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## Rochester N.Y.



Rochester, N. Y. February 1918.

Dear Friend:

Please make no engagement for Sunday, March 3rd, and be ready to receive visitors! A committee from your church will call on you on that day between two and seven o'clock in the afternoon.

The purpose of this visit is briefly set forth as follows: The committee will come to you with greetings of Christian fellowship, they will lay before you the needs of your church and appeal to you for its support.

It is needless to remind you that our beloved church is passing just now through the most critical period of its existence. We must weather the storm and, God helping, we will! Let us all stand together like a noble band of valiant and faithful pilgrims on their journey through the desert to the homeland! Let us gratefully remember the blessings of the past by cheerfully increasing our sacrifices in the future! Remember too that the church of God has a rightful claim on our love which is not even surpassed by that of home and country.

These are the grounds upon which the Committee will plead with you for your best possible effort in supporting your church during the coming year.

Our 50 or more canvassers will report the result of their labor at the close of the Lenten service at the church on Sunday evening, March 3rd, and we have no doubt that your name will be found among those who have agreed to increase their pledge for 1918. We invite you to this service and hear the report. May the Lord's abundant blessing rest upon you for responding to this appeal.

With fervent wishes for a greater and better St. Paul's we remain

Faithfully yours,  
the Pastor and the Church-Council.

The following budget for the year 1918 was adopted by the members at their regular meeting:

Salary of the Pastor	\$1,400.00
" " " Organist	300.00
" " " Janitor	420.00
Interest to Roch. Sav. Bank	397.50
" on \$500.00 note to Citizens Bank	30.00
Water tax	10.00
Gas & Electric light bills	125.00
Coal	250.00
Bote	100.00
Printing and postage	150.00
Budget expense	30.00
Repairs	100.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,462.50</b>



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## Zum 400jährigen Reformations-Jubiläum.

Wir leben in dem Jubeljahr!  
O, singe Gott dem Herrn zu Ehren,  
Trophäe, alle Christenchar!  
Ihr Zionsfänger, laßt euch hören  
Und stimmt freud erfüllt mit ein:  
Nun laßt uns alle fröhlich sein!

Befinget Gottes Wundertat,  
Die er vor viermal hundert Jahren  
Durch Luther ausgerichtet hat,  
Laßt wiederum die Welt erfahren:  
Es steht wie ein Fels im Meer  
Das Wort des Herrn und Luthers Lehr'!

O, nehmt zur Hand das Saitenspiel,  
Die matten Seelen zu erquickten, —  
Der müden Streiter sind zu viel,  
Sie lassen sich das Ziel verrücken —  
Erhebet unsres Glaubens Fahnen!  
Und schwingt sie jubelnd himmelan!

O, laßt uns mit Jubelsang  
Und Dankespsalmen Gott erhöhen,  
Dieweil sein Wort die Welt durchdrang  
Wie Donnerhall und Frühlingswehen;  
Wo diese Gnadenfonne lacht:  
Da weicht des Irrwahn's finst're Nacht.

Dir, Herr, wir wollen dankbar sein,  
Daß Du Dein Wort uns lässest scheinen:  
Bald bricht der jüngste Tag herein,  
Dann führst Du aus der Welt die Deinen,  
Und dann beginnt für uns fürwahr  
Das aller schönste Jubeljahr!

(Abendschule.)

## Die 400-jährige Reformationsfeier.

Im Mittelpunkt des Interesses in protestantischen Kreisen überall steht gegenwärtig die Feier des 400jährigen Jubiläums der Reformation. Jeder protestantische Christ sollte mit der weittragenden Bedeutung dieser Feier vertraut sein. Der nachfolgende, aus der „Abendschule“ entnommene Artikel möge die Aufmerksamkeit unserer Leser beanspruchen:

Ein Wendepunkt der Zeit brach an für alle Welt, als vor 400 Jahren — am 31. Oktober 1517 — Luther an der Schloßkirche zu Wittenberg in Sachsen seine 95 Thesen wider den Ablassfug anschlug. Es waren 95 Nägel in den Sarg eines entarteten Christentums! Der Widerhall seiner Hammerschläge klang alljährlich und klingt sonderlich am 400jährigen Reformations-Jubiläum weit und breit in der ganzen Welt in den Herzen und den Lob- und Dankliedern aller, die sich der durch Luther ihnen wiedergegebenen offenen Bibel und damit der Fundamentallehre von der Rechtfertigung eines Sünders vor Gott, nämlich des freien Heils durch Gnade, freuen und trösten und denen damit die religiöse und zugleich die bürgerliche Freiheit zuteil geworden ist. Daß Luther ein Deutscher war — wahrlich, das Deutschtum der ganzen Welt hat allen Grund, darauf stolz zu sein! Keine andere Nationalität hat einen Mann von gleicher Geistesgewalt aufzuweisen. Selbst wenn er seine Sache nicht zum Siege geführt hätte — und er hatte in dem Papst und seinen Alliierten gegen eine Hierarchie und Weltmacht sondergleichen zu kämpfen —, schon seine unbegleimte Tapferkeit, sein Glaubensheldenmut, seine gottesgewisse Persönlichkeit, schon der Schlaghammer seiner Rede, der den Deutschen die klangvolle Sprache schmiedete, würde ausreichen, ihn zu einem der größten der Menschenkinder zu machen. Aber er ist weit mehr



als der eiserne Held, als der ungebrochene Kämpfer, er ist, mit einem Worte, der Reformator. Und damit gehört er keineswegs dem Deutschtum allein, sondern der ganzen Welt; er hat das Christentum nicht bloß für das deutsche Volk, sondern für die Menschheit gerettet. Gibt es überhaupt noch in der Welt eine „Humanity“ und „Democracy“, gibt es auf Erden noch heute christliche Lehre und wahres Christentum, die freie, offene Bibel und ihre Heilslehren, daraus alle Segnungen für die Menschen, für die Kirche und für den Staat fließen, — durch die Reformation sind sie geworden!

Der amerikanische Staatsmann John Jay schreibt (1883): Kein Land hat mehr Ursache als diese Republik, sich mit Dankbarkeit der Segnungen zu erinnern, welche Luther für die Welt erringen half durch seine Verteidigung der Gedanken- und Gewissensfreiheit. Obgleich zur Zeit seiner Geburt Amerika noch nicht entdeckt war, so ist doch sein weitreichender Einfluß heute fühlbar vom Atlantischen bis zum Stillen Meere und half den nördlichen Kontinent mit Kolonisten bevölkern, welche auf Grund der biblischen Wahrheiten für die Freiheit das Fundament legten.

Ohne die Reformation würde in Europa, wie in Italien, Spanien und Portugal, noch heute der Papst herrschen, Nordamerika würde wie die südamerikanischen Länder, wo erst seit kurzem das Licht der Reformation in Brasilien erstrahlt, noch heute unter seiner Herrschaft stehen. Luther war der erste, welcher seit tausend Jahren das Wort des Herrn: „Gebet dem Kaiser, was des Kaisers ist, und Gott, was Gottes ist.“ und: „Mein Reich ist nicht von dieser Welt“, wieder dahin auslegte, daß Kirche und Staat getrennt sein sollen. Luthers Schriften drangen nicht nur nach England, von England kam auch ein Wm. Tyndale zu Luther nach Wittenberg und übersetzte dort, in Köln, Worms und Marburg die Bibel (King James oder Authorized Bible), und gerade die Gründer unserer Republik, die aus England kamen und die Unabhängigkeitserklärung erließen, stellten an die Spitze der Landesverfassung den Grundsatz, „daß alle Menschen gleich erschaffen und mit unveräußerlichen Rechten ausgestattet sind, zu welchen Leben und Freiheit gehören; und um diese Rechte zu sichern, sind Regierungen zu errichten, die ihre rechtmäßige Gewalt von der Zustimmung der Regierten erhalten müssen.“ Woher hatten diese Staatsmänner solche Erkenntnis? Etwa von Rom, der Welt-Hierarchie? Die bürgerliche Freiheit dämmerte, als Luther seine 95 bahnbrechenden Thesen an-

schlug, aus dem quillenden Vorne der Heiligen Schrift entströmte auch sie den Völkern! Doch sie war nicht Gottes größte Gnadentat, die Luther als Gottes Rüstzeug der Welt wiedergeben durfte. „Die Krone seiner Lehre“, sagt sehr treffend Dr. C. G. Barth, „welche seitdem das Kleinod der wahren evangelischen Kirche geblieben ist, war das, daß er der eigenen Werkgerechtigkeit Stumpf und Stiel ausrottete und den Glauben an die freie Gnade Gottes in Christo Jesu, der die Gottlosen gerecht macht, an ihre Stelle pflanzte. Seines Namens und seines Werkes wird nicht vergessen werden, so lange es Christen gibt, die durch Gottes Wort sich leiten lassen auf ihrem Wege.“ Mit der Reformation trat ein Wendepunkt der Zeit ein. Wendezzeiten sind aber oft behende Zeiten, von denen das Wohl oder Wehe von Jahrtausenden abhängen kann. Auf der Zeitenwage werden gegenwärtig durch den schaurigsten Weltkrieg alle Völker der Erde gewogen: sie alle sind direkt oder indirekt in Mitleidenschaft gezogen. Und an dem Büglein der Zeitenwage hängt in dieser letzten Gnadenzeit für alle Mitbeteiligten und alle Mitleidenden die e i n e, g l e i c h e Hauptfrage: Soll es sich neigen auf die Seite des Tyrannen dieser Welt, der wie noch nie mit einem Lügenfeldzug sie heute durchgiftet, oder auf die Seite Jesu und seines Reiches? Hammerschläge von Wittenberg, dröhnen, dröhnen wieder durch alle Welt, dröhnen jubelnd nach 400 Jahren! Gott ließ „einen Engel fliegen mitten durch den Himmel, der hatte ein ewig Evangelium, zu verkündigen denen, die auf Erden sitzen und wohnen, und allen Völkern und Geschlechtern und Sprachen und Völkern; und sprach mit großer Stimme: Fürchtet Gott und gebet ihm die Ehre, denn die Zeit seines Gerichts ist kommen, und betet an den, der gemacht hat Himmel und Erde und Meer und die Wasserbrunnen.“

#### Das Kriegssteuergesetz.

Longfellow, einer unserer besten Dichter, schrieb einst (in „Arsenal at Springfield“):

Were half the power that fills the world with  
terror,  
Were half the wealth bestowed on camps and  
forts  
Given to redeem the human mind from error,  
There were no need of arsenals and forts.

Mit Kübeln schöpft heute Mars hüben und drüben das Geld aus dem Vorne der Volkseinkommen, um es in den gurgelnden Schlund eines Ungeheuers zu schütten, das mit uner-



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wahrnehmen und zum Jubelfeste des Vereins unsere Witte um Applikationen neuer Mitglieder kräftig erneuern. Der Pastor oder irgend ein Glied des Vereins sind recht gern zur Erteilung irgend welcher Auskunft bereit. Man möge sich doch unverzüglich melden.

Die Ankündigungen der besonderen Feiern anlässlich des Jubiläums, sowie andere interessante und wissenswerte Mitteilungen finden sich an anderer Stelle des „Bote“.

### Unser Baukomitee.

Es wird wohl von den zahlreichen Freunden und Anhängern unserer Gemeinde, denen der Bau unserer neuen Kirche am Herzen liegt, als selbstverständlich angenommen, daß sich die Glieder des Baukomitees seit den denkwürdigen Tagen unserer Kampagne eifrig mit der Beratung und Ausarbeitung der Pläne beschäftigt haben.

Jedermann, der nur eine oberflächliche Vorstellung von dem Umfang dieser Arbeit und der damit verbundenen Verantwortlichkeit hat, wird es begreiflich finden, daß Tage und Wochen vergehen müssen, ehe der Bau tatsächlich in Angriff genommen werden kann. Nichtsdestoweniger sind wir der guten Zuversicht, daß uns der bevorstehende Sommer miten in der Arbeit finden wird.

Nur die Liebe zur Sache kann die Glieder des Komitees vor der Ermüdung in den beständigen Opfern an Zeit und Kraft bewahren. Wir wollen ihnen darum die Hände und die Herzen stärken durch unsere Fürbitte bei dem Herrn, dessen Kraft allezeit in den Schwachen mächtig ist. Wissen wir es doch: „Wo der Herr nicht das Haus bauet, da arbeiten umsonst, die daran bauen.“

Unser getreuer Schatzmeister, Herr Sieb, berichtet, daß die Einzahlung der versprochenen Beiträge zur Baufasse nach Wunsch erfolgt, und das ist ja auch ein wesentliches Erfordernis. Die gewissenhafte und freundliche Sinebung, mit welcher sich unser genialer Schatzmeister der Erfüllung seiner Pflichten widmet, läßt uns immer deutlicher erkennen, daß wir mit seiner Ernennung für diesen Posten eine geschickte Wahl getroffen haben. Wie schwierig mitunter die zu lösenden Probleme für ihn sind, das läßt sich am besten an einem ganz konkreten Fall illustrieren. Er erhielt nämlich in der vergangenen Woche mit der Post einen Check, welcher außer dem angegebenen Betrage von \$6.25 keinen Anhaltspunkt enthielt, welcher nur im geringsten auf die Identität des gütigen Senders schließen ließ! Einen derartigen Beitrag zu kreditieren,

das vermag auch der geschickteste Finanzier nicht; wir dürfen aber getrost die zufriedenstellende Erledigung dieser rätselhaften Angelegenheit unserem Schatzmeister überlassen. Er wird schon Rat wissen. Inzwischen meldet sich vielleicht auch der freundliche Check-Sender ohne Namen.

Der Schreiber hat schon an mehr als einem Kirchbau-Komitee gedient, und hat Erfahrungen verschiedenster Art gesammelt, aber er darf es zu seiner Freude und zur Ehre unseres Komitees konstatieren, daß die Glieder desselben es verstehen, in einmütiger und vernünftiger Weise miteinander zu arbeiten. In Meinungsverschiedenheiten, welche im Interesse der guten Sache von absoluter Notwendigkeit sind, fehlt es nicht, aber der ebenso notwendige Ausgleich und die bereitwillige Unterordnung der Minorität unter die Majorität sichert stets die besten Resultate. So soll es sein und so möge es allezeit bleiben.

### Gott, unser Land behüte!

Gott, unser Land behüte  
In dieser bösen Zeit  
Durch Deine große Güte  
Vor allem Krieg und Streit!  
Laß herrschen Ruh' und Frieden  
In unserm lieben Staat  
Und leite uns hienieden  
Auf Deines Wortes Pfad.

Wir sind gar schwache Menschen  
Und taugen nichts ohn' Dich;  
Drum bitten wir von Herzen:  
Schenk' uns die Zuversicht,  
Daß wir in allen Nöten  
Getrost, mit gutem Mut,  
Stet's zu Dir fleh'n und beten:  
Nimm uns in Deine Hut!

Der Obrigkeit verleihe  
Stets Weisheit und Verstand,  
Daß sie mit Schutz erfreue  
Das liebe Vaterland.  
Mit Deiner großen Stärke  
Sei Du ihr rechter Schutz  
Und gib', daß ihre Werke  
Nur stiften Fried' und Ruh.

Herr, lehr' uns recht erkennen,  
Daß wir aus Deiner Gnad'  
Uns Jesu Jünger nennen  
In einem freien Staat.  
Vergib uns unsre Sünden  
Durch Christi Blut und Tod  
Und laß uns Rettung finden  
In aller Angst und Not.



Uns der Gemeinde für die Gemeinde.

Unsere Kranken haben im verflossenen Monat viel Sorge bereitet.

Herr August Frey hatte einen schlimmen Rückfall erlitten und hat viel Schmerzen ausgestanden. Gott der Herr aber ist gnädig gewesen und hat die Gefahr wieder beseitigt, so daß der liebe Bruder sich gegenwärtig auf dem Wege der Besserung befindet.

Frau Margarethe Koch liegt in großer Schwäche darnieder; das langjährige Leiden hat die betagte Mutter derart entkräftet, daß sie nunmehr fast ganz hilflos ist. Kurz nach Ostern empfing sie das hl. Abendmahl.

Lucy, die erwachsene Tochter der Frau Grefens, erkrankte plötzlich. Zu mitternächtlicher Stunde haben wir sie in's Hospital gebracht, woselbst sie sich einer Operation unterziehen mußte. Durch Gottes Beistand ist alles günstig verlaufen und dürfte die Kranke in wenigen Wochen sich wieder im Kreise ihrer Lieben befinden.

Wenige Tage nach ihrer Konfirmation erkrankte Emily Meyer am Scharlachfieber so heftig, daß ihr Zustand einige Tage lang zu den ernstesten Befürchtungen Anlaß gab. Ihre Abwesenheit in der Kirche am Ostersonntag im Kreise der konfirmierten Kinder wurde schmerzlich empfunden. Noch in derselben Woche erhielt sie auf ihren eigenen Wunsch das hl. Abendmahl. Auch hier hat Gottes erbarmende Liebe gewaltet; die Krisis ist glücklich überstanden und die Genesung steht in Aussicht.

Obwohl längere Zeit leidend, kam doch das Hinscheiden der Frau Dorothea Leibold plötzlich und unerwartet. Am Mittag saß sie noch mit ihren Lieben am Tisch und schon zwei Stunden später hatte Gott der Herr sie heimgerufen. Wer weiß, wie nahe mir mein Ende!

Durch das unerwartete Abscheiden des Herrn Julius Schult hat der grausame Krieg in Europa, wenigstens in indirekter Weise, auch hier ein Opfer gefordert. Der Bedauernde hat so schwer unter dem Eindruck der schrecklichen Ereignisse gelitten, daß er in geistiger Unmacht im verzweifeltsten Kampfe mit sich selbst unterlag.

Unter den Leidenden, welche zu Ostern das hl. Abendmahl auf dem Krankenlager empfingen, befand sich auch der langjährige Dulder, Herr Nebmann. „Des Christen Herz auf Rosen geht, wenn's mitten unter'n Kreuze steht.“

Die junge Frau Voas liegt noch immer leidend im Hospital darnieder. Das junge Eheglück hat schon schwere Prüfungen durchgemacht.

Einer schweren Operation hat sich auch Herr Meth unterzogen. In seinem kofigen Heim an der Scottsville Road geht er unter der liebevollen Pflege seiner jungen Gattin seiner Genesung entgegen. Auch in diesem Hause spürt man den Sonnenschein eines inneren Friedens, denn hier wohnt der Herr.

Frl. Helen Schaad, welche eine Zeit lang an's Bett gefesselt war, ist gottlob auf dem Wege der Besserung.

Von schwerem Leiden hat sich der hochbetagte Herr Andrew Naudzi soweit wieder erholt, daß er das Krankenlager zeitweilig verlassen kann. Auch ihm wurde zu Ostern das hl. Abendmahl gereicht.

Die im hohen Greisenalter stehende Frau Kath. Pfeiffer, welche schon seit mehreren Monaten an das Krankenlager gefesselt ist, wartet ebenfalls auf den Tag des Herrn.

Die unserer Sonntagschule in der Kapelle angehörige Louise Pagels hat bei einem bedauerlichen Unfall einen doppelten Armbruch erlitten. Günstige Aussicht auf Heilung ist gottlob vorhanden.

Zu ihrem und unserem aufrichtigen Bedauern ist es dem betagten Ehepaar August und Wilhelmine Pasch immer noch nicht möglich, an den Gottesdiensten ihrer langjährigen Gewohnheit gemäß teilzunehmen. Wir wünschen ihnen zur recht baldigen Erlickung Gottes Beistand.

Adressveränderungen unserer Glieder sind gefl. beim Gemeindefretär, Herrn F. W. Popp, 424 Ridgeway Avenue, zu melden.

Die dreißigjährige Jubiläumsfeier unseres Männer - Unterstützungsvereins wird in einem Festgottesdienst am Sonntag Morgen, den 29. April, und einem Bankett am Dienstag Abend, den 1. Mai, zum Ausdruck kommen. Unsere Männer werden sich alle beteiligen.

Herr H. S. Patterson, welcher bei der Gemeinde in gutem Angedenken steht, ist bereits wieder in Rochester, diesmal im Interesse der Deyen Ave. Presbyterianer-Kirche, welche in einem Zeitraum von zwei Wochen die Summe von \$25,000 für ihre Baukasse zu sammeln gedenkt. Das erfolgreiche Unternehmen der St. Pauls Gemeinde hat also auch anderwärts Appetit gemacht. Wir wünschen viel Erfolg.


Die diesjährige Konferenz des New York Distriktes der Synode wird in den Tagen vom 7. bis 11. Juni in der Trinitatis - Kirche an der Child - Straße stattfinden. Es wird also auch unserer Gemeinde Gelegenheit geboten, den allemal erhebenden Gottesdiensten beizuwohnen. Nähere Angaben werden in der nächsten Ausgabe des „Vote“ erscheinen.

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## HISTORICAL

1862—February 18th. St. Paul's Evangelical Church organized. Charter membership 40. September 3rd. Present church building on North Fitzhugh Street dedicated.

1905—A modernly equipped Sunday School Building was constructed at rear of Church building.

