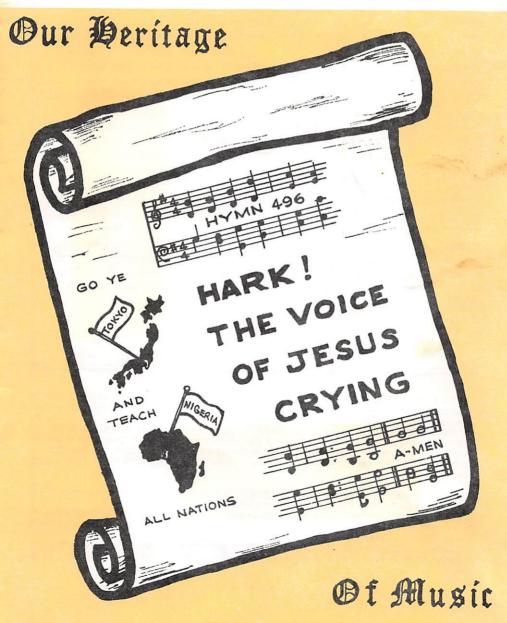
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### **Editorial**

### It can happen here

We never thought we would live to see the day that there would be religious persecution in this country, but now on the eve of the bicentennial of the ''land of the free'' the possibility stands before us. It comes from an unexpected quarter. In what is being advocated in connection with the Equal Rights Amendment there is a bit of handwriting on the wall.

It isn't this, that we necessarily have a quarrel with the Equal Rights Amendment as such. We even find that we agree with some of the things sought in what is called "Women's Liberation." Over the centuries there has been enough misunderstanding and abuse of God's male-headship principle to cause such a movement to develop.

However, we are getting apprehensive over what is implied in the Equal Rights Amendment by those who wholeheartedly support it. Repeatedly, these days we are reading words such as found and written with approval in our local press: "in addition they are urging an end to sexual discrimination in church laws."

#### We Discriminate

We are a church group that would be effected by this. There is, we admit, "sexual discrimination" in our beliefs and practice. We prefer to speak of it in another way. We see it as an order and arrangement established by God in His Word. What is generally presented on this matter, even by church people, is often nothing but a scoffing caricature of what the Bible really says. At the moment we will not present the full picture. Suffice it to say that in the relationship God has established between men and women we see something quite beautiful, that works for good order in society and under which there is great blessing.

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This principle cannot be argued before the world on the basis of Scripture. But in this country especially it can be approached on the basis of freedom. In the name of freedom could there not be a church people, women included, who believe what Scripture says on this point and prefer to live in keeping with it? Who is hurt thereby? What is there detrimental to society that some believe this way?

### A Quiet People

There is nothing in our beliefs that is against good government and good order in society. Quite the contrary! Respecting and honoring the "powers that be" and obeying the laws they establish is a matter of conscience with us. We like the description the apostle Paul presents, that believers in Christ are to be "the quiet of the land," obedient to government, only asking that they be left alone. This is not undemocratic. Is there not something said in our system of doing things about "protecting the rights of the minority?"

It might be asked of us that since we seek to be such an obedient people why wouldn't we obey if the law said to cease our discrimination between men and women. For us there is always a higher authority. Whenever the laws of men conflict with the Word of God, we operate with the "obey God rather than man" principle as found in the book of Acts. We would not comply with a law that set aside what we in good conscience believe is established by God. Then the penalties that the law provides would apply. Hence the persecution.

#### Freedom Threatened

At times we are appalled at the superficiality of so many of our leaders, politicians, educators, writers, social workers, even church men, and shudder at what it portends. On the one hand they will often speak of freedom in glowing but impossible terms. This year again, on the Fourth we heard a speaker in a moment of patriotic fervor proclaim that our country was a place where there was "absolute freedom."

There is no such thing as "absolute" freedom. As has been said, "morality, like art, consists in drawing a line somewhere." The moment there are two people living together, freedom is impaired and adjustment begins. Bluntly put, "Your freedom ends where my nose begins." And the greater the number of people, the greater and more complex the adjustment. This adjustment we call law. Put this into a context of sin and we see how the problem mounts and why government and law and regulation is necessary. In our country where we claim to be the "land of the free," the continuing profound and troublesome question will always be: "Just how much law, how much regulation is necessary?" In the interest of freedom this time-worn axiom is true: "That government is best which governs least."

