: 1. Why did Jesus leave the people and go up into a mountain? 2. What should we daily do in every trouble and sorrow, in life and death?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, grant us Thy Holy Spirit that we may make Christ the King of our souls and so be saved from sin and live forever. And while we are in this world, help us to trust in Him in life and death and not to be afraid. Amen.

Study for Sunday, August 16.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness," Matt. 6, 33.

Bible-Lesson: John 6, 22—27.

"The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there save that one whereinto His disciples were entered and that Jesus went not with His disciples into the boat, but that His disciples were gone away alone, (howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks,) when the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there neither His disciples, they also took shipping and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus. And when they had found Him on the other side of the sea, they said unto Him, Rabbi, when camest Thou hither? Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek Me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves and were filled. Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you; for Him hath God the Father sealed."

The next day after Jesus had fed the five thousand, the people saw that there was none other boat there save (except) that one whereinto (into which) the disciples were entered and that Jesus went not with them, but that they had gone alone. Now other boats had come from Tiberias nigh (near) the place where they had eaten bread, after Jesus had given thanks. When the people therefore could not find Jesus neither His disciples, then they took shipping, that means, they went into the boats, and came to the city of Capernaum and looked for Him. And there they found Him, on the other side of the sea; and they were surprised and asked: "Rabbi [Master], when camest Thou hither [here]?" They could not understand how Jesus had come there because His disciples had been alone, without Jesus, in the boat and there had been no other boat. They did not yet know Jesus. They did not understand that He could get across the water without a boat. Last Sunday we learned that He walked on the water. Jesus is God, the Lord also over the sea. Are you trusting in this mighty Lord in everything?

And why were the people looking for Jesus? Jesus knew. He said to them: "Verily [truly], verily, I say unto you, Ye seek Me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves and were filled." He knew that they had come only for bread and wanted Him to be their

bread-king. And then He told them they should above all things think of other food, of other bread, saying: "Labor not for the meat which perisheth." They came to Jesus only to get food for their body, food that will not stay, but will perish and cannot help man to life everlasting. Oh, so many people do this in the world to-day! They think only of bread for the body. To all these Jesus says in our lesson: "Labor [work] for that meat which endureth [stays] unto everlasting life." Yes, we need to work for food for our bodies, but above all we need food for our souls. The bread for our bodies is good only for this life, but the food for our souls will keep us to life everlasting.

And to whom must we go for this bread? The people in our lesson came to Jesus for food for their body, and to Him we must go also for food for our souls. He says: "The Son of Man shall give it unto you." This Son of Man is the Lord Jesus. Only He can give this bread that will endure [stay] unto life everlasting; for, as He tells us, "Him hath God the Father sealed." The Father has sealed, or stamped, Him as true. He said: "This is My beloved Son; hear ye Him." He also gave Him wonderful works to do and so showed that He had sent this Jesus. Therefore, if you wish to have everlasting life, you must go to Him. O come! Think not only of food for your bodies, but also of food for your souls, and you will live forever.

Read this Bible-lesson again and then answer these questions in writing: 1. Why was Jesus not pleased with the people in our lesson? 2. What do we need above all, and only who can give it?

Prayer: O Lord Jesus, we so often think only of our body and this life and forget that we have a soul that needs the Bread of Life. Help that we first of all go to Thee for this bread, which only Thou canst give, and so live forever. Amen.

Study for Sunday, August 23.

"This is the will [wish] of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son and believeth on Him may have everlasting life," John 6, 40.

Bible-Lesson: John 6, 28—33.

"Then said they unto Him, What shall we do that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent. They said therefore unto Him, What sign showest Thou, then, that we may see and believe Thee? What dost Thou work? Our fathers did eat manna

in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but My Father giveth you the true Bread from heaven. For the Bread of God is He which cometh down from heaven and giveth life unto the world."

