

"The Friends of St. Paul's Are Always Loyal"

...35th Anniversary...

WEEK OF ACTIVITIES



September 10-17

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10 A. M. THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 7:45 P. M.

COMMUNITY NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 — 7:45 P. M.

OLD TIMERS' NIGHT

REUNION OF CONFIRMATION CLASSES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 — 6:30 P. M.

THE BANQUET

THE REV. HUGO L. DRESSLER, *Speaker*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 7:45 P. M.

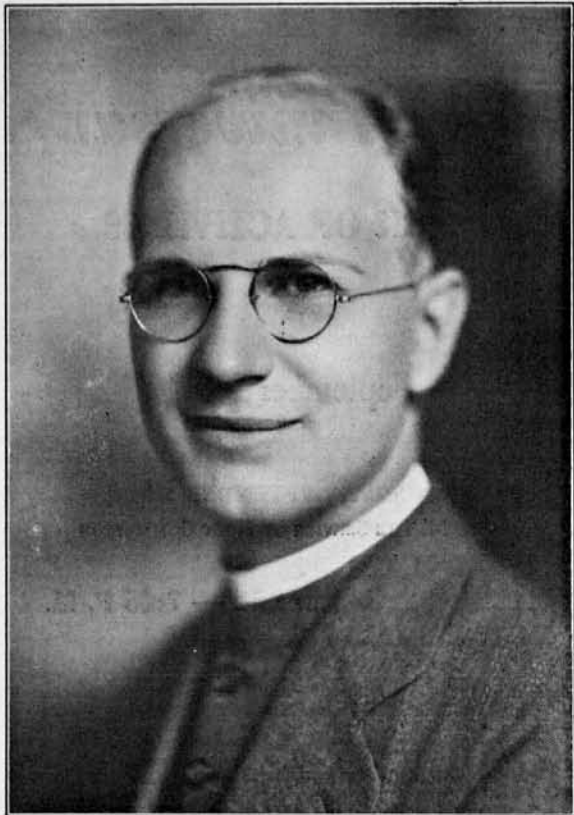
ORGANIZATIONS NIGHT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — 10 A. M.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

THE REV. HENRY J. PFLUM, D. D., *Speaker*

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Anniversary Committee

THE CHURCH COUNCIL

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The Women's Aid Society, the Banquet Dinner
The Ladies' Guild, the Tickets
The Young People's Societies, the Decorations
The Matthew Class, Waiters at the Banquet
Art Work, Alfred Gutzmer

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Dedication

"GOD GIVES US MEMORIES THAT WE MIGHT HAVE ROSES IN DECEMBER"

So said James M. Barrie.



Surely the past is filled with memories, memories of life bound up with you, my people. There is no other institution that is bound up with your memories as your church, where you brot your little ones for baptism, for confirmation, and then for marriage. Is it not the one place in all the world where you could come for cheer and comfort when you laid-away your loved ones unto the resurrection at the last day?

Truly these memories are precious, like "apples of gold in pictures of silver." Silver and gold! The church twines them both together. They are royal colors, the silver of the past, the gold of the present,—threads into which our Lord has woven the infinite beauty of His own life-pattern. And into the crucible of life the Divine has thrown His own lot. He has bound himself up with our destiny.

The incident is told concerning one of the Ptolemies of Egypt. The mighty monarch wished to know if there were not some easier way for him, a potentate, to learn the intricacies of geometry. Euclid, the father of this difficult science said to him "There is no royal road to geometry."

The science of life might seem difficult, but who of you were ever left alone in the hour of need when you turned to the Lord and cried out to him as did Job: "I know that my Redeemer liveth!" Whether your life therefore has been "by the still waters" or "in the valley of the shadow" that Shepherd of Israel is your Lord and mine!

Our anniversary finds us in the throes of trying days. The days of the tragic era following the Civil War were akin to ours. But out of the storm zoomed mighty America because she was "on prophets and apostles built," and with courage and faith the mighty Church blazed the trail for the era of reconstruction and prosperity.

A mighty challenge has been hurled at us,—to go forward! In the days that are to be, days of victory, may it be said of us that we "stood by" when the big Berthas of the Depression tore the ground from under our feet! When the days of political and economic maladjustment are past will you be among those who can say "I was there," when the heroes go marching by?

With the deepest thanksgiving to Him "who is able to keep you from falling" this book is dedicated to those heroes and heroines who together with the Lord have made St. Paul's what she is today.