1915—July. Because of the encroachment of business and the character of the community becoming essentially commercial, unanimous decision to seek a new and more promising field of activity and also to offer for sale the church property on Fitzhugh Street was adopted.

November. Lot purchased and Chapel established and regular church services begun at corner Norton and Jewel Streets. The tremendous success which has attended the efforts of this Chapel organization is a justification that the Congregation has acted wisely and well in proposing the removal from the downtown section to the new location.

1917—January. A campaign to raise \$10,000 proposed to be added to the \$25,000 now held by the Church Trustees in realty holdings and available assets.

## STATISTICAL

Church Membership.....	300
Two Adult Bible Classes—Enrollment.....	70
Ladies' Aid Society (Altar).....	101
Men's Benevolent Society.....	47
Sunday School Enrollment.....	275
Ladies' Sewing Circle (Chapel).....	40
Cradle Roll.....	53

## FINANCIAL

To unencumbered realty holdings	\$25,000
To raise in Campaign.....	10,000
By estimated cost, building and equipment .....	\$35,000
	\$35,000 \$35,000

## NEW LOCATION

Corner Norton and Jewel Streets. Size of lot 213 x 143 feet. This location is at a strategic point in a rapidly growing section of the city of Rochester; St. Paul's is the only church organization in the midst of five thousand people living within the territory bounded by Clinton Avenue on the east; Avenue A on the south; St. Paul street on the west; and the Ridge Road on the north—a territory comprising two square miles.

## FIELD

Possibly no greater field of endeavor is so promising and fertile in Rochester to-day. Practically all the citizenship is made up of native-born Americans, thrifty and progressive, in this purely residential section. A test of the field has been made; regular well attended chapel services for the last fifteen months and a present enrollment of one hundred and twenty-five children in the Sunday School, representing parents of several denominations, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, and many children who have never been identified with any church Sunday School, confirm the test. The people of this community, regardless of denomination or church affiliation, are heartily rejoicing over the prospect of this new church building in their midst inasmuch as distance, carfare and time are elements in their consideration.

## BUILDING PLANS

The building plans as now formulated call for a modern, fireproof structure of brick with concrete and stone foundation; the main entrance being at the corner facing Norton Street. The addition of a modern, up-to-date Sunday School building to be postponed some years until needs become so pressing that additional room is imperative. The dimensions of Church Auditorium proper to be 76 feet front on Norton Street with a depth of 82 feet on Jewel Street.

BASEMENT plan consists of accommodations for Sunday School work, being divided off into three large apartments with rolling doors between so that they can be made into one. Primary department, 17 x 45 feet; Junior department 30 x 64 feet; Intermediate department, 17 x 50 feet. These rooms also will be used as dining room and social parlors. A modern, well equipped kitchen, 12 x 22 feet, with serving room, 12 x 17 feet to be featured also; a trustees' room, 17 x 20 feet, will also feature the basement. Adequate place having been allowed for Janitor's room and coal bin. AUDITORIUM will consist of a circular amphi-theatre seating upon an inclined floor with capacity for 500, with gallery 155 extra. The Chancel, located in the side center, will include altar, pulpit, choir and organ; to the left will be the pastor's study, 10 x 14 feet; to the right the choir room, 10 x 18 feet. The south side of the building proper to be constructed in a temporary manner, thus making allowance for the addition of Sunday School building in future years.

## CHURCH GOVERNMENT

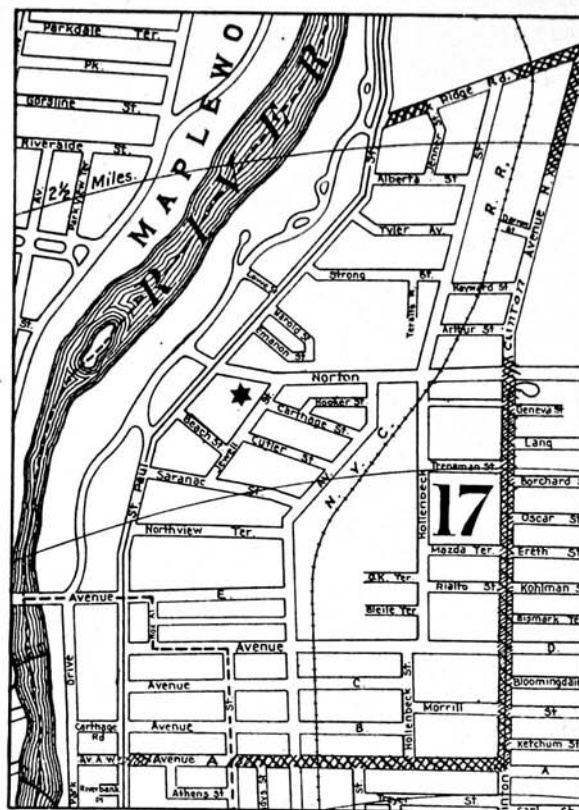
St. Paul's Evangelical Church belongs to that branch of the Protestant Church known as the German Evangelical Synod of North America. As a church it is in alignment with the Lutheran Church of America (both German and English) and the Reformed Church of America and in its government and policy very much akin to the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. In Rochester, there are four churches of this same denomination, as follows:

St. Paul's Evangelical Church.  
Salem Evangelical Church.  
Trinity Evangelical Church.  
Christ Evangelical Church.

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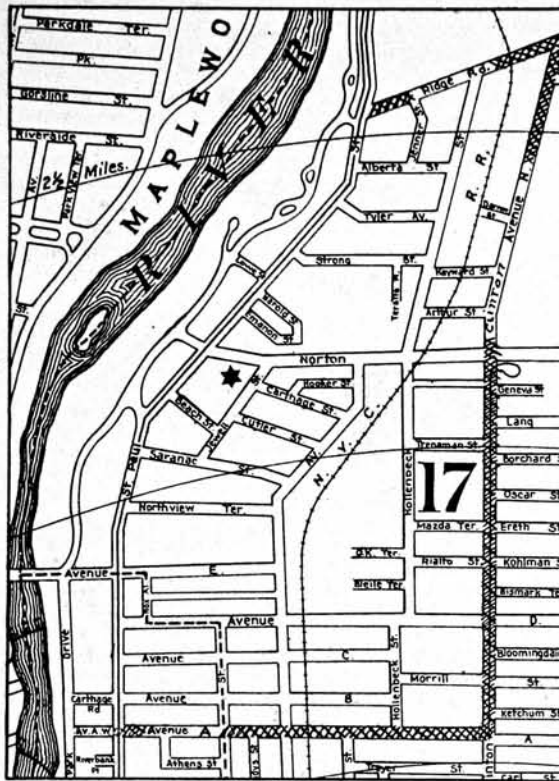
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# **The Church in the City**

**A SERVICE  
For Use in Congregations and Sunday Schools  
on  
HOME MISSION DAY**



**November 10, 1929**

"Give us to build our cities pure,  
Salvation throned above;  
To shelter lowly homes from ill,  
And tune our mills with love."

**Issued by**

**The Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States  
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## FOREWORD

For the last twenty-five years the Congregations and Sunday Schools of the Reformed Church in the United States have observed annually on the second Sunday of November HOME MISSION DAY when some phase of mission work in the homeland receives special consideration. In this way during this quarter of a century practically every aspect of the Church's activity in the Home Mission field has been presented. And what a vast and varied work it is! The Board of Home Missions furnishes material and offers its aid in the form of a stated Service to guide congregations and Sunday Schools in the proper observance of the day. This year the title of the Service is "The Church in the City." In Home Mission circles the special study for the current year is "The City." This Service, therefore, is intended to be in harmony with this general theme. In narrative and in hymns the problems of the modern city are set forth. The best results can be reached by rendering the Service as a unit from beginning to end.

It is customary, also, to designate a specific Mission or cause to which the special offerings of the Day are to be devoted. The Board of Home Missions has selected the

### DEWEY AVENUE MISSION, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

as this year's Home Mission Day beneficiary. This is a typical Mission in an enterprising city. It is expected that every Sunday School throughout the Reformed Church will not only make full use of this Service which the Board furnishes without cost, but will also make a generous offering and send it to Mr. Joseph S. Wise, the Treasurer of the Board, to be applied in providing proper equipment for the Mission.

We bespeak your full measure of cooperation.

CHARLES E. SCHAEFFER,  
General Secretary

## ORDER OF SERVICE

HYMN—Tune, "Laudes Domini"—19, The Hymnal of the Reformed Church.

(To be used as a processional where the School enters the main body of the Church. To make the occasion as colorful and impressive as possible it is suggested that the Cross of Christ, the ensign of Conquest and the flag of our Nation be carried or displayed.)

When morning gilds the skies,  
My heart awaking cries,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
Alike at work and prayer,  
To Jesus I repair:  
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Whene'er the sweet church bell  
Peals over hill and dell  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
O hark to what it sings,  
As joyously it rings,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine,  
My canticle divine,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
Be this the eternal song  
Through all the ages long,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
—Tr. by Edward Caswall, 1858

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him.  
To all that call upon Him in truth.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him.  
He also will hear their cry, and will save them.

### Send Out Thy Light.

(Tune.—Orient, 11. 10. 11. 10.)

C. Gounod.

Send out Thy light and Thy truth let them lead me, O, let them  
bring me to Thy ho - ly hill; Send out Thy light and Thy truth let them  
lead me, O let them bring me to Thy ho - ly hill. A-men.



**SCRIPTURE—Luke 19:41-48; Rev. 21:5, 23-27.**

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.

**LET US PRAY**—O' God, our Father, we Thy children are assembled in Thy honor and in Thy house to worship Thee. We are unworthy of Thy love and favor but we rejoice in the assurance of Thy continual goodness and mercy towards us. We thank Thee for the gift of Thy dear Son, for the Holy Ghost and for the Church which is the Mother of us all. We lift the cause of Christ before Thee in our prayer and praise and beseech Thee for Thy blessing to attend us in the work of Thy Kingdom. Especially do we bless Thee this day for our land and nation. We thank Thee for peace and prosperity throughout our borders and for the Christian ideals which make us great and strong. Father, forgive our selfishness and our worldliness and give us grace and strength to do Thy will in all things.

We bring Thee the cities of our country. As Jesus wept when He beheld the city, so we believe Thou art concerned about the city of today. Purge our cities from sin and from all forms of unrighteousness, and make them to be centers of spiritual life and power. Give Thy Church large room in the midst of Thy people and gird her with strength to preach Thy word and do Thy work.

Bless the efforts of Thy servants who seek to extend the borders of Thy Kingdom. Prosper the labors of the missionaries and win the multitudes for Christ. Raise up liberal givers so that the means may be at hand to carry forward Thy work. Thus may we, united in a common service for Thee, glorify Thy name and finally, by Thy mercy, attain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

**HYMN—Tune "Bradford"—214, Hymnal**

O God hear Thou the nation's prayer,  
We lift our cause to Thee.  
We wage the holy war of Christ;  
We fight to make man free.

Give us to build our cities pure,  
Salvation throned above;  
To shelter lowly homes from ill,  
And tune our mills with love.

Give us to guide the alien feet;  
To teach the brother's way;  
To save our motherhood from need;  
To guard our children's play.

May visions call and faith enflame,  
And banish lust and greed.  
Make Thou America to be  
A land of soulful deed.  
—Irvine Maurer, 1912

**The City**

(to be read by a boy)

The city is at once an ancient and a modern problem. It has always been an essential factor in the civilization of the world. In the Old Testament times the center of interest lay around three great cities, Jerusalem, Nineveh and Babylon. In New Testament days, besides Jerusalem, there come into view Antioch, Ephesus, Corinth, Rome. Later in the history of the Church great controversies centered in Rome, Constantinople, Alexandria, and in the great cities on the Continent of Europe and in Great Britain. In America the same situation has prevailed. "As goes the city, so goes the country." In this country we have today fourteen cities with a population of more than half a million each, and seven of these have more than a million each. More than half the population in the United States lives in the cities. The growth of the city is one of the marvels of our day. Everywhere cities are extending their boundaries and are taking in large areas of suburban communities.

(to be read by a girl)

Many factors are contributing to this changing condition in our present civilization. Our great industries, our shops and factories are practically all located in our cities. Modern social life with its attractions and diversions brings multitudes to the city. This massing of the people in great centers has come to be a permanent thing.

Many problems present themselves, such as traffic, housing, government, recreation, education, religion. All of our institutions, the home, the school, the Church are here put to the severest test. Here crime is prevalent, here lawlessness prevails, here worldliness predominates. Unless the city can be saved our civilization is doomed. And yet redeemed society, as St. John beheld it in vision, is the City of God.

**HYMN—Tune "Germany"—475, Hymnal.**

Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
Where sound the cries of race and clan,  
Above the noise of selfish strife,  
We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man.

In haunts of wretchedness and need,  
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,  
From paths where hide the lures of greed,  
We catch the vision of Thy tears.

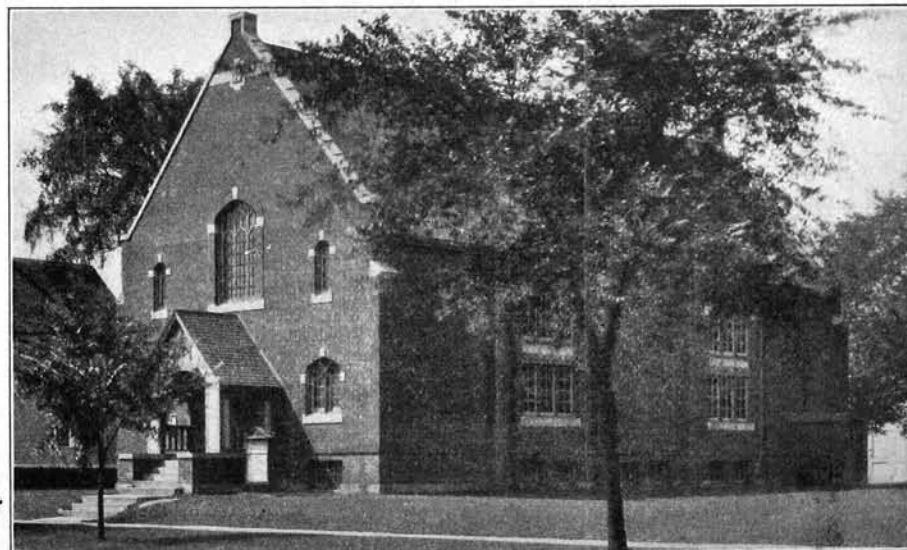
From tender childhood's helplessness,  
From woman's grief, man's burdened toil,  
From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,  
Thy heart has never known recoil.

The cup of water given for Thee  
Still holds the freshness of Thy grace;  
Yet long these multitudes to see  
The sweet compassion of Thy face.

O Master, from the mountain side,  
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;  
Among these restless throngs abide,  
O tread the city's streets again,

Till sons of men shall learn Thy love,  
And follow where Thy feet have trod,  
Till glorious from Thy heaven above,  
Shall come the City of our God.

—Frank Mason North, 1905



Present Building of Dewey Avenue Mission, Rochester, New York



## The Church in the City

**THE SUPERINTENDENT**—The Church faces a serious problem in the city. How to provide adequate religious facilities for these ever increasing and rapidly changing masses of city population taxes the full resources of the Church of Christ. In many instances the Church is scarcely equal to the task. Once flourishing churches find themselves stranded in the maelstrom of this seething life. Others find it necessary to change their programs and methods of approach. But nowhere in our cities has the Church kept pace with the growing population. Most of our large cities have today Councils or Federations of Churches which seek to apply principles of Comity between the different denominations and to allocate fields of responsibility to the various churches so that cooperatively the Church may provide adequate religious facilities for the people and make a united impact upon these communities. All this demands a new type of leadership, adequate equipment, a staff of workers and large sums of money. Unless the Church is prepared to make this investment of life and money it will not be able to meet the present situation in our cities.

Yet the Church is set to be the spiritual force in human society. It must lift up worth while ideals and create the atmosphere in which such ideals may prevail. It must seek to make our cities the city of our God.

**HYMN—Tune, "Beecher"—295, Hymnal.**

Hail the glorious Golden City,  
Pictured by the seers of old!  
Everlasting light shines o'er it,  
Wondrous tales of it are told:  
Only righteous men and women  
Dwell within its gleaming wall;  
Wrong is banished from its borders,  
Justice reigns supreme o'er all.

We are builders of that City;  
All our joys and all our groans  
Help to rear its shining ramparts;  
All our lives are building stones:  
Whether humble or exalted,  
All are called to task divine;  
All must aid alike to carry  
Forward one sublime design.

And the work that we have builded,  
Oft with bleeding hands and tears,  
Oft in error, oft in anguish,  
Will not perish with our years:  
It will live and shine transfigured  
In the final reign of Right;  
It will pass into the splendors  
Of the City of the Light.

—Felix Adler



First Building of  
Dewey Avenue Mission  
Rochester, New York

## The Reformed Church in the City

**A TEACHER**—The Reformed Church is in every one of the fourteen big cities of our country. We are in 100 of the 287 cities listed as "Principal Cities," with a population of 25,000 and over. Has the Reformed Church a contribution to make to the salvation of the city? We have missed many golden opportunities because of lack of vision, of men and of money. But even now, if we will, we may contribute our part. Of the 287 Missions on the Roll of the Board of Home Missions, by far the greater majority are located in our cities. It seems unfortunate that at a time when so many calls come to us the resources are not at hand to respond to the same. The importance and the bigness of the task have never captured the imagination of our people.

**HYMN—Tune, "Alford"—553, Hymnal.**

The fathers built this city  
In ages long ago,  
And busy in the busy streets,  
They hurried to and fro;  
The children played around them  
And sang the songs of yore,  
Till, one by one, they fell asleep,  
To work and play no more.

Yet still the city standeth,  
A hive of toiling men,  
And mothers' love makes happy home  
For children now as then;  
O God of ages, help us  
Such citizens to be  
That children's children here may sing  
The songs of liberty.

Let all the people praise Thee,  
Give all Thy saving health,  
Or vain the laborer's strong right arm  
And vain the merchant's wealth;  
Send forth Thy light to banish  
The shadows of the shame,  
Till all the civic virtues shine  
Around our city's name.

A commonweal of brothers  
United, great and small  
Upon our banner blazoned be  
The Charter, "Each for all."  
Nor let us cease from battle,  
Nor weary sheathe the sword,  
Until this city is become  
The city of the Lord.

—William George Tarrant

(This hymn was written for the children of London.)

## The Dewey Avenue Mission

**THE PASTOR**—The Board of Home Missions is making a demonstration of city work in the great and growing center of Rochester, New York. In 1912 it established a mission in the northwestern section at the corner of Dewey Avenue and Flower City Park. It is a most excellent location in a rapidly developing community, a few blocks away from the Eastman Kodak plant, which employs many thousands of workers. The work was started in a temporary frame chapel. This soon gave way to a brick structure which forms the Sunday School unit of the plant. The time is now come when the main body of the church must be provided. The congregation numbers 128 members with a Sunday School enrollment of 202. To erect the needed church building \$65,000 will be required. The members alone cannot furnish this amount of money. They have, however, already secured in pledges the sum of \$15,000. The Board of Home Missions has pledged the Reformed Church to match this amount with a like sum. It is proposed to raise this money in connection with this special Home Mission Day Service. This should be an easy matter for the 1,100 Sunday Schools of the Reformed Church. If the Dewey Avenue Mission is furnished an adequate plant it can command the attention of the community for which it has assumed responsibility and minister in a more effective way to the spiritual life of the people who live under its shadow. The special offering is to be sent at once to the Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions, Mr. Joseph S. Wise, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**THE OFFERING—**





Morning Audience, Home-coming Day, June 16, 1929, Dewey Avenue  
Reformed Church, Rochester, New York

## Other Phases of Home Mission Work

**TEACHER OF ADULT BIBLE CLASS**—The Board of Home Missions has a vast and varied work entrusted to it. Its Missions are widely scattered throughout the United States and Canada. It preaches the Gospel in seven different languages and carries forward a successful work among English, German, Hungarian, Czech, Japanese and Indian people. It operates a Church Building Department through which it assists Mission Churches to build suitable houses of worship. It works through a Department of Evangelism through which it seeks to win members for the Church and to vitalize the spiritual life of all of our people. The year 1930 marks the 1900th Anniversary of Pentecost and this furnishes a suitable occasion to deepen the springs of our religious life. The Board also maintains a Department of Country Life which makes direct contacts with rural churches, aiding them in the solution of some of their problems. Through a Commission on Social Service the Board seeks to apply the principles of Christianity to all the relationships of life, so that our whole social order may be fully Christianized and the vision of the City of God realized on earth. To make America a Christian Nation is the supreme ambition and effort of the Board of Home Missions.