And this is where ''on-the-other-hand'' comes in. So many of those who do not see the limitations of freedom, still blithely go along advocating laws which impose unnecessary regulation, often upon a minority, after the manner of a socialistic dictatorship, and they don't see what they are doing. Or maybe they do and want it that way. In either case, God help us!

### Church News

### New In Service

In a sense, they give themselves. In a sense a church gives them to itself. In the fullest sense of all, the Lord Jesus Christ gives them. "He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of

the body of Christ'' (Ephesians 4:11-12 NASB).

What follows is the current CLC gift list. They are presented here with the prayer that they be effective in their assigned work of equipping the saints for the service to which they are in turn called by the Lord of the Church.

### Michael D. Buck



"I hope I can show that life and the study of its simplicities and complexities provides a Christian with a greater appreciation of what God has done and is doing with us and every creature on His earth. I am looking forward to working with young people, for they are the key to the future."

So Mr. Buck expresses some of his thoughts as he faces his first term at

Immanuel Lutheran College, where he was called to teach in the science department.

During the 29 years of his life this man has had a wide range of experiences which qualify him for his specialized field. After secondary schooling and junior college in his home town of Austin, Minnesota, Buck entered the upper division of Mankato State University, where he majored in biology and education. In 1969 his work there was interrupted by the draft. As a military policeman in the army he was put to work with prisoners in correctional programs. Practice teaching had been in Monterrey, Mexico. at the American School Foundation, where he taught science and biology.

Graduate school study continued until spring of 1971. He is now completing a masters thesis, a comparison of radiation resistant bacteria with suspected mutants.

During the last two and one half years he has been working as a microbiologist in the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. There he was in charge of the teaching programs in the laboratory.

Mr. Buck has been a part of the CLC fellowship since his youth,



One of the three spring graduates of Immanuel Seminary in Eau Claire is Norman P. Greve, now serving a three month vicarage at Christ Lutheran Church of Montevideo, Minnesota. He was installed in this newly organized congregation on

### Karen Gullerud

One of the two 1975 graduates to receive an assignment in the teaching ministry, Miss Gullerud was installed on August 3 as teacher in Faith Lutheran School of Markesan, WI. Her department will include grades Kindergarten through Four.

Miss Gullerud is also the beneficiary of the full program of when he was confirmed at St. Paul's of Austin. More recently he served his Lord at Immanuel of Mankato.

Mr. Buck was married in spring of 1969. With his wife, Bebe Anna, and his children, Kirsten (5) and Andrew (4) our new science man will occupy a professorage now being constructed on faculty row.

### Norman P. Greve

June 8 by the Rev. M. Eibs of Sanborn, who had previously served the parish.

The Rev. Mr. Greve was born in Wenatchee, WA, on Dec. 26, 1950. He lived in Withrow, WA, until 1956, when his father, Pastor V.E. Greve, accepted a call to Lemmon, SD, where he remained for 14 years before moving to his present parish at Watertown, SD.

Greve had been a student in the various departments of the Immanuel College campus for the past ten years. He now lives in an apartment furnished for him by the congregation in the church plant at 402 N. 6th Street in Montevideo.



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schooling at ILC, where she took her studies on the secondary and college level. Prior to that she was a pupil in the Christian Day Schools of Immanuel in Mankato and Messiah in Eau Claire. She is the daughter of Professor and Mrs. C.M. Gullerud of Eau Claire.

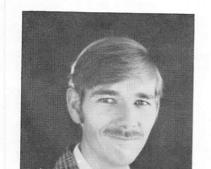
Barbara Ellen Drews



The new principal and teacher of Our Redeemer's Lutheran School in Red Wing, MN, since August 3, when she was installed by Pastor David Lau, is Miss Barbara Drews, a 1975 graduate of the education department of Immanuel College.

Miss Drews was born to Don and Ida Drews in Buffalo, New York. After a five year interlude in Pittsburgh, her family moved to Sunnyvale, CA. Her father is a staff electrical engineer with Kaiser Aluminum of Oakland. Her mother came from Windsor, Canada.

High School years were at Fremont of Sunnyvale. Since 1969 Miss Drews has been a member of St. Stephen of the San Francisco Peninsula, where she was frequently accompanist and organist.