WILMER M. ZUEHLKE

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Historical Sketch

At a meeting of the Lutheran League on January 14, 1892 it was unanimously agreed to start a mission Sunday School on Joseph Ave. which was then known as St. Joseph St. This was to be known as St. Paul's English Lutheran Mission. It was stipulated that the League would not be called upon to furnish any financial aid in beginning the work, or even in sustaining it, until such a time as it might be thought expedient to purchase a lot and build a chapel. All that was to be asked was a formal authorization of the Trustees to begin the work.

The mission was opened on Sunday, March 7, 1892 in Nagel's Hall, corner of St. Joseph and Herman Streets. Mr. J. M. Miller acted as superintendent, Mr. W. J. Steinhäuser as musical director, and Miss Bertha Bergman as organist. After a brief service the Rev. J. E. Whitteker stated the purpose of the organization. Seventy-four persons attended this first service.

Inasmuch as Nagel's Hall was not adapted to the building up of a mission the Chapel on the corner of Clifford Avenue and Loomis St. was secured, in August of 1892. The work was carried on by the English Lutheran pastors of the city, assisted by the members of the various Lutheran churches and the students of Wagner College. For the nominal sum of two dollars and fifty cents per week the mission was permitted to have an afternoon session of the Sunday School and the privilege of one evening during the week if desired.

The Rev. Louis F. Mayle, then a student at Wagner College, secured funds of more than two hundred dollars in the summer of 1893, at the request of the Lutheran Mission Union.

Preaching services were begun at the beginning of the Advent season, in the year 1894. These services were held at four o'clock, after the Sunday School session, and were conducted by the English Lutheran pastors of the city. They were discontinued in April, 1895, due to the unfavorable hour. The Sunday School grew, but in February, 1897, the trustees of the German M. E. Church stated that the chapel must be vacated within thirty days, inasmuch as they themselves decided to use it exclusively. The Mission Union met the situation by appointing a committee to negotiate with the German M. E. Church for the purchase of the property. Such a purchase was effected on February 23, 1897.

On March 31, 1898, the Church of the Reformation extended a call to the Rev. Louis F. Mayle to become assistant pastor, "with the understanding that his whole duty shall be the oversight and development of St. Paul's Mission, subordinate to and under the direction of the Lutheran Mission Union until such time as a regular congregation is duly and permanently organized, ready by its officers to assume the duties thereof."

July 10, 1898 marked the beginning of evening services. Morning services followed on September 4. A constitution was adopted on September 7, and signed by the pastor and the following persons.—Mr. George L. Beesch, Mr. Jacob Salzer, Mrs. Jacob Salzer, Mrs. Louis Beesch, Mrs. Edward Arbaker and Mr. Valentine Frank. On September 14 officers were elected. In the meantime fourteen other persons became members by signing the constitution. Mr. Jacob Salzer, Mr. George L. Beesch, Mr. D. Webster Redding, Jr., Mr. John Henn and Mr. Ernest Spuck were elected deacons. The Rev. Mr. Mayle was called to the pastorate and installed on October 23, 1898.

On March 28, 1899 the Mission Union transferred the property on the corner of Clifford and Loomis Streets to St. Paul's for the amount of the mortgage resting upon it, which was \$2500, the Mission Union having paid the Methodist Church \$3250 for the same.

The church edifice was entirely rebuilt and enlarged. A house west of the church was purchased and enlarged for use as a parsonage. The pipe organ was installed in the spring of 1907.

Under the able leadership of Pastor Mayle the membership in Church and Sunday School grew rapidly. On December 1, 1910 Pastor Mayle relinquished the work, due to ill health. It would be difficult to overestimate the splendid and heroic work accomplished by the Rev. Mr. Mayle.

The Rev. Waldo E. Murray was then called to the pastorate, and was installed on November 27, 1910. Coming to the church at a critical period of its history, Pastor Murray labored patiently and with a grace of Christian character that is remembered today. Mr. Murray resigned the pastorate on August 10, 1915.

On September 28, 1915, the Rev. John W. Smith was elected pastor. He assumed charge on December 5, and was installed on January 30, 1916. On July 1, 1920, the mortgage resting against the Church was cancelled, and the congregation was free of debt. In 1922 the Church building was enlarged. The congregation was molded into a solid unit.

Due to ill health Mr. Smith was obliged to tender his resignation, which was presented to the congregation on June 24, 1928. The congregation, deeply affected by this blow, extended him a year's leave of absence.

On August 18, 1928 the Rev. Wilmer M. Zuehlke was called as ad interim pastor, his pastorate to continue in the event that Pastor Smith could not resume the work. Mr. Zuehlke arrived on the field on October 1st. Pastor Smith, being unable to return, the present pastor was elected to the office on July 1, 1929, and installed on Sunday evening, September 8, 1929.