**HYMN**—Tune, "Materna"—593, Hymnal.

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain;  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,  
Whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat  
Across the wilderness;  
America! America!  
God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control,  
Thy liberty in law.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

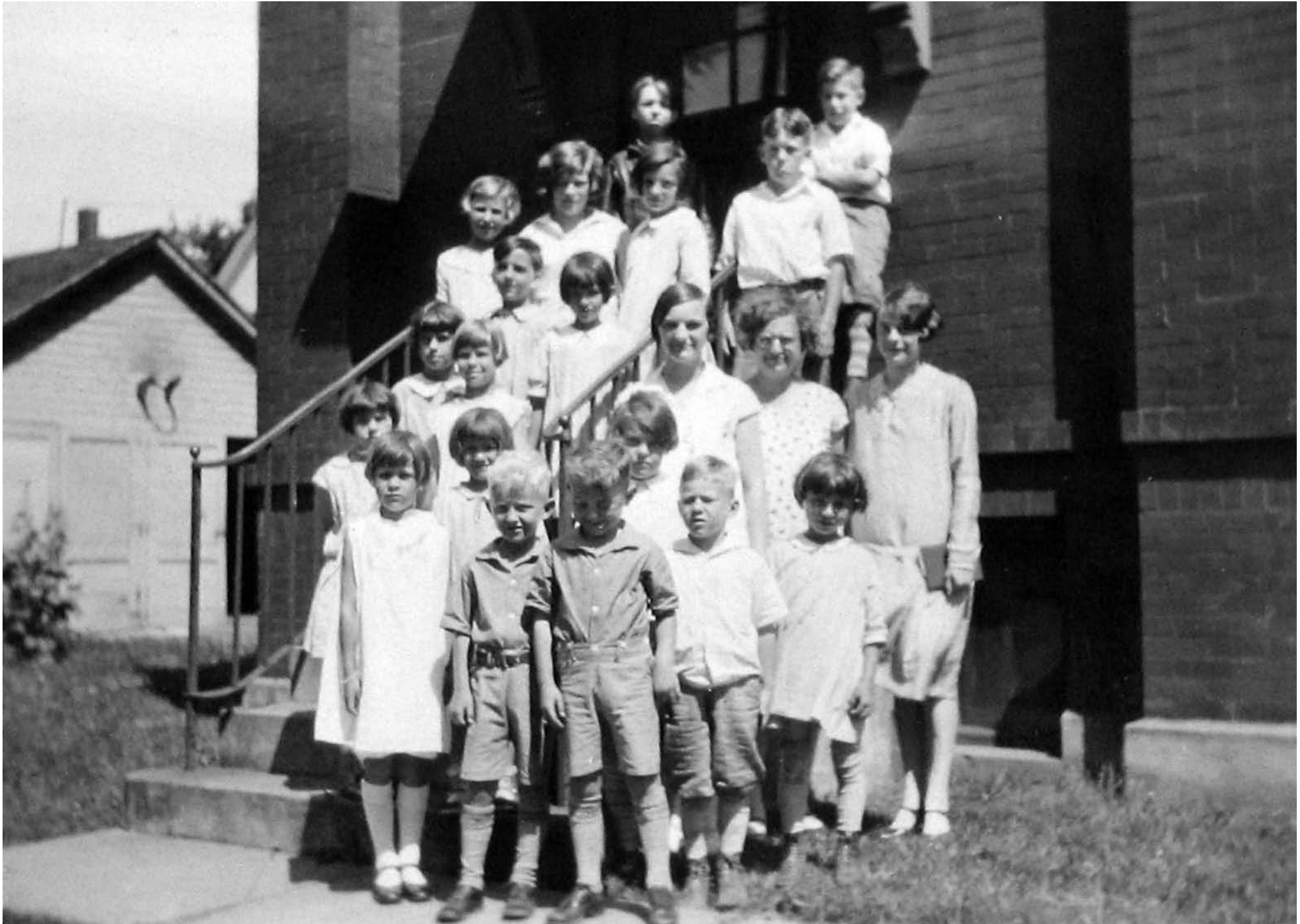
**THE DOXOLOGY**

**THE BENEDICTION—AMEN.**

O beautiful for heroes proved  
In liberating strife,  
Who more than self their country loved,  
And mercy more than life!  
America! America!  
May God thy gold refine,  
Till all success be nobleness  
And every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream,  
That sees beyond the years,  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears;  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea.  
—Katherine Lee Bates







# Order of Service

Palm Sunday, March 24, 1918

at

## St. Paul's Evang. Church

North Fitzhugh St.  
ROCHESTER, N. Y.



### *Members of the Confirmation Class, 1918*

Alma Hieb	Emma Trost	Clara Pommerening
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# Confirmation Service

1918

**Organ Prelude**

**Opening Sentence**, followed by Doxology

**Prayer**, Response by the Choir

**Hymn No. I**

**Reading of Scripture**, the Twenty-Third Psalm

**Anthem by the Choir**

**Announcements**

**Offertory**

**Hymn No. II**

**Address in German by the Pastor**

**Hymn No. III**

**Confirmation-Sermon by the Pastor**

**Anthem by the Choir**

## THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

**Anthem by the Choir**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Benediction**

**The Parting Hymn**

### Hymn No. I

Praise thou the Lord, the Almighty, who reigneth in Glory!  
O thou my soul, let His praise be thy song and thy story,  
Join with the throng,  
Wake now the harp and the song!  
Loud let His praises be sounding.

Praise thou the Lord, who hath made thee in wisdom abounding,  
Who doth restore thee, with kindness thy pathway surrounding;  
In thy distress  
Hath not the God of all grace  
Spread out His wings to preserve thee?

Praise thou the Lord, yea, let all that within me is praise Him,  
All that hath breath, all the faithful shall join to upraise Him.  
He is Thy Day,  
He shall still shine on thy way;—  
Now with Amen end thy praising.

### Hymn No. II

1 I need Thee every hour,  
Most gracious Lord;  
No tender voice like Thine  
Can peace afford.

*Refrain*  
I need Thee, O I need Thee;  
Every hour I need Thee;  
O bless me now, my Saviour!  
I come to Thee.

2 I need Thee every hour:  
Stay Thou near by;  
Temptations lose their power  
When Thou art nigh.—*Ref.*

3 I need Thee every hour,  
In joy or pain;  
Come quickly and abide,  
Or life is vain.—*Ref.*

4 I need Thee every hour:  
Teach me Thy will;  
And Thy rich promises  
In me fulfill.—*Ref.*

5 I need Thee every hour,  
Most Holy One;  
O, make me Thine indeed,  
Thou blessed Son.—*Ref.*

### Hymn No. III

Jesus, still lead on,  
Till our rest be won;  
And, although the way be cheerless,  
We will follow calm and fearless;  
Guide us by Thy hand,  
To our fatherland.

2 If the way be drear,  
If the foe be near,  
Let no faithless fears o'ertake us,  
Let not faith and hope forsake us;  
For through many a woe  
To our home we go.

3 When we seek relief  
From a long-felt grief:  
When temptations come alluring,  
Make us patient and enduring:  
Show us that bright shore  
Where we weep no more.

4 Jesus, still lead on,  
Till our rest be won:  
Heavenly Leader, still direct us,  
Still support, control, protect us,  
Till we safely stand  
In our fatherland.



## Announcements

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Members of all Confirmation Classes are urgently invited to attend the REUNION SERVICE this evening at 7:30 o'clock. LET US REMEMBER THE BLESSINGS OF THE PAST THE DUTIES OF THE PRESENT, THE PROMISES OF THE FUTURE.

Lenten Service at the Chapel on Wednesday at 7:45 P. M.

Good Friday Service in German at the Church at 8:00 P. M.

Easter Service in both languages at 10 A. M. at the Church, and at 7:30 P. M. at the Chapel. Celebration of the Lord's Supper in both languages at the close of both morning and evening service.

Our EASTER-OFFERING will afford an opportunity for your sacrifice of thanksgiving. Envelopes for this purpose will be found in the pews or furnished by the deacons at the door.



We extend a most cordial WELCOME to all visitors and friends in our service this morning, and sincerely invite all Christian believers to join with us in partaking of this Sacrament of HOLY COMMUNION.

TONIGHT -7 P.M. All our YOUTH are invited to meet with us at the church, and then we will go in a group to Dewey Ave. E.R.Church to join them in a meeting of all our Rochester Evangelical & Reformed Youth.

MONDAY -8 P.M. ALL Men of the church are invited to our BROTHERHOOD Meeting. Join our men in their meeting and fellowship. Mr. Albert Meili will bring movies and recordings of the great Men's Retreat at Dunkirk. COME.

The FINANCE COMMITTEE to prepare the 1953 Budget will meet at 7 P.M., preceeding the Brotherhood Meeting.

TUESDAY -The Fall Meeting of West New York Synod will be held at Trinity E.R.Church. Some 200 delegates representing the 70 Churches of our Synod will attend. St. Paul's will be represented by 5 delegates. Sessions will start at 9:30 A.M. Visitors are invited.

WEDNESDAY -Circle II will meet at the home of Mrs Bruno Lehmann, 25 Tyler St., at 1 P.M.

THURSDAY -10 A.M. Meeting of Sewing Circle. All ladies who like to sew and help are invited.

The UNITED CHURCH COUNCILS of our E.R.Churches will meet for their Fall Supper Meeting here at St. Paul's on Thursday at 6:30 P.M. All present and past council members are invited. Get tickets today from Arnold Henn. A good program and speaker has been provided.

Our CONGRATULATIONS to William Gross and Marilyn Losey who were united in marriage in St. Paul's yesterday afternoon.

ALSO to Ellen Smith and Henry Page who likewise were united in a church ceremony here yesterday afternoon.

FRIDAY 7 P.M. Senior Choir rehearsal.

SATURDAY 9:15 A.M. Confirmation Class instruction.

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 - Annual HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE.

(Tear Off Here) If you take Holy Communion please sign and give to deacon so our record of your communion is kept.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_







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## Programm.

### Eingangspruch.

„Jauchzet dem Herrn, alle Welt! Dienet dem Herrn mit Freuden!  
Kommt vor sein Angesicht mit Frohlocken! Denn der Herr ist freundlich,  
und seine Gnade währet ewig, und seine Wahrheit für und für!“ Halleluja!

### Gemeindegang.

Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren;  
Lob ihn, o Seele, vereint mit den himmlischen Chören!

Kommet zuhauf!

Psalter und Harfe, wacht auf!

Lasset den Lobgesang hören!

Lobe den Herren, der alles so herrlich regieret,  
Der dich auf Adlers Fittigen sicher geführtet,

Der dich erhält,

Wie es dir selber gefällt!

Hast du nicht dieses verspüret?

Lobe den Herren, der künstlich und fein dich bereitet,  
Der dir Gesundheit verliehen, dich freundlich geleitet;

In wie viel Not

Hat nicht der gnädige Gott

Ueber dir Flügel gebreitet!

Lobe den Herren, der deinen Stand sichtbar gesegnet,  
Der aus dem Himmel mit Strömen der Liebe geregnet;

Denke daran,

Was der Allmächtige kann,

Der dir mit Liebe begegnet!

Lobe den Herren; was in mir ist, lobe den Namen;  
Alles was Odem hat, lobe mit Abrahams Samen!

Er ist dein Licht;

Seele, vergiß es ja nicht;

Lob ihn in Ewigkeit! Amen.

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### Gebet.

Heilig, heilig, heilig ist unser Gott, der Herr aller Welten; alle Lande  
sind seiner Ehre voll. Zu ihm erhebet die Herzen und betet an in heiliger  
Furcht.

Herr, du bist groß, und deine Größe ist unaussprechlich! Deine Ehre  
erzählen die Himmel, deine Weisheit preiset die Erde; von deiner Allmacht  
und Güte zeuget das Meer; alles, was Odem hat, lobet dich, und es danken  
dir alle seligen Geister; denn dir allein gebühret aller Ruhm und Dank,  
alle Macht und Herrlichkeit. Halleluja!

Allmächtiger, barmherziger Gott und Vater! Wir preisen deine ewige  
Liebe, nach der du durch deinen eingeborenen Sohn Jesum Christum deinen  
Erlösungsratschluß hinausgeführt, dein Gnadenreich auf Erden aufgerichtet  
und durch deines Heiligen Geistes Kraft die christliche Kirche gestiftet hast zum  
Heile unsterblicher Seelen. Du ewig treuer Gott hast in allen Anfechtungen,  
Drangsalen und Verfolgungen deiner Kirche deine tröstliche Verheißung er-  
füllt: „Die Pforten der Hölle sollen sie nicht überwinden.“

Herr, unser Gott! Wir sagen dir von ganzem Herzen Lob und Dank,  
daß du dir in diesem Abendlande vor fünfzig Jahren unser Predigersseminar  
als eine Stätte der Erbauung, Unterweisung und Heranbildung von Dienern  
deines Wortes und Mitarbeitern in deinem Weinberge gegründet hast. Wir  
danken dir, daß du es unsern Vätern hast gelingen lassen, diese uns so nötige  
und viel Segen bringende Anstalt zu gründen. Wir rühmen und preisen  
dich, daß du nach deiner großen Barmherzigkeit unserem Seminar durch alle  
Anfechtungen und Stürme gnädig hindurch geholfen und es beschirmt und  
gesegnet hast bis auf den heutigen Tag. Wir danken dir, o Herr, für alle  
Gnade und Wohlthat, die du sowohl unserem lieben Seminar, wie denen,  
die darinnen gelehrt und gewirkt, gelernt und gedient haben, erwiesen hast.  
Wir senden dafür unsere Lobgesänge zu dir empor, der du heilig bist und  
im Heiligtum wohnest, der du keines Geschöpfes bedarfst, sondern die Fülle  
aller Vollkommenheiten in dir selber hast. Wir aber sind unvollkommen und  
unrein. Wir haben gesündigt vor dir und sind nicht wert, unsere Augen  
aufzuheben zu deinen heiligen Höhen. Wir demütigen uns deshalb vor dei-  
ner göttlichen Majestät und bekennen dir unsere Sünden. Doch nahen wir



— 4 —

uns dir im Glauben, im Vertrauen auf deine große Barmherzigkeit, als die da einen freien Zugang haben zum Throne der Gnaden durch deinen eingeborenen Sohn, unsern Herrn und Heiland. Zu dir flehen wir: Gott, sei uns Sündern gnädig; verwerf uns nicht von deinem Angesicht und nimm deinen Heiligen Geist nicht von uns. Reinige unsre Herzen von aller Befleckung und mache uns würdig, dir heute und alle Tage unseres Lebens zu dienen, damit das Opfer unseres Gebetes und Lobes dir angenehm sei.

Barmherziger treuer Gott! Walte auch ferner in Gnaden über unserm Predigerseminar und seinen Lehrern und Zöglingen. Laß, o himmlischer Vater, deine Augen offen stehen über unserer lieben Anstalt. Segne, baue und beschirme sie auch fernerhin, und erhalte ihr für alle Zeiten dein theures Evangelium lauter und rein. Laß unser Seminar eine stete Segensstätte und =Quelle sein für jetzige und spätere Geschlechter. Gib, daß große Scharen treuer Verkündiger deiner göttlichen Wahrheit auch in Zukunft aus unserer Anstalt hervorgehen mögen, die sich unentwegt zu dir und deinem lieben Sohne, unserm hochgelobten Heilande, bekennen mögen.

Herr Jesu! du wollest dich fort und fort unter uns offenbaren in deinem heiligen Worte als der Sohn Gottes, der in die Welt gekommen ist, zu suchen und selig zu machen, was verloren ist, und uns alle in deinem Namen Vergebung und Frieden finden lassen.

Herr Gott, Heiliger Geist! Berufe, erwecke, erleuchte und bekehre durch deine Gnadenmittel unter uns alle, die deinem Reiche und dem Heile in Christo noch ferne stehen. Heilige, stärke und vollbereite uns alle je mehr und mehr zu Gottes auserwähltem Volke.

Dreieiniger Gott und Herr! Wende dich heute und allezeit zu dem Gebete deines Volkes. Sei nahe allen, die heute mit uns beten und an den Stätten der Anbetung überall in unserem Lande mit Ernst dich anrufen und erhöhe in Gnaden unser aller Flehen. Bleibe bei uns, unserer lieben Synode, unseren Lehr- und Wohltätigkeits-Anstalten und erfülle du Lehrer, Lernende und Dienende mit deines Geistes Kraft. Bleibe bei unseren Nachkommen alle Tage bis an der Welt Ende und hilf uns durch deine Gnade, daß wir dereinst in deinem himmlischen Reiche das ewige Jubiläum feiern und mit deiner erlösten Gemeinde dir darbringen mögen Preis und Ehre und Anbetung von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit! Amen.

— 5 —

## Glaubensbekenntnis.

(Von der ganzen Festgemeinde mitzusprechen.)

Ich glaube an Gott den Vater, den Allmächtigen, Schöpfer Himmels und der Erde.

Und an Jesum Christum, seinen eingeborenen Sohn, unsern Herrn, der empfangen ist von dem heiligen Geiste, geboren von der Jungfrau Maria, gelitten unter Pontius Pilatus, gekreuzigt, gestorben und begraben, niedergefahren zur Hölle, am dritten Tage wieder auferstanden von den Toten, aufgefahren gen Himmel, sitzet zur Rechten Gottes, des allmächtigen Vaters, von dannen er kommen wird, zu richten die Lebendigen und die Toten.

Ich glaube an den Heiligen Geist; eine, heilige, allgemeine, christliche Kirche, die Gemeinschaft der Heiligen, Vergebung der Sünden, Auferstehung des Leibes und ein ewiges Leben. Amen.

Ehre sei dem Vater und dem Sohne und dem heiligen Geiste, wie es war von Anfang, jetzt und immerdar und von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit. Amen.

## Ghorgesang oder Gemeindegesang.

Jehova! Jehova! Jehova, deinem Namen,  
Sei Ehre, Macht und Ruhm! Amen, Amen!  
Bis einst der Tempel dieser Welt  
Auf dein Wort in Staub zerfällt,  
Soll in unsern Hallen  
Das Heilig, Heilig, Heilig! erschallen.  
Halleluja, Halleluja!

## Schriftabschnitt: Der 103. Psalm.

Lobe den Herrn, o meine Seele, und was in mir ist seinen heiligen Namen.

Lobe den Herrn, meine Seele, und vergiß nicht, was er dir Gutes gethan hat.

Der dir alle deine Sünde vergiebt und heilet alle deine Gebrechen,

Der dein Leben vom Verderben erlöst, der dich krönt mit Gnade und Barmherzigkeit.

Der deinen Mund fröhlich macht, und du wieder jung wirst wie ein Adler.



— 6 —

Der Herr schaffet Gerechtigkeit und Gericht allen, die Unrecht leiden.  
Er hat seine Wege Mose wissen lassen, die Kinder Israel sein Thun.  
Barmherzig und gnädig ist der Herr, geduldig und von großer Güte.  
Er wird nicht immer habern, noch ewiglich Zorn halten.

Er handelt nicht mit uns nach unsern Sünden und vergilt uns nicht  
nach unserer Missethat;

Denn so hoch der Himmel über der Erde ist, läßt er seine Gnade walten  
über die, so ihn fürchten.

So fern der Morgen ist vom Abend, läßt er unsere Uebertretung von  
uns sein.

Wie sich ein Vater über Kinder erbarmet, so erbarmet sich der Herr über  
die, so ihn fürchten;

Denn er kennet, was für ein Gemächte wir sind, er gedenket daran, daß  
wir Staub sind.

Ein Mensch ist in seinem Leben wie Gras, er blühet wie eine Blume auf  
dem Felde;

Wenn der Wind darüber geht, so ist sie nimmer da, und ihre Stätte  
kennet sie nicht mehr.

Die Gnade aber des Herrn währet von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit über die,  
so ihn fürchten, und seine Gerechtigkeit auf Kindeskind

Bei denen, die seinen Bund halten und gedenken an seine Gebote, daß  
sie danach thun.

Der Herr hat seinen Stuhl im Himmel bereitet, und sein Reich herrschet  
über alles.

Lobet den Herrn, ihr seine Engel, ihr starken Helden, die ihr seinen  
Befehl ausrichten, daß man höre die Stimme seines Wortes!

Lobet den Herrn, alle seine Heerscharen, seine Diener, die ihr seinen  
Willen thut!

Lobet den Herrn, alle seine Werke, an allen Orten seiner Herrschaft!  
Lobe den Herrn, meine Seele!

### Gemeindegelang.

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott,  
Ein gute Wehr und Waffen.  
Er hilft uns frei aus aller Not,  
Die uns jetzt hat betroffen.  
Der alte böse Feind  
Mit Ernst er es jetzt meint;  
Groß Macht und viele List  
Sein grausam Rüstung ist,  
Auf Erd ist nicht seinsgleichen.

Mit unsrer Macht ist nichts gethan,  
Wir sind gar bald verloren;  
Es streit't für uns der rechte Mann,  
Den Gott hat selbst erkoren.  
Und fragst du, wer der ist?  
Er heißet Jesus Christ,  
Der Herre Zebaoth,  
Und ist kein andrer Gott:  
Das Feld muß er behalten.

— 7 —

Und wenn die Welt voll Teufel wär  
Und wollt uns gar verschlingen,  
So fürchten wir uns nicht so sehr,  
Es soll uns doch gelingen.  
Der Fürste dieser Welt,  
Wie sauer er sich stellt,  
So thut er uns doch nichts,  
Das macht, er ist gericht't;  
Ein Wörtlein kann ihn fällen.