### Mark Jonathan Gullerud

Two from one family! This summer, July 13, marked the ordination and installation also of Mark Jonathan, son of Prof. and Mrs. C.M. Gullerud at ILC. Born, as was his sister Karen, at Mankato, MN,

where his father served Mt. Olive Lutheran Church and Salem Lutheran in Eagle Lake, he moved with the family when Immanuel College was transferred to the Ingram Estate in Eau Claire. He too is a ten-year graduate of the ILC system. For the last three summers he did some assisting with parish work in Hecla and Aberdeen, SD.

while working on ranches.

Gullerud's first assignment in the public ministry is on the west side of the San Francisco Bay Area in a parish that stretches from South San Francisco to San Jose. He is an associate pastor of St. Stephen congregation, called jointly by the congregation and the CLC Board of Missions for a period of one year.

### Dean Carstensen



Mr. Dean Carstensen, another 1975 graduate of the education department of Immanuel Lutheran College, is settled down in Mankato. MN, where he is now the principal and 7-8 grade teacher of Immanuel Lutheran School.

His primary education took place in Sleepy Eye, MN, where his father was working as a public accountant. His procession through the ILC system began in his 10th grade and continued until college graduation. He plans, during the summers, to continue his studies at Mankato State University.

It is likely that Mrs. Carstensen, the former Virginia Hansen of Oaks. ND, who served as supervisor of Ingram Hall at ILC, will have a part in the teaching scene in Mankato. She prepared for the teaching of physical education on the secondary level.

The couple's address: 407 N. Second Street, Mankato, MN 56001

### Theodore W. Barthels

Also coming from the productive Grace congregation in Sleepy Eye is the third of our 1975 Seminary graduates. Theodore Barthels, son of

Pastor and Mrs. George Barthels of - that town, has set up housekeeping in a duplex apartment in Neenah, WI. From there he will do his work as the first resident pastor of one of the

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newest missions of the CLC, Bethlehem Lutheran.

Except for his freshman and sophomore years, taken in Red Wing High School, Barthels was educated in Christian Day Schools of Red Wing, MN, where he was born, and at Immanuel of Eau Claire.

In the midst of the organizational aspects of congregational formation

now, Barthels is looking forward to fostering a church life which is eager in outreach. At present the congregation worships in a rented YWCA facility on Commercial Street (Hwy. 114) and N. Water in Neenah. His address is 1216 Meadow Lane, Neenah, WI 54956. Like all the graduates except Carstensen, he is unmarried.

### Their Spirit

The spirit of these gifts to the church has found fine expression in a letter written by one of the teachers to the calling congregation:

"As I have been called by the Lord Jesus Christ in the name of this congregation to teach your dear children, I pray for the Holy Spirit to bestow His gifts of wisdom and faith, that I may glorify the Savior's name!"

Rollin A. Reim

### Finally, They Meet



For months the visit had been planned. And no one knew how close the time would be for an indefinite postponement of all further planning.

Many had wanted to see a meeting

of Mr. Patrick Udo of Southeast State, Nigeria, and Mr. Oscar Erpenstein of Millbrae, CA. Mr. Udo, a student of theology at ILC Seminary, is a representative figure from what is now known as the Nigerian Church of the Lutheran Confession. Mr. Erpenstein is the member of a CLC congregation who carried on the lengthy initial correspondence with Mr. Udo and other leaders of those churches in Nigeria.

After the spring semester at ILC Mr. Udo was able to make the trip for a week's stay in California. The two discovered an amazing depth of mutual faith and understanding. The Gospel of their Savior had truly knit their hearts together. There were many hours of good talk in the hospitable home of Oscar and Marie.

Then the Lord ended the visit, several days before it was planned.

Early in the morning of June 7 Mr. Erpenstein died, quietly in bed. The earthly mission had passed. The

pilgrim days were ended. His Lord had granted him what he still wanted most in this life, namely to see first-hand some of the fruit of his labor. So his days were crowned with a special form of loving kindness on the part of the Lord who measures our days.

The memorial service was one of victory in the resurrection hope. And with that a kind of satisfaction which is all too rare: knowledge that a special kind of Christian service had been brought to visible fruition by the power of God at work in us and through us.

Mr. Udo extended his stay long enough to speak special words of thanksgiving to God for what has been done for the Nigerian churches through this man's beginning. His presence was a comfort and stimulus for many.

Rollin A. Reim

### After Forty Years — Retirement

"Praise God for sending faithful shepherds!"