When Jesus spoke of the bread that endures (stays) to life everlasting, the people asked Him: "What shall we do that we might work the works of God?" They wanted to know what they should do to please God. So every one of us ought to ask daily: "What does God want me to do?" And what does Jesus answer? He says: "This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent." We can please God only if we believe in Jesus Christ, who is come from God. Do you believe in this Jesus Christ? Do you accept Him as your Savior?

But the people did not want to believe in this Jesus. They wanted to find some excuse for not believing in Him and therefore said to Him: "What sign showest Thou, then, that we may see and believe Thee? What dost Thou work?" Only one day before this they had seen Him do a wonderful work. He had fed five thousand men and their families with five loaves and two small fishes, and now they asked: "What sign showest Thou?" And they told Him how Moses gave their fathers bread from heaven in the desert, on their way to the Holy Land. This bread they called manna. But Jesus said to them: "Moses gave you not that bread from heaven," nor was that the true bread. This bread spoiled, and they had to get new bread every day. But the Father gives the true Bread from heaven, the Bread that gives everlasting life.

And now Jesus told them who this true Bread from heaven is, saying: "The Bread of God is He which cometh down from heaven and giveth life to the world." Who is this? It is Jesus Himself. He came down from heaven. He is the Father's only Son. He gives life to a world dead in sin. He brings everlasting life to sinners. No other bread can do this. Indeed, He is the Bread of God, the true Bread from heaven. Only He can give you and me true life, life everlasting! Blessed are you if you have this Bread of God!

Read this Bible-lesson again and then answer these questions in writing: 1. Only how can we please God? 2. Who is the true Bread from heaven — and why?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thanks be unto Thee for this true Bread from heaven, Thine only Son Jesus Christ, who gives us true life, life everlasting. Help that we all may believe in this Jesus whom Thou hast sent and so always please Thee and live forever unto Thy glory. Amen.

Study for Sunday, August 30.

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life," John 3, 36.

Bible-Lesson: John 6, 34—36.

"Then said they unto Him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them, I am the Bread of Life. He that cometh to Me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst. But I said unto you, That ye also have seen Me and believe not."

When Jesus spoke to the people of the true Bread from heaven and who this Bread is, they said to Him: "Lord, evermore [always] give us this bread." Yes, they wanted everlasting life, but they did not want it through Jesus. So many people to-day want to go to heaven and live forever, but they want it without Jesus.

Jesus then told them that, if they wanted this bread and live forever, they must believe in Him and come to Him. He told them plainly: "I am the Bread of Life." He meant to say: "I am the true Bread from heaven. I came down from heaven and give life to the world. Only in Me a man can have life." Indeed, He is the One that should come and give life and salvation to the world. Do you know this Jesus, this Bread of Life? As your body cannot live, but must die, if you do not give it food, so you cannot live forever, but must be lost forever, if you have not this Bread of Life.

Come, listen to these wonderful promises of Jesus. He says: "He that cometh to Me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst." If you go to Jesus and believe in Him, saying: "This Jesus is my Bread of Life. He came from heaven and went into death for me, and now I have life everlasting," oh, then blessed are you! Then you will never hunger and never thirst. Yes, they who have Jesus, this Bread of Life, have enough now and forever. They want and need nothing else, but sing:—

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in Thee I find.

The things of this world, such as riches, pleasures, honor, cannot satisfy the soul. All these things

will leave it hungry and thirsty. Only Jesus, the Bread of Life, can truly fill the soul with good things: forgiveness of sins, joy, peace, hope, life everlasting. Come to this Jesus and believe in Him, and you shall never hunger and never thirst.

Read this Bible-lesson again, answer these questions in writing, and then send all your answers to your pastor: 1. What did Jesus mean to say with these words: "I am the Bread of Life"? 2. Why do we call those blessed who come to Jesus and believe in Him?

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Bread of Life, grant that I may daily come to Thee and believe in Thee, so that I, too, may never hunger and thirst. And may I now with other Christians bring Thee, the true Bread of Life, to others who still hunger and thirst and so through Thee satisfy their souls now and forever. Amen. J. L. S.

Faithful unto Death.