Das Wort sie sollen lassen stahn  
Und kein'n Dank dazu haben.  
Er ist bei uns wohl auf dem Plan  
Mit seinem Geist und Gaben.  
Nehmen sie uns den Leib,  
Gut, Ehre, Kind und Weib,  
Laß fahren nur dahin,  
Sie haben's kein'n Gewinn:  
Das Reich muß uns doch bleiben.

### Festpredigt. — Text: Epheser 4, 3—6.

Seid fleißig zu halten die Einigkeit im Geist durch das Band des Frie-  
dens. Ein Leib und ein Geist, wie ihr auch berufen seid auf einer-  
lei Hoffnung eures Berufes. Ein Herr, ein Glaube, eine Taufe, ein  
Gott und Vater unser aller, der da ist über euch alle, und durch euch alle  
und in euch allen.

### Ghorgesang.

### Freies Gebet und Unser Vater.

### Gemeindegelang.

Run danket alle Gott  
Mit Herzen, Mund und Händen,  
Der große Dinge thut  
An uns und allen Enden,  
Der uns von Mutterleib  
Und Kindesbeinen an  
Unzählig viel zu gut  
Und noch jeßund gethan.

Der ewig reiche Gott  
Wollt uns bei unserm Leben  
Ein immer fröhlich Herz  
Und edlen Frieden geben,  
Und uns in seiner Gnad  
Erhalten fort und fort  
Und uns aus aller Not  
Erlösen hier und dort.

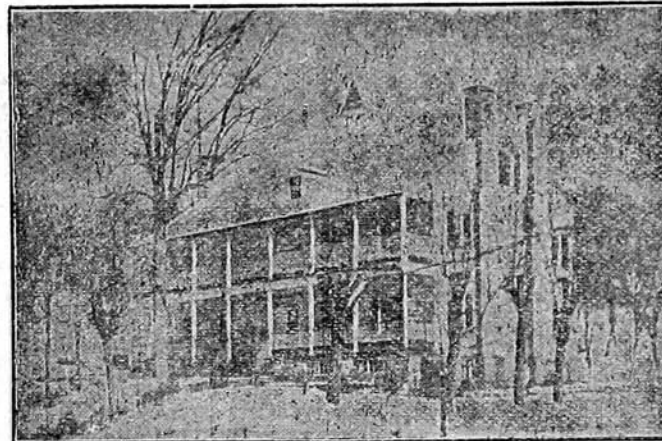
Lob, Ehr und Preis sei Gott,  
Dem Vater und dem Sohne  
Und dem, der beiden gleich,  
Im höchsten Himmelsthronen,  
Dem dreimaligen Gott,  
Als es anfänglich war  
Und ist und bleiben wird  
Jeßund und immerdar!

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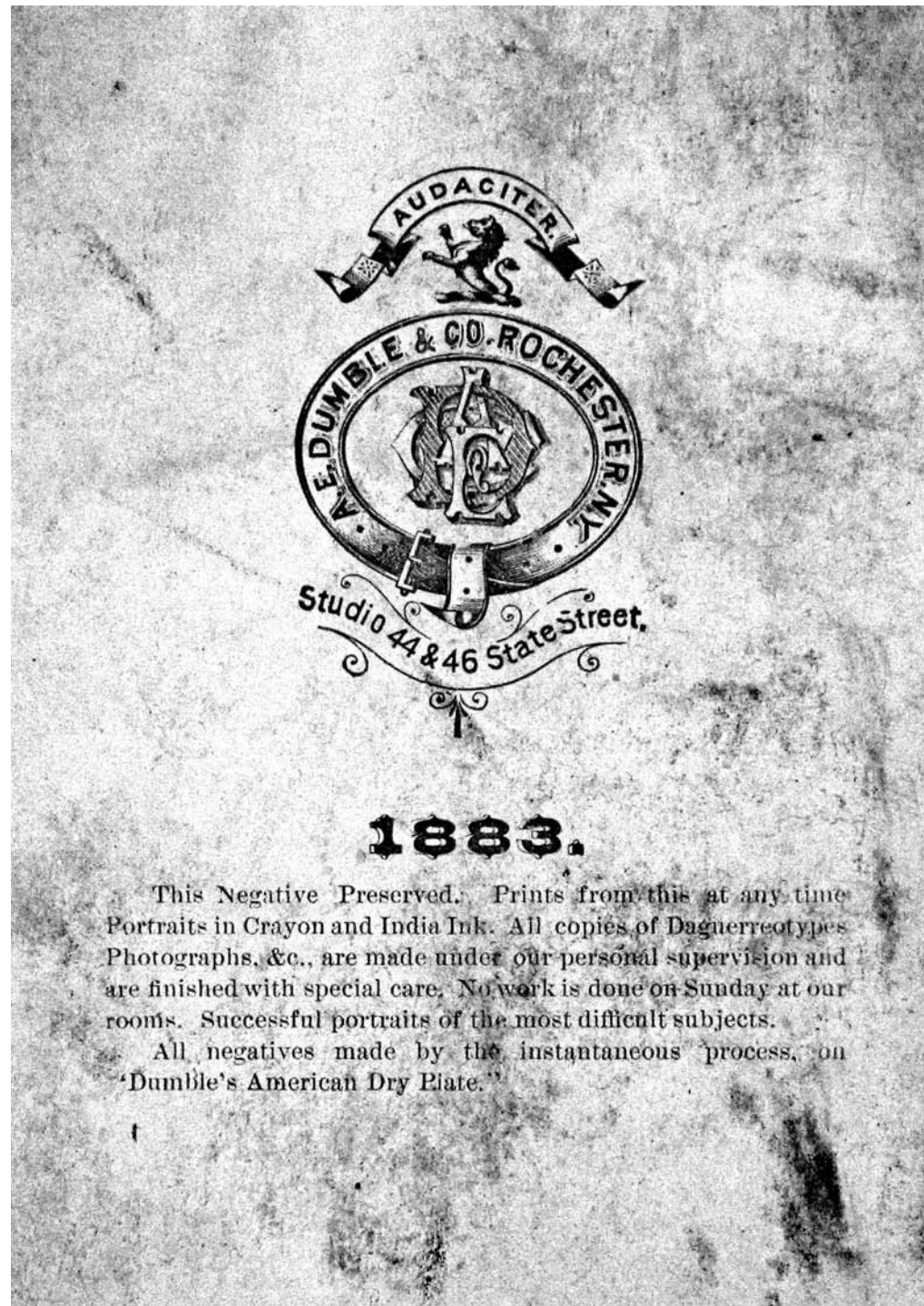
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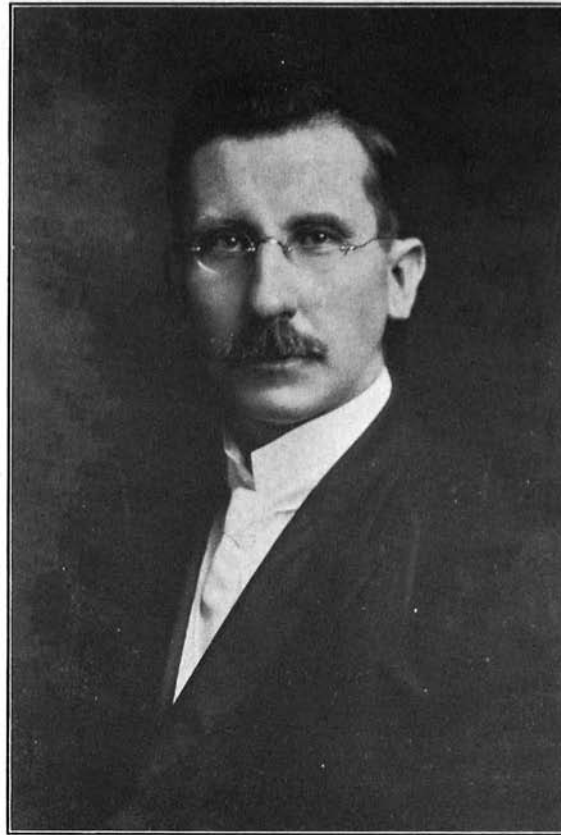












*Christmas Greetings of the Pastor to You*

I wish you much of Christmas cheer through all the year. I wish you all the joy it would be safe for you to have. I wish you just enough of sorrow to bedew the heart with needful tears, that sympathy and charity may blossom and bear.

I wish you some true friends and fellowship with my Great Friend, the world's Saviour, whose birth we celebrate this week. I wish you just enough enemies to whet the edge of life.

In truth, I wish you a hopeful, helpful, faithful life. May you have a heart of cheer, a spirit of hope, a hand of help, a life of love, for every day in all the year.

Faithfully,

PASTOR STAVE

*9th Pastor of St Paul's.*

*1914-1922.*



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*wünscht seiner lieben*

*St. Pauls Gemeinde*

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„Lasset eure Lenden umgürtet sein,  
und eure Lichter brennen, und sein  
gleich den Menschen. die auf ihren  
Herrn warten.“

(Luk. 12, 35.36).

Laß unsern Weg uns stets untrüglich gehen,  
Wie es, o Herr, Dein heil'ges Wort gebet,  
Daß unser Herz auf Dich nur möge sehen,  
Treu Deine Rechte hält und niemand scheut,  
Daß auch im Sturm wir unerschütteret stehen,  
Und Deiner Hülfe sich die Seele freut  
Und gläubig hofft, ob alle zagend bangen;  
Solch heil'ge Kraft laß uns von Dir empfangen!

## Gottesdienste der St. Pauls Gemeinde.

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10:30 Vormittags: Hauptgottesdienst jeden Sonntag und evangelischen Feiertag.

9:15 Vormittags: Sonntagschule jeden Sonntag.

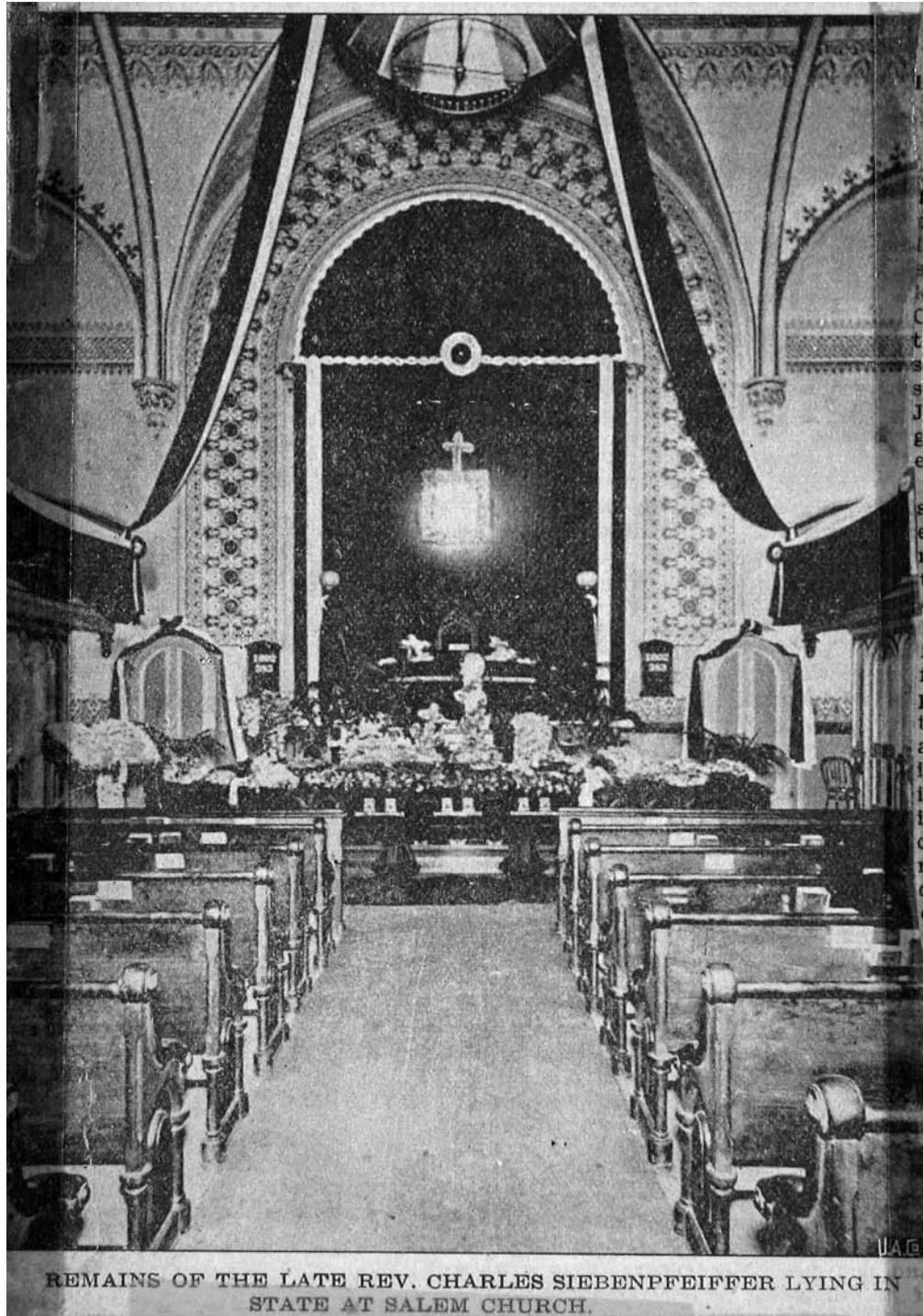
8:00 Abends: C. E. Gebetsstunde jeden Mittwoch.

7:30 Abends: Gottesdienst jeden Sonntag während der Passionszeit und, wenn sonst besonders bekannt gemacht.

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„Alle sind herzlich eingeladen zu allen  
Gottesdiensten und zum gliedlichen Anschluß an die  
„Evangelische St. Pauls Gemeinde.“









VIEW OF SALEM CHURCH DURING THE FUNERAL.



## Pastor of St. Paul's German Evangelical Church Resigns to Fill Chair of Rhetoric and Church History at St. John's Institution.

1904

Rev. William Baur, pastor of St. Paul's German Evangelical Church, on North Fitzhugh Street, has accepted a call to the chair of rhetoric and church history in Eden College, St. Louis. The announcement came as a great shock last Sunday to the congregation, which, during the years of his pastorate, has learned to greatly appreciate the young pastor. There were many tear-dimmed eyes in the church after the announcement and perhaps not the dryest were those of the retiring pastor.

Rev. William Baur was born in the town of Ludwigsburg, in the kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1870. He studied in Germany until he attained the age of 15 years, when he removed to this country and went to Elmhurst College, at Elmhurst, Ill., where he prepared himself for his later studies in theology. At the age of 17 he graduated from Elmhurst and went to Eden College, that to which he is now accepting the call as a professor, and graduated from that institution three years later.

### His First Work In Rochester

When he was less than 20 years of age Mr. Baur came to this city as assistant to Rev. Siebenfeiffer, then pastor of Salem Church on Franklin Street. He was ordained at the age of 21 and accepted a call, in 1902, to Waco, Texas. He was pastor of the Texan church for three years, during which time he met and married a young German lady, who was born in a town only half an hour's journey from his own birthplace.

Ten years ago the pastor was called to his present charge on North Fitzhugh Street, where he has served in such a way as to win the affection and admiration of his congregation. During his pastorate the church has prospered; the church debt has been paid off and many improvements made in the edifice; new stained glass windows were put in the front of the

cently and others have been ordered.

"It was a difficult matter to decide," said Mr. Baur to a reporter this morning, and he seemed on the verge of tears. "I have come to love my people and my work here and I believe my congregation reciprocates the feeling.



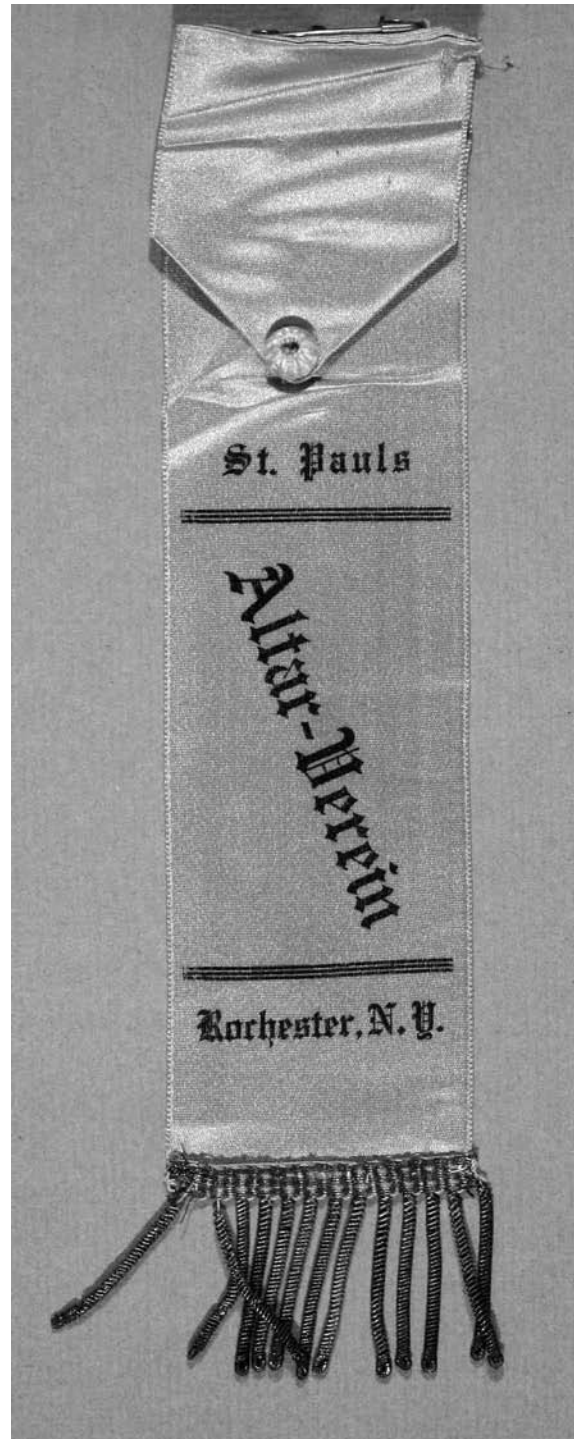
REV. WILLIAM BAUR.

It is not that I love my people the less but that I feel that my duty calls me to the other work."

Rev. Mr. Baur expects to leave the city about Sept. 1 for his new field of endeavor.

St. Paul's Church was founded in 1862 and the congregation is composed of many of the best known and most representative German families in Rochester. Pastor Baur resides at 39 Lowell Street.