This was the concluding note of the letter sent out by Mrs. Marge Maginnis, heading the committee which set about honoring Pastor Martin Galstad, who this summer retired from the public parish ministry after forty years of labor in



that field.

Many will echo that praise of God. For Martin Galstad touched the lives and hearts of many in forty years of gospel teaching. Whether in pulpit or classroom, he was always, preeminently, a teacher. Like the well-trained scribe of Jesus' story, he knew how to bring forth out of his treasure things "old and new." Familiar truth freshly taught; insights ably shared. These were the marks of his ministry.

### Variety, Always

A quick review of Galstad's career shows how wide the range of services are that can come under the name of ministry:

Christian Day School teaching — 2 years while also serving as a vicar with Pastor Norman A. Madson at Princeton, MN.

Parish Pastoral Ministry — Parkland Lutheran, Tacoma, WA, 1935-1940; two congregations at Northwood, Iowa, and Lake Mills, Iowa, 1940-1945; Immanuel Lutheran (CLC), Winter Haven, FL, 1964-1975.

College and Seminary teaching — Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN, 1945-1954; Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN, 1954-1959; Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI, 1963-1964.

High School teaching — Immanuel Lutheran High School, Mankato, MN, 1960-1963.

Writing — Frequent essays for church and education conferences;

staff contributions to the Lutheran Sentinel, The Lutheran Spokesman, and the Journal of Theology.

Management — Several years as trustee and treasurer of the Norwegian Synod.

### An Interlude

Good teaching does not allow for denial in actions of what is offered in precept. The test came during a time of controversy. The severance of a cherished fellowship tie became the price of integrity in witness. It was in those hard days, without a call to serve in the Gospel ministry, that Galstad took the occupation of marketing real estate. This period, however, was quite brief. Soon the newly formed Church of the Lutheran Confession had need of his unique abilities, and he was back in the classroom.

### A New Address

While Immanuel of Winter Haven is calling a pastor, the Rev. Mr. Galstad is continuing to serve as vacancy minister, although his formal resignation took effect on July 1. With the former Eunice Abernathy, his wife of 40 years come November 9, he will will be living at 1036 31st St., NW, in Winter Haven, FL, 33880. When fully relieved of his pastoral duties, everybody expects him to be constructing a patio with building materials given by friends as a token of appreciation for forty years of faithful service.

A way of saying, "Praise God!"

Rollin A. Reim

### The Impossible Dream

In times of economic recession, financial hardship, and perhaps a lack of appreciation for the many blessings God has bestowed upon America, many people perhaps wonder if God ever suffers from a recession!

Because of the many blessings God has showered upon our nation and its have people. we become materialistic society and frequently the complaint unfortunately is voiced by all too many people that there is never enough money to go around. Ask the average American family if they could survive on an annual income of iess than \$10,000 a year and most would scoff at the idea. It would be a mere existence, not really living according to many popular notions of today.

But I wonder how these same people would evaluate their own life's priorities if they were told that such an income is not only sufficient to support a family but did, in fact, during the last year, support a full-time minister, his wife and three children, provided a car allowance, church upkeep, a monthly parsonage payment and a Christian Day School?

You see, that is exactly what was accomplished here at Trinity Lutheran in Denver. The congregation took care of all its responsibilities on less than \$10,000.

Impossible!

No, not even improbable. The truth is, while the nation may be suffering from a recession, God's grace is ever over-flowing in its richness and abundance.

Perhaps you are wondering how this was accomplished from a practical standpoint?

The answer lies in the richness of God's grace working through dedicated, committed practicing Christians. One starts with a core of conservative, orthodox, confessional Lutherans such as we are blessed with in our fellowship here at Trinity. Since it is too small to completely support itself financially, the Board of Missions on behalf of all the people in the CLC subsidize our witness.

Naturally the generosity of its own faithful members and supporters comes into operation. While most mission congregations feel blessed to find a convenient meeting room in a "Y" or school, Trinity was fortunate in that one of its members graciously donated the use of a whole church to the congregation. While old it is still a beautiful and typical little country church within the northern boundaries of the urban Denver area. Next you have another donation to buy materials supplies to add a one-room school and all the members chip in to help construct the new addition Fnthusiasm spills over so much that the interior of the church also gets a new look which certainly enhances any worship service.