She was the only, dearly beloved child of her parents. Her father was a jurist of great distinction in the city of Osaka, Japan. The daughter was being educated in one of our mission-schools. She was intelligent and industrious and always stood at the head of her class. Being of an amiable disposition, she was loved by all. She attended the services of our church and at the age of fourteen became a full-fledged member of the Lutheran Church.

Unfortunately her father determined to marry her to a man who was no Christian. She had no inclination to marry a man who did not share her faith. However, not knowing how to oppose her father's wish, she at last consented. Her mother-in-law, who lived with her in her new home, was an ardent Buddhist and a declared enemy of the Christian religion. Thus her attendance at church came to a sudden end. But though the poor girl was forced to stay away from church and from all intercourse with Christians, her faith in her Savior could not be taken from her. Her heart clung to her Redeemer, whom she had learned to know in the mission-school.

One day the missionary was surprised by a knock at his door at an unusual hour of the morning. He arose and found a man at the door who told him that this young woman was hopelessly sick and requested him to visit her immediately at the hospital. Upon the missionary's

arrival at the hospital he found that the young woman, on learning that she could not live any longer, had summoned all her loved ones and friends around her death-bed to bid them farewell, comforting them and begging them not to weep, since she was going to a better land.

When the missionary entered the room, the patient greeted him with a smile, although suffering great pains, and expressed her faith in the crucified and resurrected Savior and her delight in going home to Him.

This fearlessness and serenity in the face of death made a deep impression on all who were present. Her father recognized the power of the Christian religion, began to study the Bible, and expressed the wish to become a Christian. The young men who studied law at her father's office likewise took up the study of the Christian religion. The infidel doctor who treated the dying Christian at the hospital confessed the power and value of the religion of Jesus Christ.

Thus we see in this young woman a beautiful illustration of the value of undying fidelity to her God and Church. It not only meant much to her, but also to others. "Go and do thou likewise."

Zion Bulletin.

Status of Deaf Among Handicapped Children.

The education of handicapped children other than the deaf is a subject that, according to reports, is being given more consideration than formerly. An authority states that twenty-three States make provision for such education: Alabama, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. In four other States, steps have been taken toward that end.

Pupils thus classified are usually incapacitated by physical infirmity and are put in special classes in some central school, from which they can go to their homes at least once a week. The physical welfare of the pupils is given due attention by physicians and nurses.

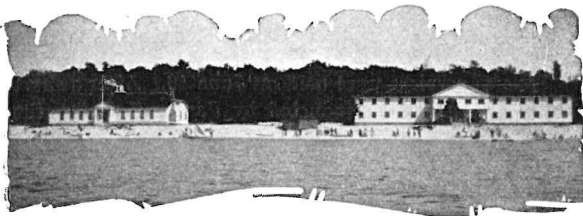
It is said that in Ohio the State pays the expenses of such schools "above normal cost" and that the plan has proved to be a good one. It has been found that it is better for such afflicted chil-

dren to get their education where they will not be deprived of frequent home contact than to attend a state institution.—*The Alabama Messenger*.

The above article outlines clearly and concisely what several States are doing for their crippled, epileptic, cardiac, discipline cases, and other handicapped children. For many of these there can be no doubt as to the soundness of such action. When, however, as seems to be the case in one of our large Eastern cities, an attempt is made to include the deaf children, we are convinced that a serious mistake is being made. The tendency for the past hundred years has been to segregate the deaf, who were frequently brought together with the blind and the feeble-minded under the same administration. Because of their peculiar language problem the deaf have a right to be treated as a separate group, and the results speak most eloquently for themselves. From the standpoint of self-respect we might well consider the effect upon the deaf children who are placed in an environment with children, a majority of whom, it must be conceded, will for all time be a partial or a total burden upon society.

We are reminded of a well-intentioned gentleman who at one time sponsored the production of a motion-picture involving a deaf character. By special invitation we were among his guests at the first showing of the picture. When asked for an opinion, our criticism was that the production was bound to produce in the minds of the audience a strong feeling of pity and sympathy for the deaf. "That is just what we want it to convey," was his reply.