65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
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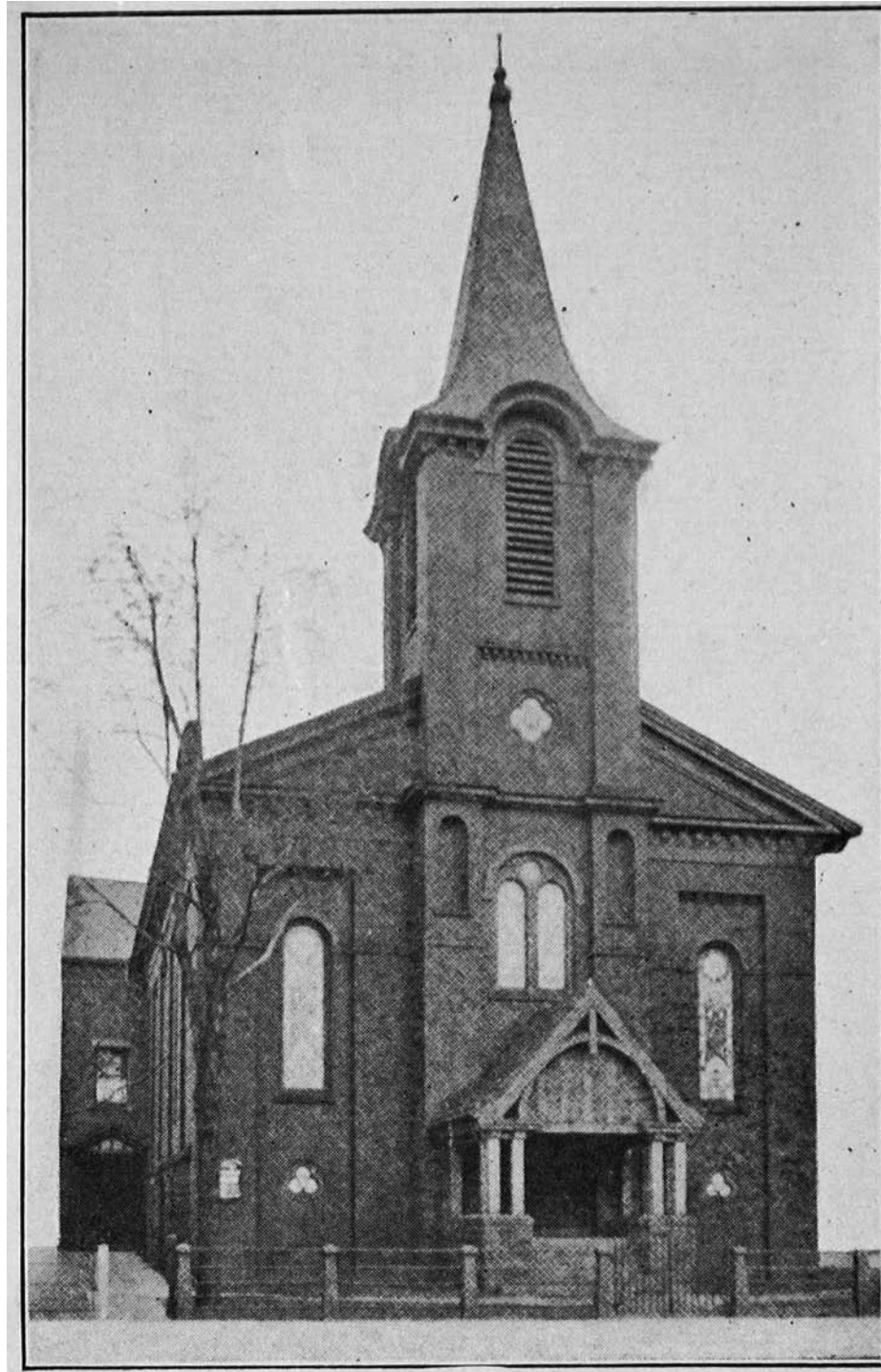
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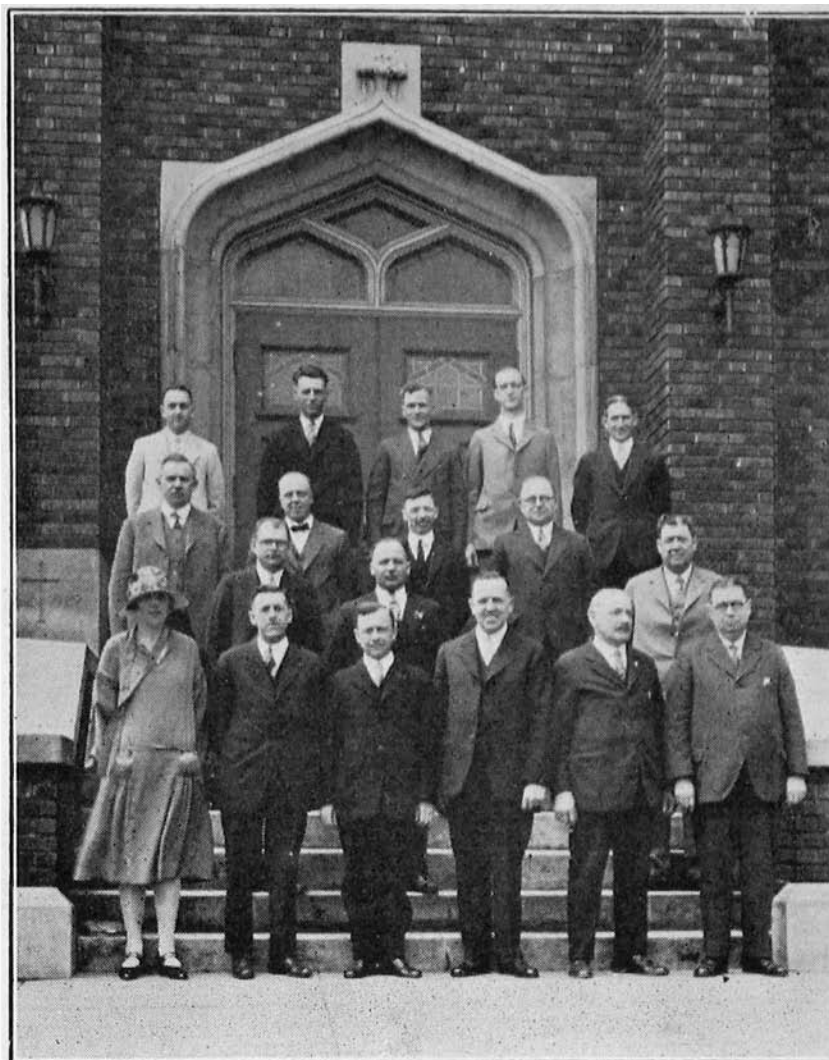
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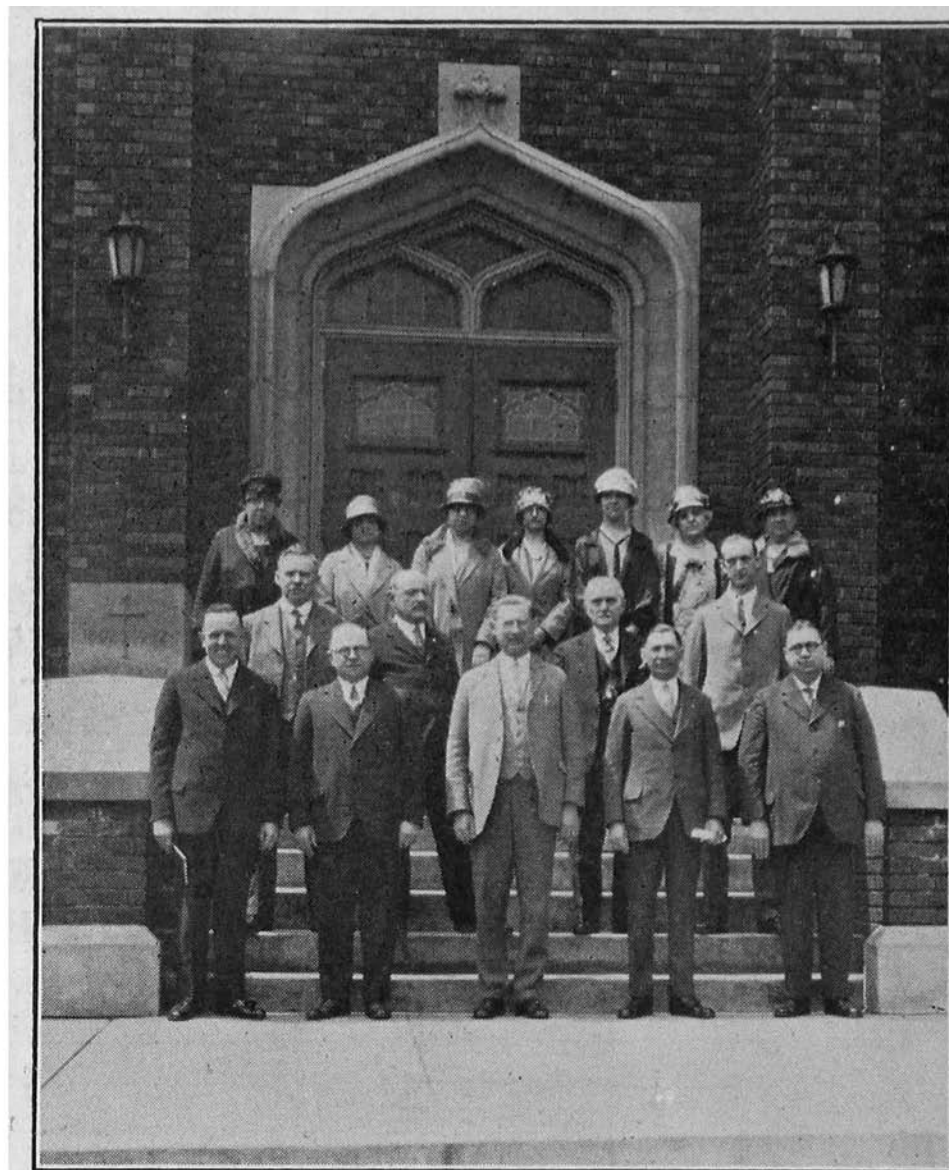
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1932

70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Sept 25 - Oct 2, 1932.

### NEW CHURCH

Many fond memories and happy recollections that tied the people to Old St. Paul's made the "farewell" difficult. For three years worship services were held in a small portable chapel located on the side of the present edifice. Many became discouraged with the new venture, and sought other church homes. Transplanting anything, be it a flower, a tree, or a church, is a precarious undertaking fraught with many difficulties—but a loyal handful persevered. Additional members won in the new field gave strength and encouragement.

In 1922, the cornerstone of the new church was laid, and in June of the following year, the newly elected pastor, the Rev. Herman E. Koenig, dedicated "New St. Paul's." The new church represented an outlay of about \$100,000, half of which was covered by the amount realized from the sale of the old property and by pledges made by members. A reorganized Sunday School and numerous organizations came into being to meet the needs of a residential community. More than 400 new members have been added to the church in the ten years of its ministry on the new site. The debt on the church and parsonage has been steadily reduced until only \$30,700 remains. Birthday gifts are being collected for the "Church Treasure Chest" through anniversary banks, of which 700 have been distributed.

Our slogan—"Debt-free by 1942." Your help in attaining it is heartily solicited.



### THE PASTOR

ELMER HENRY HOEFER, B.A., B.D.

The present pastor reversed the advice, "Go West, young man, go West," and came East from Illinois, where he had served since his graduation with the Diamond Jubilee Class of Eden Seminary in 1925. The pastor represents the third generation of Hoefers that have served in the Ministry of the Evangelical Synod. Elmhurst College and Washington University gave him his academic training. His theological studies were pursued in Eden Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., and in Berlin and Tuebingen Universities, Germany. St. Paul's is the field of his second pastorate, and among ministers who have served this church, he is the eleventh. Since his assuming the pastorate of St. Paul's, in 1929, a fine spirit of loyalty and cooperation, characteristic of the church through many years, has been accorded him, making the continued growth and development of the church inevitable. 188 new members have been received by letter or by confession of faith in addition to 59 confirmands.



1935

**TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY**

**December 12, 1915**

Highest temperature, 29 degrees;  
lowest, 16 degrees.

The chapel erected at St. Paul Street and Northview Terrace by St. Paul's German Evangelical Church was dedicated at a service in which the Rev. Richard Stave and Herbert P. Lansdale of the Y. M. C. A. took part.

Governor David I. Walsh of Massachusetts, addressed a mass meeting at Convention Hall under the direction of the Catholic Men's Charitable League. He was introduced by Bishop Thomas F. Hickey.

"There is a Santa Claus!" At least that is what the members of St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Rochester, N. Y., wanted to tell the world, when the pastor, Elmer Henry Hoefer, announced among other Christmas gifts received by the church, one of \$10,000 from the estate of Elizabetha Fisher. The presentation was made by Philip Fisher, a brother. St. Paul's church, built in 1922, has carried a considerable debt-load. Thanks to this gift, and to the receipts from campaign pledges and special offerings, this debt has been reduced from \$46,000 to \$16,000 within ten years. The experience of this church has been that when the larger Kingdom causes, such as the synodical budget, are given first concern, God will take care of the local needs. Since we have definitely pledged to raise the synodical quotas in full, there has never been a deficit in current expense funds for maintenance of the local church work.

"Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing—."

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The six Evangelical and Reformed churches of Rochester, N. Y., report participation in a Loyalty Crusade sponsored by the Rochester Federation of Churches including more than a hundred churches. The Crusade was an adaptation of the visitation evangelism plans that in recent years have been supplanting the mass revival meetings.

In preparation for the Crusade, mass meetings for the church councils of all churches, women's organizations, brotherhoods and Sunday school workers were held. Nearly 1,400 members of official boards sat down together at a dinner in the Bausch and Lomb dining room to discuss the things of interest for Protestantism in Monroe County. So far as anyone knew, this was the first time that a gathering of this type had ever been arranged. The mass meeting of Sunday school workers took place in Salem Church, and nearly filled that spacious auditorium.

Each of the seven Sundays of the Crusade had a special name and emphasis. The first Sunday was designated "Roll Call Sunday." Every church had mustered visitation committees who called upon all church members leaving with them roll-call cards which were to be signed and brought to church on the following Sunday. The effort met with unexpected success. Churches were crowded to overflowing, one of our churches having to install loud speakers to carry the message to the overflow crowd shunted into the Sunday school hall. Other Sundays followed in the order of "Family Sunday," "Neighbor Day," "Symphony Sunday," "Stewardship Day," "Recruiting Sunday" and "Goal Day." The Revs. George Dowey and Ira Vayinger were directors of the Crusade.

Though the enthusiasm of the first Sunday of the Crusade failed to carry through until the last, yet there were ample rewards that justified this united movement to stir the church people of our community. New members were added to the churches; church finances were given a decided lift; church attendance showed an average 50% increase; and a new sense of working together for a common goal has been generated among the Protestant churches. The success of the plan was due to able leadership, carefully planned programs, the regular visitation of members by the Crusading teams, and the spirit of expecting great things from God, if men would lend themselves wholeheartedly to his cause.

*Elmer Hoefer.*

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On Sunday, Nov. 29, St. Paul's Church, Rochester, N. Y., honored her organist and choirmaster, Henry Betz, upon the completion of 35 years of service in that Church. During this time the congregation has never been without the service of a volunteer choir. Mr. John Bareis, president of the congregation offered an address of appreciation and presented a gift as evidence thereof. The pastor, Rev. Elmer H. Hoefler, built the morning worship about the theme of "Singing Religion." Speaking over Station WHAM on Monday afternoons during December, Pastor Hoefler brought a series of travelchats, recounting particularly such experiences of his summer sabbatical leave as related to the status of the Church in Europe today.

### 35 Jahre Organist.

Ehrung für Henry Betz im Morgengottesdienst der Ev. St. Pauls Kirche

Morgen sind 35 Jahre seit dem Tage vergangen, an dem ein junger Student der Universität von Rochester, Henry Betz mit Namen, als Organist und Dirigent des Kirchenchors an die Evang. St. Pauls Kirche berufen wurde. Und in all den Jahren ist die Kirche nie ohne einen Chor freiwilliger Sänger gewesen, und alle, die ihm während seines Bestehens angehört, werden, soweit sie noch in Rochester und unter den Lebenden weilen, beim morgigen Morgengottesdienst die Mitte der Kirchenbänke einnehmen und ein Ehrenkorps für ihren kirchlichen Sangeslehrer bilden, dessen lange, treue Hingabe an seinen Posten Gegenstand einer besondern Ehrung bilden wird. Pastor Elmer Hoefler hat zu Ehren von Herrn Betz als Predigtthema 'Singing Religion' gewählt, und Herr John Bareis wird als Präsident des Kirchenrats dem Gefeierten namens der Gemeinde den Dank aussprechen.

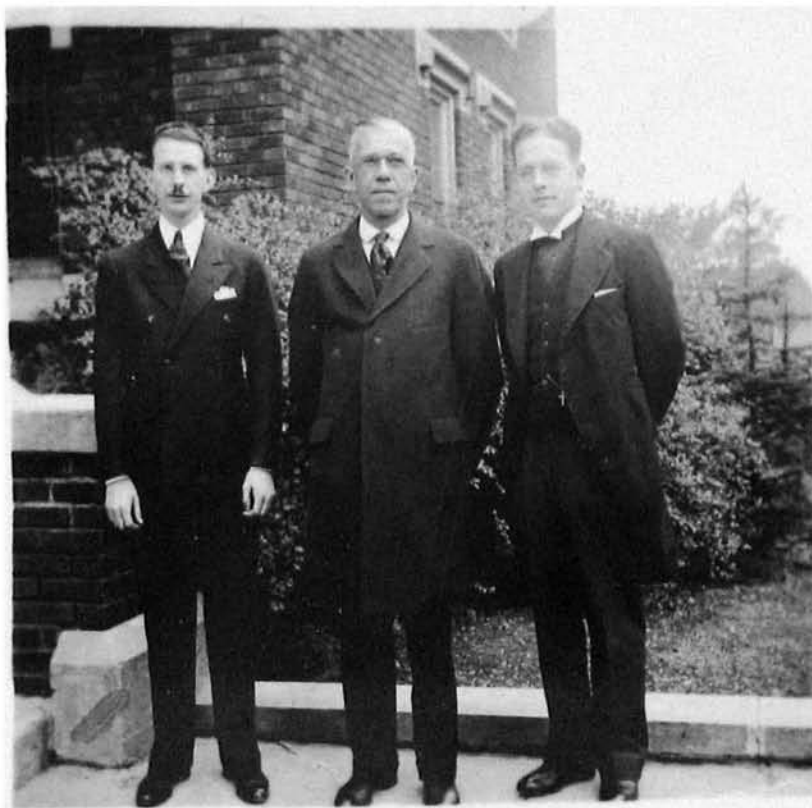
### S.O.S. "DANGER AHEAD" HELP!

This summer St Paul's faces an unusual problem. Our pastor will be absent for four months, attending the World Sunday School Convention in Oslo, Norway, and doing special work in Germany. Prof. Theophil Menzel and Wm Walch, Jr. will take care of the preaching supply. We suggest that during the next months you occasionally contribute for two weeks, which will pay your church dues a bit in advance, enabling the trustees to meet the obligations during the lean summer months without borrowing.

We thank you! We believe you will cooperate.

The Church Council.





*Rev. Luther H. Hefer  
Pastor from  
1929 -*

*Laurence Butler  
(Student assistant  
from the  
Divinity School)*

*Rev. Fred Oberkircher  
Erie, Penna  
former Pastor.*



## Ordination Scheduled At St. Paul's

The ordination service of William R. Walch in St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church will be significant. For the first time in the 75 years of the church, one of its native sons will be inducted into the Christian ministry.

Mr. Walch, son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Walch of Magnolia Street, was baptized, confirmed, and received his religious instruction in St. Paul's. He graduated from Elmhurst College in 1934, and completed his theological training in Eden Seminary, St. Louis, this month.

The ordination sermon will be preached by the Rev. Henry Walch, an uncle, of Grace Presbyterian Church.

The rite of ordination will be administered by the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, assisted by the Rev. Carl G. Haass, president of the New York district of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. The following pastors will serve in the order of the laying on of hands: the Rev. Paul Schroeder of Salem Church, the Rev. Frederick Diehm of Emanuel Church, the Rev. Bernard J. Tepas of Christ Church, the Rev. Braynard Kurkowski of Dewey Church, and the Rev. Adolph Baltzer, emeritus. The Rev. William R. Walch will preach at the services in St. Paul's Church Sunday, June 27.



*The Service of Ordination*  
*into the Christian Ministry in the Evangelical*  
*and Reformed Church*  
*of*  
WILLIAM R. WALCH, A.B., B.D.  
Sunday, June 20, 1937, 7:45 p. m.

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ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH  
Norton and Jewel Sts., Rochester, N. Y.

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ELMER HENRY HOEFER, M.A., B.D., Pastor  
MR. HENRY BETZ, Organist and Choirmaster

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**A PASTOR'S PRAYER**

Stir me, oh stir me, Lord, I care not how,  
But stir my heart with passion for the world:  
Stir me to go—to give—but most to pray.

Stir me, stir even me. Thyself was stirred  
By love's intensest fire, till Thou didst give  
Thine only Son, Thy best beloved One,  
E'en to the cruel Cross, that I might live.

Stir me to give myself so back to Thee  
That Thou canst give Thyself again through me!



## THE ORDINATION SERVICE

**THE ORGAN PRELUDE** "Andante Cantabile" Tchaikowsky

**CHIMES** (The congregation stands)

**PROCESSIONAL** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

The Choir, Candidate, Elders, Pastors

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King Thro' all eternity.	Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose pow'r a scepter sways From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer and praise: His reign shall know no end; And round His pierced feet Fair flow'rs of paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.
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Crown Him the Lord of love; Behold His hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye At mysteries so bright.	Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime: And hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me; Thy praise shall never, never fail Thro'out eternity. Amen.
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### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

#### The Minister

"I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and uplifted, the skirts of His robe filling the temple. Over Him stood seraphs. And they called one to another and said, 'Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His Glory.'"

#### The Congregational Hymn Response

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name  
On earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity! Amen.

#### The Minister

"Seek ye the Lord, while He may be found, Call ye upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him, and abundantly pardon."

#### The Congregational Response (spoken)

"O come let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our maker. Know ye that the Lord, He is God; It is He that hath made us and we are His; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture."

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMN NO. 6 "Sing, My Soul to God"

Sing, my soul, to God who made thee, Raise to heav'n thy grateful voice, All His creatures, singing, bid thee In His goodness to rejoice. Pure and holy love unbounded Fills His tender heart and kind; All who truly serve Him find Rest by God's strong arm surrounded. Heaven and earth may not endure, But God's love is ever sure.	Faith can break the pow'r of death, Hell itself shall not deride me. Heav'n and earth may not endure, But God's love is ever sure.  E'en in sleep His care surrounds me, With new strength and youth im- bues; His unbounded grace confounds me, Each new morn His love renews. In sore trials and temptations He, my Saviour, still is near, Bids me, "Child, do thou not fear, Thou shalt yet see my salvation." Heav'n and earth may not endure, But God's love is ever sure, Amen.
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E'en the Son He loved so dearly  
Died that we thro' Him might live;  
Was e'er love like His, who merely  
Lived His life in love to give?  
Holy Spirit, teach and guide me,  
Fill my heart with loving faith;

### PRESENTING THE VISION OF SERVICE

The Call through Isaiah—Isaiah 6:1-8  
The Call through Christ—Matthew 4:18-25  
The Call of the Master—Matthew 6:19-33  
The Call of the World—Matthew 28:18-20

Pastor Schroeder  
Pastor Diehm  
Pastor Tepas  
Pastor Kurkowski

**Response by the Choir** "The Gloria Patri"

**SOLO** "Prayer" Guyon  
Mrs. Mabel Weber, soprano

### THE PRAYER

#### Choral Supplication and Amen

"Hear, O Lord, our humble supplication; accept us, O Lord, for Jesus' sake."