With this base already established through the grace of God, add a fulltime pastor and his family who receive a mission scale salary that is adequate for their needs, a trained teacher willing to donate her time and abilities at no cost, a parsonage with small monthly payments and MIRACLES OF MIRACLES, God has provided a church, a school, a pastor, a parsonage, and a teacher all for an annual cost that many Americans would consider inadequate to raise their own families

on in these days.

Is that the impossible dream? Is Trinity's story such a unique miracle of God's?

No, it isn't. You see, Trinity's story is not unique within the Church of the Lutheran Confession. And that, in truth, is the real impossible dream — not that Trinity is so different but that within our fellowship, our story here in Denver has so frequently been repeated. That is the impossible dream.

A miracle — oh, most certainly. But what actions of God aren't in the eyes of man? Praise God from whom all blessings flow...

-G. Frank

## **Daily Devotions**

The last days of David, the King of Israel were often bitter and difficult. We have seen the sad results of Absolom's revolt (II Sam 14-18), the uprising of Sheba (II Sam 19-20), the bloody end of Saul's house (II Sam 21). As David's last hour draws near the Scriptures list his chief officers (II Sam 20:23-26), record his final hymn of praise (II Sam 22), his last prophetic words (II Sam 23:1-7). At this point we have paused to consider (Aug '75 SPOKESMAN), in a devotional way, the Psalms which God inspired David to write. Now we are ready to see how the rulership over God's Chosen People passed from David to Solomon his son. Let us note that with the king's scepter Solomon also received the responsibility of constructing "a house unto the Name of Jehovah God." The building of the Temple would be the grand work of Solomon's reign. For this was not simply to be a "big church" — it was the center of worship for the nation which God had called and shaped and entrusted with the promises of the Savior of the World. Promises which would daily be visualized in the services of the Temple.

#### THE BOOKS OF THE KINGS

The First book of Kings covers about 120 years of Israel's history. It tells how Solomon's 40 year reign began in firmness and glory; ended in weakness and shame. It also records the beginnings of the two kingdoms into which Israel divided at the death of David's son.

The second book of Kings covers about 300 years. It relates the decline, decay, and destruction of both the Northern Kingdom (Israel) and the Southern Kingdom (Judah).

At first these books may seem uninteresting, but with a careful, prayerful approach they will be found full of God-given light and power. They can teach us never to doubt the deadly effects of disobeying our God. They can open our eyes to the enormous seriousness of those first steps away from the Lord and His Word. They show most strikingly that without God nothing can stand for

long - not home, school, or nation.

While disobedient children force God to punish, at the same time the Lord in love still reaches out to rescue and redeem. He sends forth a fiery pastor-evangelist in Elijah the Prophet (I Kings) and a faithful teacher of His Word in Elisha (II Kings).

Note: First and Second Chronicles retell the history related in Samuel and Kings — but from the point of view of the worship-life of the Chosen Nation. Therefore, I Chronicles emphasizes those things which were part of the background and planning for the Temple and its services; while II Chronicles tells of its construction and destruction, II Chronicles also concentrates upon the history of Judah — for during its 389 years there were a number of reformations or revivals in which the people were called back to proper worship of the True God.

Since the book of Chronicles are supplementary, we will use them in this way in our readings.

	I Chron 21 I Chron 22	Ornan's threshing floor — a place of mercy and continuing pardon. Here is the "man after God's heart."
_	I Kgs 1:1-37	The uncorrected (v6) son takes advantage of his father's indulgence
4		and illness. God Save the King!
5 6	I Chron 28 I Chron 29	King, Remember your God! In the Lord's work don't do what is another's, but do all that you can.
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7	I Kgs 2:1-12	David dies, not with thoughts of vengeance, but of concern for his 19 year old son.
8	l Kgs 2:13-46	David's apprehension well-grounded — Solomon's rule well-founded.
9	I Kgs 3:1-15; Prov 3:13-26	What will you pray for tonight?
10	l Kgs 3:16-28; 4:29-34	"All depends on our possessing God's abundant grace and blessing."

#### THE PROVERBS OF SOLOMON

In the Psalms we considered last month God gave us guidance for our daily prayers and worship. In the Proverbs God gives us practical advice for daily living. As one man put it: "The Psalms will tell you how to get along with God, and the Proverbs will tell you how to get along with your fellowman."