How foreign this sentiment is to the attitude assumed by that large majority of our deaf who were educated under an influence and in an atmosphere where the ideal of a self-supporting member of society is ever held before them as their ultimate goal.—*Maryland Bulletin*.



Camp Arcadia, Where a Regional Meeting of Ephphatha Conference was Held July 15—17.

We hope to bring a detailed report of this conference in our next issue.

Take My Hand in Thine.

Take my hand in Thine, dear Jesus,
Lest I lose the way,
For my soul is very weary;
Take my hand, I pray.
Guide me o'er life's rugged pathway,
For my faith is weak,
And for strength to make the journey
Now Thy hand I seek.

Take my hand in Thine, dear Jesus,
For the way is long,
And I fear that I shall lose Thee,
Lose Thee in the throng.
Though the crowd may surge and buffet,
I am sure that Thou
Canst conduct me ever safely;
Take my hand just now.

Take my hand in Thine, dear Jesus;
Oh, what joy to know
That wherever Thou dost lead me
I can safely go!
On the way called Everlasting
Be my Guide and Stay;
Lead me ever onward, upward,
To eternal day.

Sel.

Getting Ready to Move.

The owner of the tenement which I have occupied for many years has given notice that he will furnish but little or nothing more for repairs. I am advised to be ready to move.

At first this was not a very welcome notice. The surroundings here are in many respects very pleasant, and were it not for the evidence of decay, I should consider the old house good enough. But even a light wind causes it to tremble and totter, and all the braces are not sufficient to make it secure. So I am getting ready to move.

It is strange how quickly one's interest is transferred to the prospective home. I have been consulting maps of the new country and reading descriptions of its inhabitants. One who visited it has returned, and from him I learn that it is beautiful beyond description; language breaks down in attempting to tell of what he heard while there. He says that, in order to make an investment there, he has suffered the loss of all things that he owned here and even rejoices in what others would call making a sacrifice.

Another One, whose love to me has been proved by the greatest possible test, is now there. He has sent me several clusters of the most delicious fruits. After tasting them, all food here seems insipid.

Two or three times I have been down by the border of the river that forms the boundary and have wished myself among the company of those

who were singing praises to the King on the other side.

Many of my friends have moved there. Before leaving, they spoke of my coming later. I have seen the smile upon their faces as they passed out of sight.

Often I am asked to make new investments here; but my answer in every case is, "I am getting ready to move."

MRS. MARY A. EHLERS.

Loneliness.

A fifteen-year-old deaf boy of San Francisco recently wrote to "Geraldine," who conducts a page in a San Francisco paper, asking her to help him find friends because of his loneliness. He evidently is not aware that in his city there is a school for the deaf which he may attend, or he may attend this school where there are over two hundred happy deaf children. Deaf children need companionship, and if they do not take to hearing children, they should be placed where there are other deaf children. Where there are other deaf children, friendships grow, and happiness is the result. Loneliness among the deaf children here is practically unknown. — *California News*.

MISSION NEWS.

Milwaukee Mission. — On Sunday, May 24, at 8 o'clock in the morning, five boys and five girls, all well dressed, with flowers pinned to their left shoulders, happily marched from the campus of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf to the new Lutheran church. Half an hour later about thirty of their friends followed their trail. It was confirmation day for the ten deaf children, some of whom had taken instructions for three years. A few of the parents had come long distances to be present at this service. The ladies' aid had provided the decorations in the new church, and the congregation had postponed its own service till 10.30 for the benefit of the children from the school for the deaf.

The school is now closed, the children are all at home, and we are wondering how many will attend next year. The new building on the grounds is nearing completion, and we have reason to believe that the number of pupils will exceed the two hundred and twenty-five mark.

After the confirmation exercises Holy Communion was celebrated with the twenty-eight confirmed children. A few of these have been graduated and will not return next year.

We thank both the South and the North Wisconsin District for helping very liberally in preparing a beautiful house of worship, where our deaf children may assemble every Sunday morning.