**THE OFFERTORY** "Legende" Marceaux

**THE ANTHEM** "Coronation" Schuler

### SILENT MEDITATION

**THE SERMON** "The Personal Obligation" from John 21  
The Rev. Henry Walch, Pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church

### THE RITE OF ORDINATION

**ORDINATION HYMN** Melody: National Hymn, No. 421

God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons;  
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast;  
Each age its solemn task may claim but once:  
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.

Anoint them prophets! Make their ears attend  
To the divinest speech; their hearts awake  
To human need; their lips make eloquent  
To assure the right, and every evil break.

Anoint them priests! Strong intercessors they  
For pardon, and for charity and peace!  
Oh, if with them the world might pass astray  
Into the dear Christ's life of sacrifice.

Make them apostles! Heralds of the Cross,  
Forth may they go to tell all realms Thy grace;  
Inspired of Thee, may they count all but loss,  
And stand at last with joy before Thy face.

Oh mighty age of prophet-kings return!  
O truth, O faith, enrich our urgent time!  
Lord Jesus Christ, again with us sojourn;  
A weary world awaits Thy reign sublime. Amen.

### A LITANY FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH (People stand)

**Minister:** That they may not lose the sense of the wonder of their commission and become like common traders in a common market, babbling about common wares,

**People:** We most earnestly pray Thee, our Father.

**Minister:** That they may not become mere guide-posts when they were intended to be guides,

**People:** We most earnestly pray Thee, our Father.

**Minister:** That they may never be engrossed in narrow duties and little questions when the vast needs of humanity call aloud for prophetic vision and apostolic sympathy.

**People:** We beseech Thee, our Heavenly Father.

**Minister:** That they may not be arrested by the lure of popularity—which is of the world, and thereby lose the vision of the stars.

**People:** We heartily pray Thee, O God.

**Minister:** That they may share Christ's sense of eternal values, and may not be afraid of the loneliness of following the highest they know,

**People:** We pray Thee with sincere conviction, our Father.



**THE CHARGE TO THE CANDIDATE FOR ORDINATION**

(People seated. The candidate stands before the ordaining pastor and the district president.)

The Charge on basis of Scriptural admonitions.

The Acceptance by the candidate and the confession of the Creed.

The Vows

**THE ORDER OF LAYING ON OF HANDS**

(The candidate kneels, surrounded by ordaining clergy.)

Pastor Hoefer: Revelations 2:10

Pastor Haass: Colossians 1:25-29

Pastor Baltzer (in absentia): Isaiah 52:7

Pastor Schroeder: Hebrews 12:1, 2

Pastor Diehm: Proverbs 4:23

Pastor Tepas: II Timothy 4:1-5

Pastor Kurkowski: Isaiah 1:17

**THE GIVING OF THE HAND OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP****PRAYER AND LORDS PRAYER** (In Unison)**THE BENEDICTION**

The Rev. William R. Walch

**THE DOXOLOGY****THE POSTLUDE**

It is with a deep sense of satisfaction that we rejoice with William R. Walch who is being ordained into the Christian ministry at this service. William was baptized, confirmed in, and is now being sent forth into full-time service from his home church, St. Paul's. He was graduated from Elmhurst College in 1934 and a few weeks ago from Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., being the first son of our congregation to complete his course of study for the ministry in the seventy-five years of its history, with the exception of Paul Zeller, who was ordained during his father's pastorate here in the 1880s. We congratulate him upon the successful completion of his course of study, and wish him every success and blessing upon the Way of Service that lies ahead. This day is also one of rejoicing for the parents, William and Rose Walch, sister Gertrude, and brother Frederick, all of whom have brought considerable sacrifice to make this achievement possible. Mr. Walch is superintendent of our Sunday School, in which Miss Gertrude is a teacher. The entire congregation expresses its heartfelt congratulations.

Welcome to this ordination service is extended all members and friends of our sister churches in Rochester who are sharing this joyous occasion with us tonight. To the pastors in particular do de voice our appreciation for their part in the solemn and impressive rite of ordination by which the candidate is received into the fellowship of the Christian ministry.

Authorization for ordination has officially come from the honorable presidents of the Synod and District, the Rev. F. C. Klick, and the Rev. Carl G. Haass. The latter is representing the synod officially as well as our sister church, Trinity, of which he is the pastor.

The preacher of the ordination sermon is an uncle of the candidate, and one-time interim pastor in St. Paul's, the Rev. Henry Walch, pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church of this city. We are happy that this honor has been accepted by him. Pastor Walch grew up in the religious fellowship of Trinity Evangelical Church, and like most of the pastors participating in these services, was a student at Elmhurst College.

The Rev. William R. Walch will greet all friends in the tower vestibule following the service.

Members of St. Paul's are reminded that William will preach at the morning worship next Sunday, and lead the vesper service in Willow Point Park, Webster, in connection with the congregational and Sunday School picnic. Transportation can be provided for all who make application. Basket lunches should be brought unless one wishes to eat at the restaurant on the grounds. Games and good-fellowship for all. Come!



## City's Head Fuddy and Somewhat Unplowed on Fourth Day of Battle with Snow 1944





## *Line Buckers from the Big Leagues*



*This pair of plows, one from Syracuse, ride hub to hub as they blast through South Avenue at Mt. Hope Avenue en route to St. Paul Street, which really needed some cleaning. The heavy vehicles, which arrived here last night, are part of a fleet of 24 ordered into snow-packed Rochester after city officials appealed to Governor Dewey for aid. Three days of local struggling had proved inadequate.*











After serving as organist and choirmaster in St. Paul's for almost 38 years, Henry Betz, 160 Grand Ave., of city engineers office, has been forced to resign because of ill health. Beginning his service as a youth of seventeen, Mr. Betz came to St. Paul's when the church was still located on Fitzhugh Street during the pastorate of the Rev. William Baur. When the church relocated on the corner of Norton and Jewel Streets, first at a chapel and then in a permanent structure he came with the congregation. It is unusual that such a record of service is established in any organ loft in the churches of our city. The congregation reluctantly accepted his resignation which was effective on May 1.

Anniversary Dates

Sept. 26-Oct. 10  
1937**DIAMOND JUBILEE**

—OF—

**St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church**Elmer Henry Hoefer, Pastor  
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Bring or send your Thank-Offering on or before

*September 12, 1937*

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

1862

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DIAMOND JUBILEEof  
St Paul Evangelical Church  
Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Elmer Henry Hoefer, pastor.

1862

September 26 - October 10

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Recognizing the Goodness of God and the blessings of the Church,  
I desire to share in the Anniversary Offering (Goal \$3775) to  
the following amount.....

\$.....payable by Sept. 10, 1937 when the Anniversary  
Book with names of donors and amount of offering goes to press.

Signed.....

Contents of your anniversary bank will be credited to your  
pledge, and your name will be inscribed on the Anniversary  
Scroll at the church.





# Art Beisheim Studio

113 Rohr Street



Buffalo, N. Y.

Sep. 18, 1945.

Dear Elmer:-

Herewith three proofs of work I did the other day when you were away.

Interior is good, needs a bit of dodging. Probably should use more of negative on sides for P.C. proportion, since you probably want as much of the ceiling and as much of the pews showing as is shown on this 5x7. The two front windows can be printed in a bit more and two dark areas either side of altar where you have the two sacraments should be held back a bit so as to be lighter. This is a straight print, no dodging.

EXTERIOR;- that was a head-ache. I thought your building faced West toward the river, so went down in the middle of the afternoon. It was a bit overcast now and then, but by the time I got mother to the Doc. and down to your church it ceased to be overcast. Now then the back lighting gives dramatic effects in many cases when it can be controlled, but a building and trees do not lend themselves to movement of position. An overcast day would be much better, a little later in the fall when half the leaves are off the trees would also let one see more of the building and beautiful lines of architecture. These views can be printed a bit better, but you'd still have the flare of back-lighting from the leaves, so I'd better catch it the next time I'm over. May be over this week yet as sis is in the hospital, but mother can't stand the two-way trip, and would want to stay, which is not suitable at this time -- but may come over alone. If I do I'll get it better. Have a variety of other views, but none as well balanced as this. If in a hurry I can order the interior, and wait with the exterior till I get a better shot which should be soon. No. 22 has one of your boys! It looks better than an empty sidewalk. Or maybe you have a good picture of your building which could be used.

*Yours truly,  
Art Beisheim*



**DIAMOND JUBILEE GIFT SUGGESTIONS.**

Choose your gift and subscribe it by signing your name on the Scroll of Honor in the Jewel Street Vestibule.

New front & side Panels for the Altar

A new Typewriter Mimeograph

Torq-clock for bulletin board

Evergreens & Ivies

Chairs for Beginner & Primary Departments

A JUST SHARE IN THE

Bequests \$100 up.

A Memorial Flower endowment! \$25

Speak to the pastor or to any councilman about the cost, need, or any other item about these suggested gifts.

Loans - will pay 4% interest.

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St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church  
Rochester, N. Y.  
Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor.  
A.D. 1937

Scarlet Altar Hangings

Black Altar Hangings

New Pews for Choir Loft

Furniture and Lamps for the Lounge

Paint for redecoration of the church basement.

A Tenor-bell for the tower.

ANNIVERSARY GOAL OF \$3 7 7 5.

Annuities on which you will receive 4% interest during your life-time. (Where can you invest your money more safely or in better cause?) Any amount.

Let your generosity at the 75th Anniversary be such that it will celebrate the 100th Anniversary in 1962!

Endowments in cash or by legacy. \$100 up.





# FREEDOM LOST FOR ONE—GAINED FOR THE OTHER

left, British guard Arthur Seyss-Inquart (right), German commissioner of Netherlands, after his capture in Hamburg; at right, the famed German pastor Martin Niemöller talks with unidentified Yank war correspondent after cleric's release from prison.



# GAINED FOR THE OTHER

right, the famed German pastor Martin Niemöller talks with unidentified Yank war correspondent after cleric's release from prison.



Greetings from  
the Nussmann family.

## The Consistory and Congregation of EMANUEL EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH

Hamilton at Bond St. Rochester, New York

Cordially Invite You  
to the  
INSTALLATION SERVICE

of its  
MINISTER  
Oscar C. Nussmann

Sunday Afternoon, May 20, 1945  
Four o'clock

A Reception will follow



### FIRST THINGS FIRST

Lent "I will go to Church!" Lent

During the Lenten Season, I will join with Fellow-Christians of St Paul's Church in "A Pilgrimage to Calvary"

Feb-Mar.	Wednesday	26	4	11	18	25
1939	Sunday	1	8	15	22	29
April	Wednesday	1	8	Good Friday		
	Sunday	Palm Sunday			Easter	

I will mark an (X) each Wednesday and Sunday worship I attend, and will seek to make a perfect attendance my Lenten goal. On Easter Sunday I will bring this card to church to be placed upon the Altar as my pledge of Christian Discipleship.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

## PASTOR MARKS ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, March 5, 1939, Pastor Elmer Hoefer marked the 10th anniversary of his ministry in St. Paul's Evangelical and Reform Church by preaching on the theme and text of his installation sermon delivered on the first Sunday in March, 1929. "The Motto at our Masthead."

The organizations of the church under leadership of the president of the church council, John Bareis, arranged an anniversary reception on Friday evening, March 10, in the social rooms of the church. The pastor was presented with a chair for the parsonage study, and an electric shaver. During the past decade 461 names have been added to the membership roll of the church.

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The mid-week Lenten services have been held in the form of a pilgrimage through the Life of Christ via the medium of art, poetry and music. Colored slides prepared by Prof. Arthur Bailey from original masterpieces in the art galleries of the world have been rented from the Board of Visual Instruction in Philadelphia. These slides are projected upon a large picture frame in the center of the chancel, the choir and the minister alternating in interpreting these pictures through use of musical numbers or of poetry. The entire Life of Christ, from his nativity to the resurrection is being reviewed.

On Judica Sunday evening, the confirmation class will give its public testimony prior to the consecration and confirmation service on Palm Sunday morning. Members of the class, which is unusually small this year, include Neva Hoffmeier, Shirley Barnett, Ruth Sholes, Arlene Kulp, Frank Vogel, Richard Paeth, Harold Singer.


On Palm Sunday evening a confirmation reunion service will be held, and a special effort is being made to bring together the members of the classes confirmed during the ten years of the Hoefer pastorate. A memorial service for the late William Krase, for seven years patriarch of the Old Timers of St. Paul's will be held.

During Holy Week, St. Paul's will cooperate with the Federation of Churches in the daily noon-day services being conducted in the Baptist Temple, in addition to the following services held in its own sanctuary:

Wednesday evening, "Behold the Man: His Eternal Conquest". Good Friday, 7:30 p. m., German Preaching and Communion. 8:30 p. m. Candle-Light Communion service. Easter Sunday: 7 a. m. Lily Memorial Service and Communion. 8:30 a. m. Easter Breakfast. 9:15 a. m., Easter service in the Sunday School. 10:30 a. m., Easter Worship and Holy Communion.

The Brotherhood Class for men, and the Willing Workers for ladies, have been conducting a friendly Lenten Contest in which points are awarded for attendance, visitors brought, and correct answers to a Bible quiz. On the first Sunday the men led, but were soon overtaken by the ladies who are now in the lead. Pastor Hoefer, and Miss Lucile Reuschle are class teachers.

### '... To India's Coral Strands'



Symbol of international amity is this outdoor altar dedicated yesterday at St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Norton Street. For members and friends, to build it, collected stones from the North Cape, Norway, to the Wall of China. With some of his choir in the background, the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, is shown as he consecrated altar at morning worship.

1939



## Claimed by Death



HENRY BETZ

## Henry Betz Burial Rites Tomorrow

Last rites will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow at 301 Alexander for Henry Betz, 56, city engineering office draftsman for 34 years, who died yesterday at his home, 331 Rosewood Ter. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Betz was organist at St. Paul's Evangelical Church for 36 years. He was born in Germany, Apr. 25, 1883 and came to Rochester as a child. He was graduated from Wagner College here before it was moved to Staten Island.

Surviving are a daughter, Ruth Betz; five brothers, the Rev. Carl F. W. Betz, William A. Betz, of Rochester, Dr. G. A. Betz, and Prof. Frederick Betz of New York, and Dr. H. Betz of Columbia, Mo., and a sister, Miss Martha Betz of Rochester.

**BETZ**—Henry Betz, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1939, at his home, 331 Rosewood Ter. Survived by his daughter, Ruth; five brothers, Pastor C. Betz, Professor W. Betz of this city, Dr. G. A. Betz and Professor F. Betz of New York, Dr. H. Betz of Columbia, Mo., and one sister, Miss Martha Betz of this city. Deceased was a member of the Chess Club. Friends are invited to call at Bender Bros., 301 Alexander St. Funeral services Thursday, Dec. 28, 1939, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. E. H. Hoefler will officiate. The courtesy of no flowers will be appreciated.

*Died, Dec 26, 1939*

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES, ACTIVITIES LISTED AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Various Sunday services in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church during the month of December constitute steps leading up to the outstanding service of the entire year—the festival of Christmas. This service will begin Sunday, December 24, at 10:30 a. m., when the topic will be, "Those Who Came Glorified in God."

On Christmas Eve, between 11 p. m. and midnight, the midnight carol service will be held, and on Christmas Day, at 10 a. m., will be Christmas services and Holy Communion in the German language.

Christmas celebrations which have been held by various groups of the church include:

**Brotherhood**—On December 4 the Brotherhood devoted the recreational portion of its monthly meeting to a Christmas party, including a tournament of games (Continued on page 19)

in which all brotherhood men and their friends took part.

**Altar Society**—The regular meeting, on the first Thursday, was held on December 7, beginning with a luncheon. All members co-operated in establishing a record of 100 per cent attendance at this Christmas rally. Auto transportation was provided for all aged and shut-in members.

**Sunday School**—The Sunday School Christmas program will be celebrated on Sunday evening, December 17, at 7 p. m. All departments of the school, from beginner to adult forums, will share in the program under the direction of Superintendent Edward Uehlin, and his assistant, Raymond Raufelsen.

In thankfulness for the blessings received, a White Gift for Others will be received. A play, "The First Christmas," will be presented.

**Christmas services**—10:30 a. m., December 24, "Those Who Came, Glorified God."

**Christmas Eve**—11-12 p. m., midnight carol service.

**Christmas Day**—10 a. m., Christmas service and Holy Communion in the German language.

The Sauerkraut Supper, served annually by the ladies of the Altar Society, was served on Tuesday, December 5, from 5-7 p. m. At 8 o'clock, the December "Church and Family Night" was observed. Song service was led by Allan Draper, choir director. Alex El-sesser of Milwaukee, Wis., who was a student at the German Baptist Seminary, rendered several selections on his musical saw. Professor F. W. Meyer spoke on his trip to Saskatchewan, Canada, last Winter, where he taught a Bible School while the temperature was 40 degrees below zero. Though retired and 77 years old, Prof. Meyer is still an adventurer and enjoys the challenge of unusual opportunities.

Regular hours of Sunday doing at St. Paul's are: Worship service, 10:30 a. m.; Church School, 9:15 a. m.; Youth League, first and third Sundays, 7 p. m.; symposium, last Sunday, 7 p. m.

Confirmation instruction is given on Saturdays from 9 to 11:30 a. m.

## Class of Eleven Is Confirmed at St. Paul Church

Following an instruction period on Saturday and Sunday mornings over the past two years, a class of eleven made their confirmation vows before the altar of St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church on Palm Sunday morning.

Members of the class are June Howorth, Jean Hurlburt, Jane Bareis, Shirley Watts, Jane Valsey, Ruth Uehlin, George Hoffman, Donald Koch, Edward Buckler, Charles Webster and Howard Schaeffer.

The public examination of the confirmation class took place in the church on Sunday evening, March 10 before parents, sponsors, friends and members of the congregation. Bibles were presented to the confirmands by the president of the church, John Bareis, assisted by the board of elders.

The Palm Sunday reunion service will be held at 7:45 p. m. A sacred concert will be given by the male chorus of the German Baptist Seminary of Lancaster, Pa., was guest preacher. He illustrates his address with a sound picture, "Our Master's Voice."

The Old Timers' Club, William C. Walch patriarch, holds its quarterly meeting following the service, arranges the fellowship hour for the confirmands and serves the refreshments.

On Good Friday, a German preaching and communion service will be held at 7 p. m. At 8:45 with a communion service in the English language.

The Easter Dawn Lily Memorial service will be held at 7 a. m. Easter Sunday. Lilies dedicated to the memory of departed loved ones will be dedicated with prayers on behalf of their souls. Holy communion will be administered.

An Easter breakfast will be served by the ladies of the Adult Bible Class.

The main Easter worship and communion will begin at 10:30 a. m., with a processional of choir, confirmands, elders and the pastor. The confirmands will receive their first communion with parents and their sponsors at their baptism.

White altar hangings given by Mrs. Andrew Bonnet in memory of her sister, Miss Martha Pfeiffer, a life-long member of St. Paul's, will be dedicated. The dedication of another surprise gift for which the congregation has worked for some years is also anticipated.

New members will be received into the fellowship of the church. An Easter offering for local church needs will be received. All members of the church have been given Lenten self-denial envelopes which shall be brought to the sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

On April 3, the first post-Lenten Church and Family night will be held in the lower auditorium. A supper will be served by the Altar Society from 5 to 7 p. m. A song-fest followed by the showing of sound and color films of the World's Fair, will constitute the program. Friends of the community are cordially invited to share in this neighborhood night.



## Amateur Night April 25-26 at St. Paul's Church

An amateur night will be held at St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church on Thursday and Friday evenings, April 25 and 26, after a talent quest among the people of the church. John Bareis will direct the program. A free-will offering to defray the expenses of a new stage and equipment will be received.

The annual Fathers-sons-and daughters Banquet will be held Monday evening, May 6, under auspices of St. Paul's Brotherhood, Herbert Lansdale, Jr., executive secretary of the YMCA; will be the speaker. Frank Vogel will act as chairman of dining room, Henry Otto is chairman of the kitchen committee, Harry Clarke is in charge of the entertainment. The Board of Deacons, Mrs. George Gardner, chairman, will serve the meal.

Ascension Day, May 2, will be observed in St. Paul's Church by worship and communion services. Joining with Evangelical and Reformed Church women, the Alter Society will meet at Salem Church 10:30 a.m. for a service of prayer.

The Rev. H. H. Lohans, former missionary in India, former pastor of Salem Church and, at present pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical Church in Buffalo, will be the speaker. At 8 o'clock in the evening, St. Paul Churchmen will assemble for an "Upper Room" communion service in the church. Pastor Hoefler will be the officiant.

Whitsunday, or Pentecost, will be observed with a service of Holy Communion and the reception of new members on Sunday, May 12.