There is nothing more important than to know and believe that the Lord Jesus has gotten us right with God by His living, dying, and rising again. There is nothing more certain than that such saving faith will lead us to daily give thanks to our Savior by walking in the Way of the Lord. The Proverbs are short, pithy sayings which make their point through the use of comparisons. In them God teaches us how to live as parents and children, as neighbors and citizens. But let us never forget that the first step of wise and right living is to trust and reverence the Lord. (Prov 1:7) Such fear of the Lord is, of course, worked in our hearts by the Holy Spirit alone.

No man was ever better qualified than Solomon to write, edit and collect words of wisdom. He was a scientist who lectured on botany and zoology. He was a head of state, a general contractor, business executive, a poet and a preacher. This was the instrument the Holy Spirit prepared and used to put together the Book of Proverbs.

Each Proverb is a pearl of wisdom in its own right, and very often it is not all that closely connected in thought with the sayings which precede or follow. So, while we might divide Proverbs in a general way (Chps 1-10: for Young Men; Chps 11-20; for all Men; Chps 21-31: for Rulers) let us rather consider verses and portions according to the areas of life under consideration.

May I suggest? Begin each reading from Proverbs with chapter 1:7; use another translation or paraphrase (Taylor's "Living Bible") alongside your regular Bible; discuss those proverbs which hit home, without delaying over those which perplex or seem to say little to you.

- Oct. 11 The Source of Wisdom: Prov 1:1-7; 2:1-15 (James 1:5).
  - 12 Life's Goals: 3:21-26. The Key to Life: 3:4-8; 8: 13; 22: 17-19.
  - 13 True Values in Life: 3:13-15; 10:22, 27; 11:17, 18, 30; 15:17, 33; 20:7, 15.
  - 14 Peace: 3:30, 31; 15:1; 16:7; 17:14; 20:3; 29:8; 30:33.
  - 15 God's Justice: 29:26; 3:33; 10:30; 11:19, 21, 31; 12:7; 14:11, 32; 24:19-20. His Justice Reflected in His People: 28:5; 13:23; 22:7; 24:11-12.
  - 16 Integrity: 3:27-28; 11:1, 3, 6; 12:13, 17, 22; 13: 5; 15:3; 19:5; 20:10, 21; 21:2-4; 22:1.
  - 17 Friendliness: 12:25; 17:9, 17; 18:24; 27:10, 19.
  - 18 Temper: 12:16; 14:17, 29; 15:18; 16:32; 19:11, 19; 22:24, 25; 25:9-10, 28; 29:20.
  - 19 Tongue: 10:14, 19; 11:12-13; 12:18; 14:3; 15:28; 17:27, 28; 18:6-8; 20:19; 25:18, 23; 26:18-20.
  - 20 Success: 6:6-11; 10:5, 8, 17, 26; 12:11, 24, 27; 13:4, 11; 14:23; 15:19; 16:3, 8-9; 19:21; 20:13; 21:5-6, 17; 22:29; 23:21; 26:13-16; 28:25.
  - 21 Riches: 10:2; 11:4, 28; 13:7; 16:19; 18:11; 19:1; 22:2; 23:4,5; 28:11.
  - 22 Pride: 11:2; 13:10; 16:5, 18; 18:12; 19:3; 27:2; 29:23.
  - 23 Helping the Needy: 11:25; 14:21, 31; 19:17; 21:13; 22:22, 23; 28:27; 29:7; 31:8-9.
  - 24 Marriage: 11:29; 12:4; 14:1; 18:22; 19:14; 21:15, 16; 31:10-31.
  - 25 Child-rearing: 13:24; 19:18; 22:6; 23:13, 14; 29:15, 17.
  - 26 Respect for Parents: 6:20-23; 10:1; 17:25; 19:26; 23:15-16, 22-25; 30:17.
  - 27 Government: 14:35; 16:10, 12; 17:23; 18:5; 20:26, 28; 28:15, 16; 29:2, 4, 12, 14, 16.
  - 28 Health: 14:30; 15:15, 30; 16:24; 17:22; 19:23.
  - 29 Liquor: 20:1; 23:19-20; 23:29-35; 31:4-7.
  - 30 Immorality: 4:23-27; 6:24-35; 23:26-28; 24:8-9; 30:30.

W. V. Schaller

### **Announcements**

#### Wisconsin Pastoral Conference

The fall Pastoral Conference will meet Oct. 6-8, 1975, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 3rd and Madison Ave., Stambaugh, MI, E. H. Rutz, pastor. Sessions will begin on Oct. 6, 1:30 p.m.