A new parsonage was purchased on Netherton Road in November of 1929. During the fall and winter of 1929 the old parsonage was converted into a parish house, and dedicated on January 26, 1930. The second floor of the parish house was then fitted out as an apartment for the sexton.

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Service of the Holy Communion

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 — 10:00 O'CLOCK

ORGAN PRELUDE
 PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 367—"I Need Thee, Precious Jesus"
 THE SERVICE
 THE LESSONS
 THE NICENE CREED—Page 16, Large Hymnal; 11, Small
 THE OFFERTORY
 THE ANTHEM—"My Faith Looks up to Thee" *Wohler*
 HYMN No. 348—"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"
 ORDER FOR PUBLIC CONFESSION—Page 266, Large Hymnal; 405, Small
 HYMN No. 337—"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"
 THE HOLY COMMUNION—Page 21, Large Hymnal; 18, Small
 THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION
 THE AGNUS DEI
 THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT
 THE NUNC DIMITTIS
 THE THANKSGIVING
 THE BENEDICTION
 RECESSIONAL HYMN No. 360—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"
 THE PASTOR, *Celebrant*

TUESDAY EVENING — 7:45 O'CLOCK

COMMUNITY NIGHT

ORGAN PRELUDE
 PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 295—"Blessing and Honor, and Glory and Power"
 THE VERSICLE (read responsively)
 O Lord, open Thou my lips:
 And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.
 Make haste, O God, to deliver me:
 Make haste to help me, O Lord.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
 THE PSALM No. 122—"I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me"
 THE GLORIA
 THE LESSON
 GREETINGS BY VISITING PASTORS
 HYMN No. 490—"My Country, 'tis of Thee"
 OFFERTORY
 ANTHEM—"The Lost Chord" *Sullivan*
 GREETINGS BY VISITING PASTORS
 THE PRAYER
 Lord, have mercy upon us:
 Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.
 THE LORD'S PRAYER—chanted
 The Lord be with you:
 And with thy spirit
 THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY
 Bless we the Lord:
 Thanks be to God.
 THE BENEDICTION
 RECESSIONAL HYMN No. 437—"Saviour, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"

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WEDNESDAY EVENING — 7:45 O'CLOCK

OLD TIMERS' NIGHT

SING
 STRING QUARTET
 OLD FASHIONED PORTRAITS
 MUSICAL NOVELTY BY MR. W. GERSTNER AND MR. C. WELCH
 PORTRAITS IN SILHOUETTE BY MR. WILLIAM UEHLEN
 ADDRESS BY THE REV. WILLIAM LONG DOWLER
 REFRESHMENTS

THURSDAY EVENING — 6:30 O'CLOCK

ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

ORCHESTRA
 INVOCATION
 TOASTMASTER—the Pastor
 SING—Mr. Jacob Brown
 ADDRESS BY THE REV. WALTER KRUMWIEDE
 QUARTET
 ADDRESS BY THE REV. HUGO DRESSLER, Buffalo, N. Y., Pres. Western Conference

FRIDAY EVENING — 7:45 O'CLOCK

ORGANIZATIONS' NIGHT

SING
 MISSIONARY SOCIETY. "Ba Thane," a drama in Burma by Edna Baldwin
 Presented by the Genesee Players
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 CHOIR—Musical Selections
 WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY—Reminiscing
 THE YOUNG LADIES' GUILD—"An Old Family Album"
 SUNDAY SCHOOL—"The Awakening of Brother Tightwad"
 REFRESHMENTS

The Anniversary Service

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — 10:00 O'CLOCK

ORGAN PRELUDE
 PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 158—"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"
 THE SERVICE
 THE INTROIT
 THE KYRIE
 THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS
 THE COLLECT
 ANTHEM—"O Come, Let Us Worship" *Mendelssohn*
 THE EPISTLE LESSON
 ANTHEM
 THE GOSPEL LESSON
 THE CREED
 HYMN No. 129—"Beautiful Saviour!"
 THE SERMON—The Rev. Henry J. Pflum, Jr., D. D., Buffalo, N. Y.
 THE PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
 THE OFFERTORY
 ANTHEM—"I Will Sing of Thy Power" *Sullivan*
 ANNOUNCEMENTS
 HYMN No. 256—"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"
 THE BENEDICTION
 RECESSIONAL HYMN No. 431—"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"
 The Pastor, *Liturgist*

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