Confirmation Class, May 24, Delavan, Wis.

Ten members and other Lutheran deaf pupils who attended the service.

St. Louis Mission. — On June 14 Mrs. Clara Maria Carter, *née* Zimmer, of Jacksonville, Ill., departed this life in true faith in Christ, her Savior, at the age of forty-two years.

Mrs. Carter was one of the first communicant members of our little flock in Jacksonville, having been confirmed by the undersigned in 1917 in Salem Lutheran Church of that city. In 1925 she was united in marriage with Mr. Ben Carter. Two children were born to their union, a daughter, Claris Irene, who survives her mother, and a son, Glen Orville, who passed away shortly after his birth, on April 27. Mrs. Carter became ill about three months ago, and for several weeks she was in the hospital, where her son was born and died. The last few weeks of her life were spent at her home, where she was tenderly cared for by her mother and her sister.

Since her confirmation in 1917 Mrs. Carter was a regular attendant at our services for the deaf, and during her long illness, so Rev. Kuppler, the pastor of her hearing relatives, says, she bore her affliction with patience, putting her trust in God and her Savior Jesus Christ. On April 19, the date of our service in Jacksonville, she could not come to church, and at her request the undersigned administered the Lord's Supper to her at her home. When I made my last visit, May 16, at her home, she again confessed her faith in Christ, and in this faith she died. Therefore we can say of her: —

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep;
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes.

Funeral services were held on June 16. After a short service in the house, conducted by Pastor Kuppler, the mortal remains were conducted to the church, where a number of relatives and friends had gathered. The undersigned delivered a short address both orally and in the sign-language, and Pastor Kuppler preached to the hearing friends and relatives.

May God comfort all those who mourn her death with the blessed hope of a happy reunion in heaven!

Recently Miss Dorothy Doedli, a pupil of the Fulton, Mo., State School for the Deaf, returned home and last week again took up her study of God's Word preparatory to confirmation. C. SCHUBKEGEL.

Mission for Blind and Deaf. — With the approval of the Board of Missions for the Deaf and Blind we are moving our family to a suburb of Chicago during the month of July. The missionary's wife has been in poor health for a number of years, and his frequent and extended absences from home have been unpleasant. In the new location we shall have relatives and friends, who will be able to make things more pleasant for the missionary's family.

The stations which this writer is now serving in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Georgia are located only twenty-three miles farther from the new residence of the missionary than they are from Cleveland, and the work for the blind will have the additional advantage or better mail service.

In Chicago we shall furthermore have the opportunity to establish a personal contact with the many blind persons who have written to us from that city. Whenever possible, they will be instructed in the Christian religion and confirmed. It is our intention also to establish a center for the sightless, where they may meet in Christian fellowship and be encouraged in their Christian faith and life.

We are leaving Ohio, but hope and pray that God may continue to prosper and bless the Lutheran churches of Cleveland. O. C. SCHROEDER.

Cleveland, O. — June 21 was a day of great joy for the Cleveland deaf and their pastor. On this day Miss Mabel Graves, Miss Violet Robinson, Miss Lucile Burdge, and Mr. Willard Drake were received as communicant members of the Lutheran Church through confirmation. These speech-readers have attended our classes since 1925; they made a good confession of their faith. May the Holy Spirit, who has called them by the Gospel and enlightened them with His gifts, also keep them in the true faith!

By the grace of God we now have the privilege of preaching the Gospel at the home for the aged deaf near Columbus, O. Mr. A. E. Anderson of Columbus first directed our attention to this opportunity for having services at this institution. On May 26 we conducted our first service there. Several members of this year's confirmation class from the State School for the Deaf at Columbus signed a hymn. About fifty deaf attended this service. It was very encouraging to observe how glad the inmates were to have the Word of God preached to them. May God bless His Word upon the hearts of these people and lead them to faith in the Savior!