Program: Agenda statement on baptism: "...since little children are as yet unable to understand the Gospel, faith cannot be worked in them by telling them of Christ." Is there Scriptural for this Statement? J. Foundation Schaller: In the Ministry of the Keys, are We Bound by the Action of God, or is He Bound by Our Action? Exegesis of John 20:23, Matt. 16:19, Matt. 18:18. Is Matt. 18:15ff a "sedes doctrinas" for Iohannes: excommunication? Ī. Hebrews 8:1ff. Exegesis, Schierenbeck: How to Implement Catechism Memory Work. E. H. Rutz;

The Problem of Members who Live at a Distance. (Fruits of Faith — Church Discipline) J. Sandeen; What Constitutes Merchandising in the Church? G. Radtke: A Review of the Steps for Writing a Sermon. W. Schaller; Communion Service speaker: J. Pfeiffer (W. Schaller).

Please announce to the host pastor: E. H. Rutz, 402 Madison Ave., Stambaugh, MI 49964.

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### Minnesota Pastoral Conference

The Minnesota Pastoral Conference will meet at Faith Lutheran Church, Sanborn, Minnesota, Nov. 9-10, beginning with the evening meal on Nov. 9, followed by an evening session.

Agenda: Continuation of Greek exegesis: I John 3ff, G. Barthels: Continuation of Study in the Formula of Concord: The Adiaphoristic Controversy with the Pertinent Articles, R. Reim; An Exegetical Study of I Cor. 14:1-33 as it pertains to the Current Claimed Charisma of Glossolalia, E. Hallauer: Sermon Study: Deut. 8:6-18 (or any other Thanksgiving text), C. Hanson; A Review of Dr. T. Hardt's Essay: The Babylonian Captivities of the Sacrament of the Altar, G. Sydow; The Implications of All that is Included in the Marriage Vow to Possible Subsequent Separation, R. Mackensen; Is Betrothal as found in Matthew 1 to be Equated with our Current Concept and Practice of Engagement, K. Olmanson.

Announce to the host pastor: Pastor M. Eibs, Box 63, Sanborn, MN 56083.

E. Hallauer, secretary

### CLC Teacher's Conference

The CLC Teachers' Conference will be held October 15, 16, and 17 at Luther Memorial Church and School, 134 21st Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin 54935. Those planning to attend should please announce to the faculty at the above address.

W. Priebe

#### Installation

On August 3, 1975 I installed Miss Barbara Drews as principal and teacher of Our Redeemer's Lutheran School of Red Wing.

David Lau, pastor

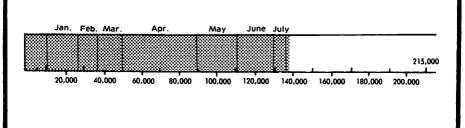
#### ILC Growth

A colored slide presentation of the growth of Immanuel Lutheran College from its beginning in Mankato to its present state at Eau Claire, including the expansion plans now in progress, is available for congregational use from Pastor J. Sandeen, 20 W 451 Army Trail Road, Addison, IL 60101.

The ILC Expansion Committee

### I.L.C. Expansion Receipts

End of August: \$137,199.97



# Treasurer's Report

JULY 1, 1975 to AUGUST 1, 1975

RECEIPTS: Offerings	JULY \$18,376.02	TODATE
TOTAL RECEIPTS DISBURSEMENTS:	\$18,376.02	
Retirement Benefits		
	\$ 825.00	
Capital Investments General Administration	1,921.48	
Missions And Administration	592.89	
	6,909.13	
Immanuel Lutheran College	5,826.50	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$16,075.00	
CASH BALANCE FOR PERIOD	2,301.02	
CASH BALANCE JULY 1, 1975	27,242.49	
CASH BALANCE AUGUST 1, 1975	\$29,543.51	
ILC EXPANSION FUND RECEIPTS	\$6,500.26	\$136,271.18
COMPARATIVE FIGURES		
		1 MONTH
BUDGET OFFERINGS NEEDED	\$19,652.00	\$ 19,652.00
BUDGET OFFERINGS RECEIVED	18,376.02	18,376.02
DEFICIT	\$ 1,275.98	\$ 1,275.98
BUDGET OFFERINGS, 1974-1975	\$11,565.63	
INCREASE, 1975-1976	6,810.39	
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