Young people of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of Rochester will meet for an annual rally with the Buffalo Youth Federation, which will come to Rochester by special train, on Sunday May 26. The Rev. Elmer G. Homrighausen, professor of homiletics at Princeton Theological Seminary, will be the speaker. The place of meeting is Salem Church.

A set of candelabra will be dedicated in St. Paul's Church on Pentecost Sunday, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hallings in memory of their son, Leonard.

## Will Dedicate Gifts



REV. E. H. HOEFER  
... St. Paul pastor

St. Paul's Church, Rochester, N. Y., Rev. Elmer H. Hoefler, pastor, had a day of unusual rejoicing on Easter, when, through the generosity of two members, both confirmed in St. Paul's in the class of 1873, two memorial gifts were dedicated. A set of white altar hangings was given by Mrs. Andrew Bonnet in memory of her sister, Miss Martha Pfeiffer, a lifelong member of the Church, and an amplifying system, by which organ and chimes are broadcast from the tower, was given by Mrs. Lena Kern in memory of her husband, Jacob Kern, and was dedicated as "The Jacob and Lena Kern Singing

Tower." Included in the amplifying system is an attachment by which voices of children can be amplified so that they may be heard in the farthest corner of the spacious sanctuary. Within the radius of a mile, the community will hear organ and chimes in the period immediately preceding worship. Thus the large bell, cast in 1898 and dedicated during the pastorate of Prof. William Baur, will have able assistance in calling men to worship.

## Memorial Gifts To Be Dedicated

Two memorial gifts will be dedicated tomorrow at St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church by the pastor, the Rev. E. H. Hoefler. A "singing tower" which will broadcast organ music and chimes will be dedicated to the memory of Jacob Kern, a gift of his wife, Mrs. Lena Kern.

At set of altar hangings, gift of Mrs. Andrew Bonnet, will be dedicated to the memory of her sister, Martha Pfeiffer.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH ACTIVITIES LISTED

Among activities that occupied the interest of organizations in St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church in the first month of the new year were an address by the Rev. Herman J. Hahn, of Buffalo, to the churchmen of the north-side, invited by St. Paul's brotherhood, on the subject, "The motives behind the Dies Investigation."

The Altar Society heard Mrs. Clara Voehringer of Maplewood, N. J., on the work of the Syrian Orphanage in Jerusalem, now in its eightieth year and in precarious financial condition because of the war in Europe.

Mrs. Voehringer, a former missionary in Africa, was a war refugee during the World War, and knew from personal experience what dreadful undercurrents of misery a war among the nations can produce.

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Annual congregational meeting will be held on January 24, with officers of all organizations in the church giving reports for the past year and outlining plans and programs for the present year. Church councilmen and deaconesses were elected to take the place of those who had served their term.

The mid-week Lenten services in St. Paul's will be held on Wednesday evenings, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 7. The elders are assisting in the preparation of seven panels, upon each of which, on the successive Wednesday evenings, will be hung one of the symbols of the Crucifixion.

These will include a crown of thorns, a spear, the superscription, the seamless robe, the sop, and other articles identified with the torture and Crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The Lenten Chorus, under direction of Allan Draper, will provide appropriate music. The pastor will give a brief Lenten meditation.

The drama club of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., will present the play, "St. Claudia," in St. Paul's Church on Sunday evening, March 3. All Evangelical and Reformed Churches in the Rochester area are sponsoring the presentation.

This drama portrays the sacrifice and devotion required in the early days of our era by those who were loyal to their religion and will constitute a real challenge to renewed faith to all such who think that religion is easy, safe and established once, and for all, in the world.

A memorial service was held in connection with the worship service following the death of Henry Betz, of the city engineering office, who for 37 years from 1901 to 1938, was organist and choir director in St. Paul's Church. Mr. Betz died after an illness of some duration, on second Christmas Day.

The young people's society is devoting several Sunday evening meetings to a discussion of "Good Manners," under the leadership of Alexander Elssesser of the Seminary. The marks of Christian Courtesy will be sought out and aid before each member for emulation.



## Anniversary Services Set By St. Paul's Church

Observing the centennial of the Evangelical Synod, the 50th anniversary of the Hungarian Synod, the 215th anniversary of the Reformed Church in the U. S. A. and the 78th birthday of St. Paul's Church, a number of special services are being planned by Pastor Hoefler and the church council. On October 6, a World-Wide Communion Sunday will be celebrated. New members will be received into the fellowship of the church.

On October 13, an anniversary service will be held in the morning with special sermon, liturgy and music. In the evening a union service of the six Evangelical and Reformed Churches in Rochester will be held in Salem Church. The Rev. John N. Le Van, D. D. of Harrisburg, Pa., will be the anniversary preacher. United choirs under the direction of Dr. Herman Genhart will provide the music. Concluding the anniversary will be a Birthday Banquet in St. Paul's Church on October 17, with members of the church council acting as hosts at each table. A jubilee offering will be raised for Kingdom Service and local needs.

The choir of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church is being directed by J. Alfred Casad, director of music at Madison High School, and an alumnus of Heidelberg College, and Evangelical and Reformed School in Tiffin Ohio. Mr. Casad will continue the fine tradition established by St. Paul's choirs over many years.

The Women's Guild of the W. New York Synod met at the Conference Grounds at Dunkirk, N. Y., on September 10 and 11. St. Paul's was represented at this convocation of 300 women by Mrs. Fred Pfeil, Mrs. Sophia Lemon, Mrs. Fred Reuschle, Mrs. Jennie Stoehr, and Mrs. Elmer Hoefler. The merger convention in which the women's organizations of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches

will be united is scheduled to be held in St. Peter's Church, Buffalo, N. Y., October 3 and 4.

The 1941 and 1942 confirmation classes met on Saturday morning September 21, from 9 until 11:30 o'clock. Instructions were given by the pastor, and will continue until Easter.

The Church Councilmen and their families enjoyed a Clam Bake at the John Bareis Cottage at Webster Park on Sunday afternoon, September 15.

A meeting of all officers of church organizations was held on Tuesday evening, September 17, in order to plan the cooperative program of the church for the coming season.

The regional conferences of the Rochester area will be held in Salem Church, October 21, 22. This meeting brings together representatives of church councils, congregations and church organizations to acquaint all churches in the area with the cooperative program of the denomination.

New members are being instructed for reception into the church on World Communion Sunday, October 6. They are meeting with the pastor on consecutive Friday evenings.

## St. Paul's Arranges Lawn Vespers

St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed, Norton and Jewel, will conduct the second in a series of goodwill vespers tomorrow at 7 p. m. before the "friendship altar" on the lawn of the church.

The service will be sponsored by the Rochester Chapter of the Fellowship of Reconciliation.

The Rev. Robert Horton, pastor of Trinity Methodist, will preside. George Kingsley will speak on "What War Means to Me." The Rev. Mr. Horton will discuss "The Christian Facing the Crisis." Jack Kerridge of the Friends Service Committee will talk on work among refugees. The Rev. William Long Dowler, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, will lead the prayer.

The Fellowship of Reconciliation is a peace organization founded during the last war and includes in its membership such international figures as Muriel Lester of England, Philip Vernier of France, John Nevill Sayre and A. J. Muste of the United States.

## Goodwill Vespers Close

Before Friendship Altar on the lawn of St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church tomorrow evening, the Rev. Frank Reynolds will preach the closing message in a series of vesper services dedicated to inter-church goodwill.

Stressing the recent merger of Evangelical and Reformed denominations at the General Synod in Lancaster, the newly installed pastor of Dewey Avenue Evangelical and Reformed Church will speak on "Goodwill Among Churches." Mrs. George Weber and Dewey Dodson will sing.

Tomorrow's vesper service is scheduled for 7 p. m. The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefler is pastor of the sponsoring church, located on Jewel at Norton.

## A Great Artist

The career and achievements of Charles Paul Gruppe constitute a more eloquent tribute to genius and industry than any editorial writer can pen.

Although a native of Ontario and the last years of his life were spent far from this city, Rochester can claim this distinguished landscape and portrait artist as its own. His youth and young manhood were spent here; he took a Western New York woman, Miss Helen Mitchell, for his wife; and his daughter and two sisters are still residents of Rochester.

Mr. Gruppe celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary on Sept. 3. But to him birthdays were of passing interest. His work was all that counted and he never thought age was any reason for resting on the laurels he had won.

It was only two years ago that he remarked "I never expect to reach my peak."

This was not uttered in any spirit of braggadocio, but only expressed a warranted confidence that he still had within himself greater things than he had yet accomplished.

Mr. Gruppe was an artist whose work the layman can enjoy. As Miss Croughton, The Times-Union's art critic wrote in her appreciation of him, he had no love for the so-called "modern" color and distortion of form.

A truly great artist has passed and Rochester is proud that it had a part in his development.



## Gruppe Liked Rich Color of Dutch Masters

By AMY CROUGHTON

While the influence of his early studies in Holland and his affinity for the strong rich color and the careful detail of the work of the Dutch masters are evident in the earlier landscapes by Charles P. Gruppe, there was a consistent development of individuality throughout his long life of constant experiment with color and form.

Mr. Gruppe always styled himself a "chiefly self-taught." Like many of the painters who formed their style in the 1880s and 1890s, he had abundant opportunity for assimilating knowledge from the groups of artists, both in this country and abroad, with whom he was associated. He was a good draftsman, as some of the drawings which he kept in his studio in Carnegie Hall as mementoes of his student days in Holland testify.

He turned to a higher-keyed pallet in the later years of his painting, but he had no love for the so-called "modern" color and distortion of form. His subjects were mainly those of the woods and meadows, richly green and shot with warm sunlight, or of seascapes done during the summer at his studio in Gloucester.

In both there is a feeling for nature in its phases of beauty rather than in its harsher aspects. He also painted a number of portraits, workmanlike and well-balanced color compositions, though he much preferred to work on landscapes and marine scenes.

*Raised in St. Paul's Church. Sister Miss Clara Gruppe a member.*

*One of his paintings hangs in the Lory Kerner.*

## Bay State Rites Arranged For C. P. Gruppe, Artist

The funeral of Charles Paul Gruppe, leading Rochester landscape and portrait painter who died yesterday at his summer home in Rockport, Mass., will be conducted there at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Gruppe was 80 on Sept. 3.

He became ill in the first part of August while painting here. He visited a nephew in Utica for several days before returning to Rockport with his daughter, Virginia Gruppe.

Born in Pictou, Ont., he came to Rochester when still a child and entered School 13.

By the time he was 13, he was painting. He worked at odd jobs but kept on painting. At 29 he married Miss Helen Mitchell of Lakeville. They moved to Holland, where he lived for 20 years, building a studio at Katwyk on the Zee, adjoining the homes of Joseph Israels and Albert Neyhuys and other masters of the modern Dutch school.

He won high honors by being elected to the Pulchre Studio Art Club at The Hague, at which time his first exhibited painting, a water color of a Voorburg canal, was purchased by Queen Wilhelmina. Queen Emma, mother of Wilhelmina, bought his second. These purchases, he afterward admitted, were practically his making.

Recipient of innumerable medals, Mr. Gruppe received awards from Rouen, the Philadelphia Art Society, the Exhibition Paris et Province.

He contributed works to the permanent collections of the Library at Rouen, Memorial Art Gallery here, Furstin von Carolath, Berlin; National Art Gallery, New York; Butler Museum, Youngstown, Ohio; St. Louis Museum, Brooklyn Museum, Detroit Museum, National Museum, Washington; the National Gallery, Canada, and many others.

One of the founders of the Rochester Art Club, third oldest in the country, in 1872, when he was only 12 years old, he later became a member of the American Water Color Society, New York Color Club, National Art Club, Art Club of Philadelphia and the Salmagundi Club of New York.

The vigor of Mr. Gruppe's work never left him over the long period of years in which he pursued his career avidly. He exhibited here in 1896, and in 1933 declared, "I never expect to reach my peak."

He leaves his wife; three sons, Emil, an artist; Paul, a cellist, and Carl, sculptor of the famous Hendrik Hudson monument in New York, all born here; his daughter, an artist, born in Katwyk, and two sisters, Mrs. J. Neil and Miss Clara A. Gruppe, both of Rochester.



C. P. Gruppe

## St. Pauls Kirche feiert drei Jubiläen

Jubiläen der Evangelischen und Reformierten Kirchen des Landes werden von den über 3000 Kirchen dieser Glaubensbekenntnisse gefeiert. Hier in Rochester morgen abend mit einem Festessen in der Gemeindehalle der Ev. St. Pauls Kirche an der Ecke der Norton- und Jewel Str., die gleichzeitig auch den eigenen Gründungsstag begeht.

Arrangiert wird dieses Festessen von Kirchenräten und deren Gattinnen, die die Teilnehmer an den Tischen nach den Geburtsmonaten gruppieren werden. Vorjäger ist John Bareis, Präsident des Kirchenrats, und den Billettverkauf leitet Ralph Vojt.

An den einzelnen Tischen sind Gastgeber:

Januar, Herr und Frau John Bareis; Februar, Herr und Frau Edward Weismiller; März, Herr und Frau Roger Catlin; April, Herr und Frau George Gardner; Mai, Herr und Frau Herbert Kraje; Juni, Herr und Frau William King; Juli, Herr und Frau Herbert Groth; August, Herr und Frau Clarence Brown; September, Herr und Frau Fred Hud; Oktober, Herr und Frau William Robinson; November, Herr und Frau Fred Brown; Dezember, Herr und Frau Jacob Eckert.

Das Essen wird von der White Shrine Patrouille serviert.

Feitredner ist Pastor Carl G. Haas, Präsident der West New Yorker Synode der Ev. und Ref. Kirche, dessen Thema „The Church through the Centuries“ lautet. Unterhaltung wird von Teilnehmern beigegeben.

Gefeiert wird das 100. Beitehen der Evangelischen Synode, das 215. Beitehen der Reformierten Kirche und der 78te Geburtsstag der St. Pauls Kirche.

## St. Paul's Parish Lists Banquet

MARKING the anniversaries which are being celebrated by the 3,000 churches of the Evangelical and Reformed Church during the month of October, members of St. Paul's Church will gather for a banquet in the church tomorrow evening. Dinner will be served by the White Shrine patrol. Principal speaker will be the Rev. Carl G. Haass, president of the Western New York Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, who has chosen his topic, "The Church Through the Centuries." Anniversaries that will be commemorated during the evening are the 78th of St. Paul's, the 100th of the Evangelical Synod and the 215th of the Reformed Church.

Sponsoring the banquet are the church councilmen and their wives who will be hosts and hostesses at tables which will be arranged according to the months in which the guests were born. Mr. John Bareis, president of the council, is general chairman with Ralph Boss in charge of tickets.

Hosts and hostesses at the various tables will include: Mr. and Mrs. Bareis, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weismiller, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Catlin, Mr. and Mrs. George Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kraje, Mr. and Mrs. William King, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Groth, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hud, Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Eckert.

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**ITS NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED**

Sunday — Dec. 12, 1939  
St. Paul's Congregation Addressed  
by Herbert P. Lansdale.

The chapel at St. Paul street and Northview terrace recently erected by St. Paul's German Evangelical Church, of North Pittsburgh street, was formally dedicated last evening. The service was opened with songs of praise by the choir and congregation, after which Rev. Richard Stare, the pastor, offered prayer. Responsive readings preceded the English address, which was made by Herbert P. Lansdale, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

"The world is looking for men who have deep convictions and big principles," said Mr. Lansdale. "We Christians should have good workable ideas and be passionate about them. Believe thoroughly in what you stand for. The great men of the past were those who believed so sincerely, in what they said that they were ready to lay down their lives for their principles. We've got to stand for something if we want to amount to anything. The only thing that says, that lasts, is religion—pure, unadulterated religion."

"Let us open our hearts and let Jesus Christ enter into our lives. Having had a good start and a clear vision, your success will depend upon what you do and the way you do it. If this chapel stands for God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; if it stands for proper training of children and parents to become disciples of Christ, then it really and truly will be successful in the community."

The address in German was given by the pastor. He said that while the event to which the congregation had looked forward for six months was a moment that brought great joy, the new work would entail big and serious duties for the future, which the congregation must be responsible for.

The service ended with prayer and benediction.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**

Evangelical and Reformed  
Norton near St. Paul Street

March 1941

Lenten services have been unusually well attended in St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church this year. The Sermon series is "Christ is our Peace," with devotionals by the pastor each Wednesday evening listing the word subjects "Peace," "Fellowship," "Forgiveness," "Truth," "Justice," "Compassion," and "Loyalty."

J. Alfred Casad, choir director, and Harold Steen, organist have given attention to Lenten music, with a number of special features being offered. Assisting the regular choir have been the Brotherhood Chorus, the Madi-Choir, the

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Confirmand Choir, Mr. Arthur Brill, violinist; Mrs. C. Samuel Maggio, tenor; and Miss Evelyn Cottrill, contralto.

The Confirmation Class of 1941 will be presented on Judica Sunday morning at the 10:30 service. Public examination and presentation of Bibles from the church will take place in the evening services of March 30.

On Palm Sunday the class will be received into full membership of the church through the rite of confirmation. On Palm Sunday evening, the services will be in charge of the Old Timers of St. Paul, Mr. William C. Walch, patriarch. Confirmation classes of past years will be grouped together. A roll of the members of St. Paul's who have been members 50 years or more will be dedicated. Sound movies, entitled "The Life and Journeys of St. Paul," will be shown.

Communion services will be held as follows:

Good Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. German Communion, 8:30 p. m. English Communion. Easter Sunday morning: 7 a. m. Lily Memorial Communion. This service commemorates through an altar bedecked with lilies, the memory of loved ones who have departed this life.

Two Perpetual Memberships will be dedicated, and a number of Easter gifts to the congregation will be acknowledged. An Easter breakfast will be served by the women of the adult class of the Sunday school.

The Easter worship and communion at 10:30 a. m. will be marked by a processional of the choir, confirmands, new members and elders of the church council. The newly confirmed, with parents and god-parents who stood as sponsors for their baptism, will receive holy communion in a body.

The Bible class and Brotherhood of St. Paul's have recently given the church a new Kodaslide projector and a screen. On Sunday mornings at 9:15 in connection with the worship services of the adult class, Pastor Hofer is showing color pictures of the work of the Evangelical and Reformed Church throughout all the world.

Views of educational institutions, hospitals, missions at home and abroad, summer camps, are listed in the series which will bring to St. Paul people through channels of visual education, and appreciation of what the benevolences of cooperating churches are able to accomplish.



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# International and Racial Friendship Sunday Vesper Series Planned

## Kagawa Due June 16, Seeks Christian Accord

From a nation whose relations with the United States are critical, Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, Japanese preacher of peace, brotherhood and Christian ideals, will come to Rochester on Monday, June 16, in his effort to create better understanding and closer fellowship between Christians of the two nations.

Frail, fearless Dr. Kagawa, whose appearance here in 1936 created a storm of controversy when foes charged he was an Oriental personification of Communism, will address three meetings sponsored by the Federation of Churches and the Ministerial Union in Central Presbyterian Church.

They will include a laymen's luncheon, a minister's conference at 4 p. m., and a mass meeting at 7:45 p. m. His general theme will be "Resources of the Bible for Life in Crisis." Several hundred churchmen from nearly all churches in this area will participate in the meetings, it is expected.

Dr. Kagawa is a member of a party of seven outstanding Japanese Christians sent to this country by the United Christian Church of Japan in April to confer with leading Christian denominational heads of the United States in an effort to effect better Japanese-American relations.

He has banned all discussion of the international crisis on his tour. In announcing the visit to Rochester, the committee issued this statement.

"Because Dr. Kagawa desires to return to his native country to carry on his work there, his friends in America have asked him not to discuss politics."

Last August, the noted Japanese Christian was arrested in Japan on a charge of violating his country's military code, but he was released soon after. He previously had been imprisoned twice and fined three times for his work in Japan.

When he last spoke in Rochester, opposition to him became feverish in certain quarters, because of his interest in the Japanese cooperative movement. Efforts to halt his addresses here were unavailing, but a group of fundamentalists



TOYOHICO KAGAWA  
Frail, fearless

brought in the Rev. J. Frank Norris, D. D., of Detroit and Texas, who in a Convention Hall meeting, accused the crusader of being "hand in glove with the Communists of Russia."

Dr. Kagawa's appearance here is under auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. His purpose in visiting this country is not only to strengthen the bond between Christians of Japan and the United States, according to the Rev. Hugh Chamberlain Burr, executive secretary of the Federation of Churches, but also to discuss future policies between the United Church of Japan and the Mission Boards and Churches of the United States, and to confer regarding the reconstruction of the Christian Mission in Eastern Asia in its relation to Christian churches of the two countries.

## My LENTEN COVENANT

DESIRING closer fellowship with God in Christ through the Lenten Season, when we commemorate especially His supreme sacrifice, I hereby promise and covenant that:

In so far as it is humanly possible,

☐ I will attend the services of worship in my Church. ☐ I will invite people not attending any other Church to the services of my Church.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

If you will cooperate in this plan, kindly check and sign.