N. E. B.

Minneapolis Mission. — June 17 services for the deaf were held in Wheaton, in the midst of the congregation of Rev. Theo. Heine, who is very much interested in our work and, having made a study of the sign-language, is able to converse with the deaf. The deaf, who usually attend the services in Big Stone City, S. Dak., came to this service. The service, conducted in the afternoon, was attended by five deaf and quite

a number of hearing. The collection amounted to \$13.05. Supper for the deaf and their friends was served by a sister of Mr. August Neumann. In the evening the pastor delivered a lecture in the interest of our work among the deaf. Two deaf had stayed for this service and jointly with the pastor recited the Apostles' Creed. Collection, \$17.81. Eight subscribers for the DEAF LUTHERAN were secured.

June 21 services were held in Mankato. Before the service we went to Bethany College of the Norwegian Lutheran Synod, where the members and friends of this synod were having their annual meeting. When we arrived, a song service was being held, and at once the president of Bethany, Prof. S. C. Ylvisaker, Ph. D., asked us to say a few words in behalf of our mission among the deaf. We gladly consented to do so. Among other things we showed the delegates how also our deaf sing the beautiful hymns of our Church in their services to the glory of our Savior.



Confirmation Class, May 31, Minneapolis, Minn.

June 24—30 the Minnesota District of the Missouri Synod met at Concordia College, St. Paul. During the sessions of the District we always arrange special services both in Calvary Chapel, St. Paul, and in Grace Chapel, Minneapolis. Members of Immanuel Church and a member of Grace Chapel and the pastor went over to the college on Sunday morning in order to bring delegates to the early service in Immanuel Church and to the eleven-o'clock service in Grace Chapel. About 40 attended the service in Calvary Chapel, where Pastor Marxhausen of Waltham preached the sermon, which was interpreted in signs by Pastor Ferber of Duluth. In Grace Chapel about 45 listened to the sermon delivered by Rev. O. Volz of Willmar and interpreted by the pastor of Grace Chapel.

May God grant that all these our hearing friends have been filled with love and zeal also for this work, and may they remember this work of our Lord in their daily prayers! J. L. S.

Kansas City Mission. — On June 14, after the regular service at Wichita, Kans., Miss S. Pankratz of Newton, Kans., and Mr. C. Hudspeth of Kansas City were united in holy wedlock. Mrs. A. Grier and Miss F. Dwyer rendered the Lutheran hymn (No. 355) "Take My Life

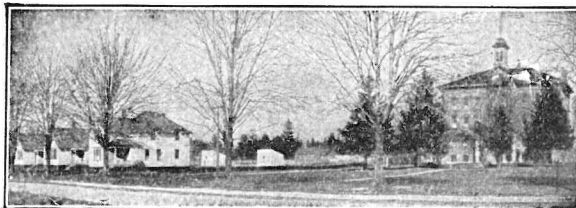
and Let It be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee" very effectively. The parents of Miss Pankratz and twenty-two other friends of Whichita and vicinity attended this service.

At our last service in Tulsa, Okla., on June 24, we were glad to see Mrs. W. Trotter in the audience. After a serious illness she has been restored to good health by our gracious Lord.

In our last service with our Kansas City Negro friends, on July 7, the three small sons of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Stone and the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Buchanan were brought to Christ in Holy Baptism. "As many of you as *have been baptized* into Christ have put on Christ," Gal. 3, 27. We have the assurance of City Missionary V. Gloe that he will assist us in every way possible to teach these children of God the chief doctrines of the Christian religion after they have become older.

Misses L. Anderson of Ada, Okla., and the Brown sisters of Sulphur, Okla., were welcome visitors at our Kansas City services on July 5.

It was the privilege of the missionary to be one of the speakers at the California, Mo., mission-rally recently. A lecture was given, too, on our Deaf-mute missions. The congregation at this city is large, and we are thankful to know that the pastor, Rev. Theo. Weinhold, and his congregation are enthusiastic about assisting us in bringing the Gospel to our deaf friends. "Sing unto the Lord, bless His name; *show forth His salvation* from day to day," Ps. 96, 3. A. E. F.



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