## St. Paul's Church Sets Celebration

Preparations are under way for the Celebration of Christ's Nativity in the various groups of St. Paul's Church, culminating in the worship services in the Holy Season.

The Women's Altar Guild conducted a Candle Light Installation Service for new officers on Thursday, December 3, under the leadership of the President, Mrs. Clarence Brown, assisted by vice-president, Mrs. Fred Reuschle; Secretary, Mrs. Nelson Alderman; Financial Secretary, Mrs. William Lohler; Treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Krase. Thoughts of service to the Christ of Christmas, who is God's great gift of Love to the world, were woven into the installation and consecration service. Pastor Hoefler spoke on the origin of Christmas gifts, cards and other customs associated with the celebration of Christmas. Birthday greetings were extended to three birthday sisters: Mrs. Frederike Rocktaschel, who at 86 is the oldest member of the Altar Guild and a regular attendant at Bible Class; Mrs. Mary Wierich, and Mrs. Elmer Hoefler.

The Brotherhood of St. Paul's will feature a Christmas party at their next regular meeting, Monday evening, December 7, to which the ladies have been invited. President Herbert Krase will turn

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over the gavel to the newly elected president, Roger Catlin, who with his staff: Vice-President Ralph Boss; Secretary Nelson Alderman; Financial Secretary Jacob Eckert; Treasurer, William Lohler, will be installed into office.

The Youth League will hold their Christmas party on Tuesday evening, December 15. The fellowship hour will be under the direction of the president Miss Edna Lemon, assisted by the student minister Mr. Vincent Sprock.

Christmas Services are scheduled as follows:  
Sunday afternoon—December 20, 4 a. m., Children's Christmas program.

Christmas Eve, 11-12 a. m., Candle Light Communion Service.

Christmas Day, 10 a. m., German worship and communion, followed by Christmas communion in the American tongue.

Sunday, December 27, 7:30 p. m., Christmas Carol service under the direction of the Sunday School, Mr. Edward Uhalin, Superintendent.

## St. Paul's Church Holds Lent Rites

Lenten services in St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church began with a worship service on Ash Wednesday evening, and will continue throughout the entire Holy Season. A Lenten chorus, the Rev. Pink, will sing appropriate anthems at each mid-week service. The pastor, Elmer H. Hoefler, is preaching a series of sermons on "In the Footsteps of the Twelve," taking two of the disciples as a subject for discussion each night. It is hoped that a clearer knowledge of the life and work of the first disciples of our Lord will enable disciples in the modern day to walk more faithfully in the way Jesus taught.

On Wednesday evening, March 31, the Lenten service will honor the work of the Sunday School. Sunday School teachers and pupils will occupy the center section of pews in the sanctuary. The sound film "The Great Commandment" will be shown.

The young people are being prepared for church membership through confirmation instruction which they have attended on Saturday mornings for the past two years. An additional group of candidates is being given instruction by the pastor on Wednesday evenings following the Lenten service. In these times we claim to battle for a spiritual interpretation of life as against a material-

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the great love of God is made manifest through the gift of His Word and His Son, many should hear the call to come into the fellowship of believers.

The Churchmen's Brotherhood Chorus sang at the Lenten services on Brotherhood Night, March 24. On April 5 the Brotherhood has invited the ladies to be their guests at a fellowship hour in the church parlors. Brothers Herbert Groth, Jacob Eckert and Ralph Boss are in charge.

The Women of St. Paul's met in the sanctuary on Friday, March 12 for a "World Day of Prayer" service, led by the pastor and ten women of the Altar Guild. The program was the same used throughout the Protestant Churches and was prepared under the direction of Georgia Harkness. The offering received was dedicated to the United Council of Church Women.

## Lawn Services Stress Peace Amid Wars

Lawn vesper services dedicated to international and interracial friendship and goodwill will be conducted Sunday evenings, beginning tomorrow, before the outdoor Friendship Altar of St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church, Norton and Jewel streets. The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefler is pastor of the church.

Services will be conducted at 7 p. m. The speaker tomorrow evening will be Oscar Stern, deacon of a Baptist church in Vienna, who will speak on "The Ties That Bind Christians of the World Together."

Rochester Chapter of the Fellowship of Reconciliation will conduct the service July 14, the topic being "Peace and Good Will in All Areas of Strife." The Rev. James E. Rose, D.D., pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, will speak July 25 on "The Place of the Negro Church in the Kingdom of Christ." The Rev. Frank Reynolds, minister at Dewey Avenue Evangelical and Reformed Church, will speak July 28.



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with 12 candles already burning. It is hoped that the mortgage, which has been on the church property since the erection of the building in 1923, may be burned on the first Sunday in the new year.

Efficient as sexton of St. Paul's for the past five years, Herman Howaisen has resigned to move to his native state of Michigan. Among the things in which he was particularly interested was the church lawn, which he cultivated diligently until the church was known as the "church with the beautiful lawn." The good wishes of the neighborhood go with those of the congregation as Mr. and Mrs. Howaisen depart.

The West New York Synod, Rochester Region met at Emmanuel Church, Hamilton and Bond streets, Monday and Tuesday, October 21 and 22. Representatives of the organizations of the churches met to discuss program and goals for the coming year. Increasingly churches are co-ordinating their programs with nation-wide emphasis set by the denominational boards.

The younger adults of St. Paul's met recently to witness pictures and hear an account of a Western trip by Mr. and Mrs. George Haupt. An address on "Mormonism" will also be heard.

The annual sauerkraut supper of the Altar Society of the church was held on Wednesday, October 29 from 5 to 7 p. m. The friends of the neighborhood are cordially invited to this evening of fellowship about a well-laden board.

Members of St. Paul's Church are eagerly working for the complete elimination of the indebtedness on the church by January, the beginning of the 80th anniversary year.

Through the offer of one member to contribute approximately a fourth of the remaining debt on the condition that the congregation raise the balance, the campaign was initiated.

Candles have been arranged in the sanctuary to represent the total debt. As each candle is lit, \$100 is paid into the debt-fund treasury.

Nearly one half of the amount need has thus far been paid in,

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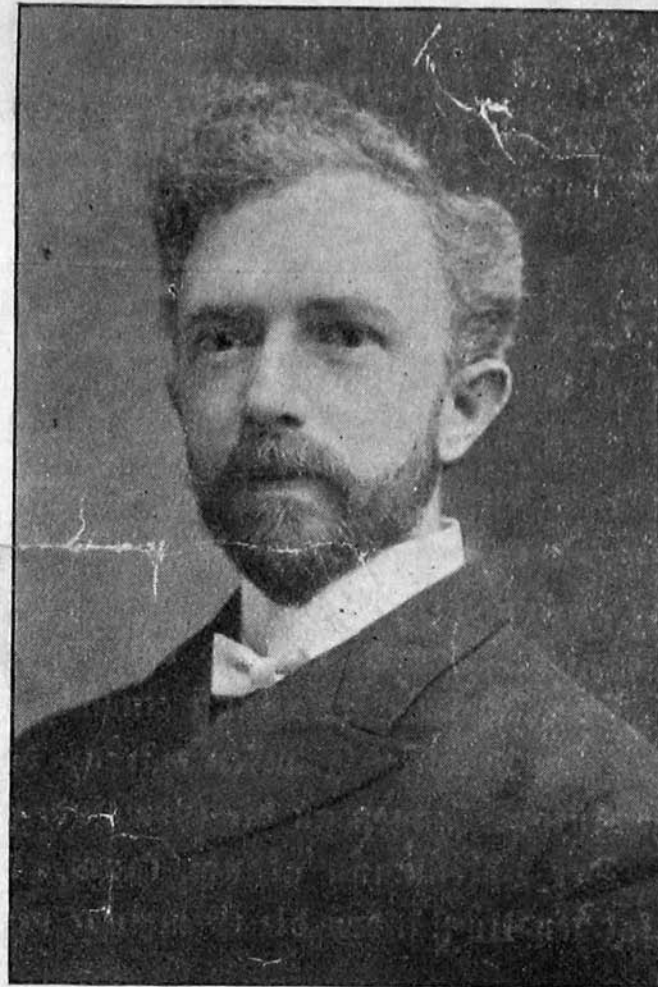
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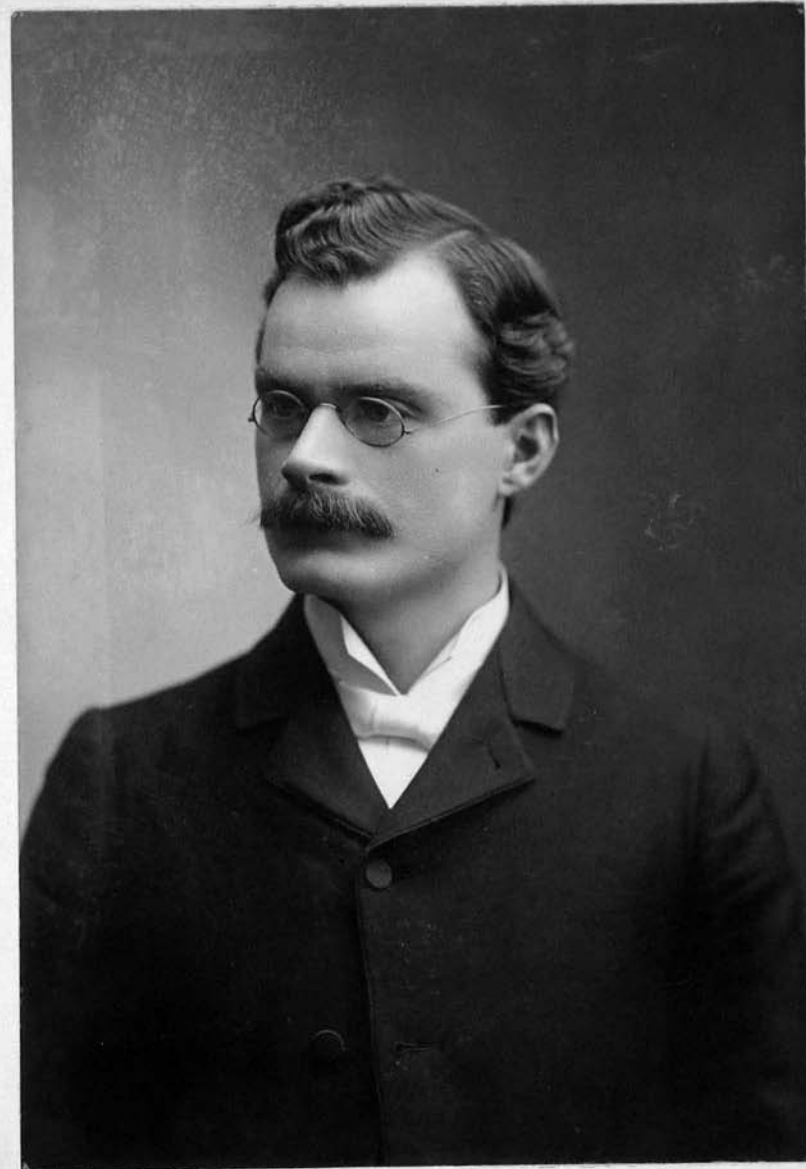


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*Christmas Greetings of the Pastor to You*

I wish you much of Christmas cheer through all the year.  
I wish you all the joy it would be safe for you to have. I wish  
you just enough of sorrow to bedew the heart with needful  
tears, that sympathy and charity may blossom and bear.

I wish you some true friends and fellowship with my Great  
Friend, the world's Saviour, whose birth we celebrate this week.  
I wish you just enough enemies to whet the edge of life.

In truth, I wish you a hopeful, helpful, faithful life. May you  
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of love, for every day in all the year.

Faithfully,

PASTOR STAVE

1914-1922



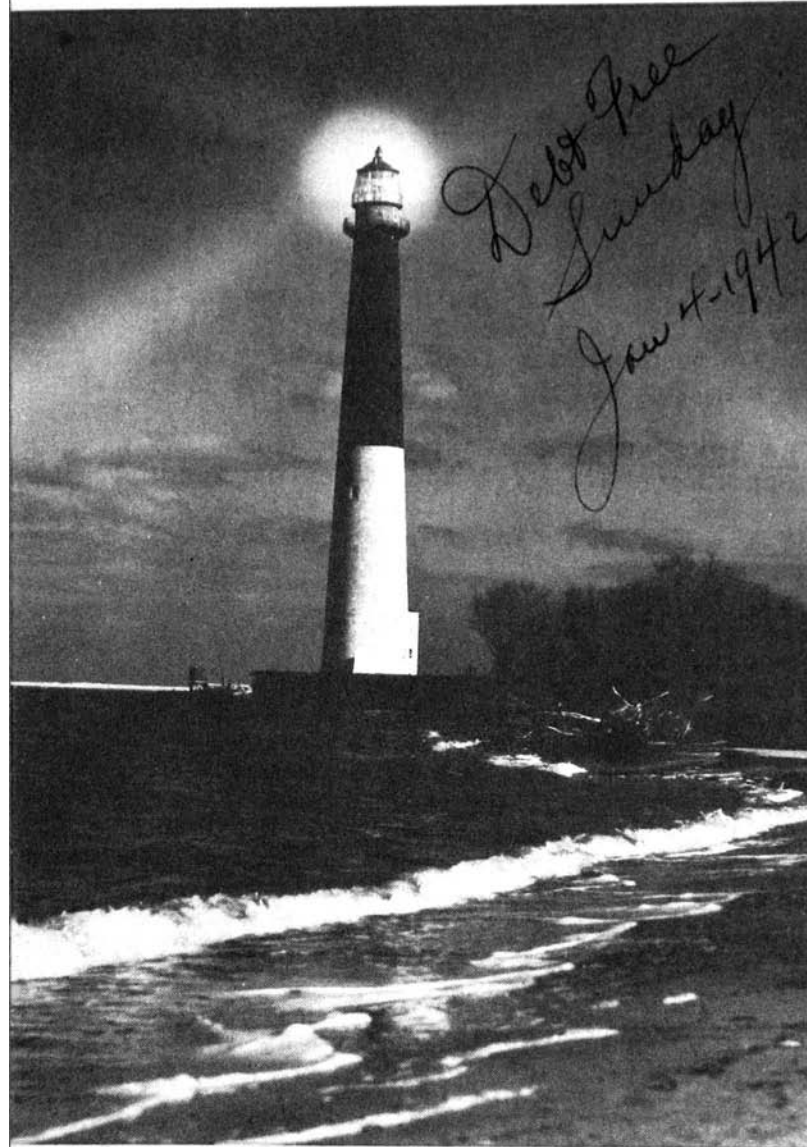
# *St. Paul's Reformed Slates Northside Union Vespers*

Northside Union Vesper services will be conducted tomorrow at 7:30 p. m. on the lawn of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed, Jewel at Norton.

The Rev. Oscar Brownback, pastor of Summerville Presbyterian, will speak on "The Prayer of Forgiveness." Evening prayer will be offered by the Rev. J. H. F. Boese of New York City, district superintendent of the Methodist Church, eastern district. The Rev. Elmer Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, will assist.

Soloist will be Mrs. Paul Wichman of Summerville Presbyterian. Emanuel Methodist Choir will sing. Sponsoring the rites are United Congregational, Seneca Methodist, Church of the Ascension, Summerville Presbyterian and Emanuel Methodist.





Send a Gleam Across the Way  
ST PAUL EVANGELICAL & REFORMED CHURCH  
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK



First Sunday in the New Year  
Jan. 4, 1942 10:30 O'clock

PRELUDE - "Overture from Messiah" -- Handel  
Chimes Harold Steen, Organist  
Call to Worship: (38) Choir  
"Father, again in Jesus' name we meet,  
And bow in penitence beneath Thy feet;  
Again to Thee our feeble voices raise,  
To sue for mercy, and to sing Thy praise."  
AMEN.

The Invocation and "Apostles' Creed"  
Response: "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"  
(134, 1 verse)

HYMN - No. 404 "Father, Let Me Dedicate"

Call to PRAYER

Pastor: "The Lord be with you.

People: And with Thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: The Lord's name be praised,

People: Both, now and forevermore."

The PRAYER....Silent Petitions

....Hymn Response: (440)

"O Thou who hearest every heartfelt prayer,  
With Thy rich grace, Lord, all our hearts  
prepare; Thou art our Life, Thou art our  
Love and Light. O let this Sabbath hour with  
Thee be bright." AMEN.

The Reading of SCRIPTURE: St Matthew 2:13-23  
....Choral "AMEN"

Children's Sermonette

The ANTHEM - "Praise Ye the Father" - Gounod  
In Memoriam (J.A. Casad, directing)

The Fellowship of Giving

The OFFERTORY - "Pastorale" Lemare

HYMN - No. 403 "At Thy Feet, Our God & Father"  
(Children's Recessional)

Silent Meditation-and-Reading of the Text:  
Psalm 23:1

The SERMON: "The Lord, our Shepherd"  
Pastor Elmer H. Hoefer

...Prayer and Lord's Prayer

The Notices

The Burning of the Church Mortgage:

- a. Hymn 415 "Come, O Thou God of Grace"
- b. Burning of the Mortgage before the Altar.  
(Henry Hieb, Treas. John Baries, Pres.)
- c. Prayer of Rededication

The Benediction - The Doxology - Postlude

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The NOTICES

1. To Each and All, St Paul's Church, entering it's 80th year, extends cordial wishes for a blessed New Year. Through the cooperation of all members in the fulfillment of the Christian duties, this can be an outstanding year of achievement.

2. Debt-Free! Victory! From a debt exceeding \$50,000 fifteen year ago, our church and parsonage are now the debt-free property of the congregation. Our thanks go to Mr and Mrs Harry Merritt for initiating this campaign with a gift of \$1000. The congregation has given an additional \$3001.00, with some pledges still to be paid. The surplus will be put into a contingent fund for heating-system renovations. Today we burn the mortgage that was placed upon this church when it was built in 1923. It is a New Year not soon to be forgotten. St Paul's is grateful to all who have made this possible.

3. The Symposium will omit its social meeting scheduled for Jan. 10. Next meeting Jan. 25.



4. In Memoriam:  
Little Linda Marie Graf, 175 Ave E, one and a half years old, was suddenly taken from this life, after a joyous Christmas celebration with her family. To her parents, and brothers Henry and William, members of the confirmation class, goes our deepest sympathy.
5. Wedding Bells: At 7 p.m. Dec. 30, Private Gordon Hayes and Mary Fingler pledged their troth before the altar.  
...At 4 p.m. Jan. 3, Gardner Westcott and Elsie Kulp were united in marriage in a church service.  
TO both these young couples, our good wishes.
6. 6 p.m. TONIGHT: Young Peoples League Supper followed by a candle-light service prepared by Student-Minister Jo. Benke. Attend, and start the New Year right with the youth fellowship of your church.
7. Monday: 8 p.m. Churchmen's Brotherhood for all St Paul Men. Installation of officers. Bring unusual art or handicraft objects for the Hobby Exhibit.
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9. Tuesday: 7:30 Youth League.
10. Wednesday: 7:30 Choir Rehearsal. (Our appreciation for the splendid music of the past year, and especially during the Xmas Season.)
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12. Saturday: 9 a.m. Confirmation Class.
13. Coming Events: Jan. 19. S.S. Staff Supper  
Jan. 21. Congregational Meeting  
Jan. 26: Heidelberg College Choir Concert.  
(Sponsors who will give \$1 to underwrite this concert will see Mr. Casad, or Pastor.)



## St. Paul's Aims To Slash Debt

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Using the slogan, "Debt-Free by 1942," the church has placed 28 candles on the altar. As hundred dollar subscriptions are received by Building Fund Treasurer Henry Hieb, the candles are lighted.

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For 60 years the congregation worshipped in its sanctuary on Fitzhugh Street. In 1922 the building was sold to the Rochester Trades Council and is still known and used as Carpenters' Hall. The new sanctuary was built on the corner of Norton and Jewel streets, after a chapel had been used first on the corner of St. Paul and Northview Terrace, and later on the site of the present church.

Dedication services were held in June 1923 by the Rev. Herman E. Koenig, then pastor of St. Paul's. Evangelical and Reformed Church Pastor Koenig, now serving Salem in Chicago, Ill., will be the guest speaker at the anniversary services on Sunday, October 4.

On Thursday evening, October 8th, the anniversary banquet will be served in the parish hall basement, with Mr. John Bareis, president of the Church Council as toastmaster. Among the anniversary gifts received thus far by the congregation, are, new carpeting of the church sanctuary by the Women's Altar Guild; a new pulpit Bible by the William Donish Family; A Perpetual Membership for Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kern placed by their daughters; new hymnals by various members of the church.

An anniversary offering goal of \$880 for the Endowment Fund has been set. A class of new members (Continued on Page 4)

is being enlisted, and will be received into the church fellowship on Anniversary Sunday.

St. Paul's undertook, and completed successfully, a Debt-Free campaign at the beginning of the anniversary year, and thus completes its 80th year of service without any mortgaged indebtedness. Once before in the history of the church, in 1901, was the church entirely free of debt.

The present pastor, the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefler, began his ministry in St. Paul's in 1929. During the intervening 13 years more than 600 members have been added to the church by transfer, confirmation and confession of faith. For the past twelve years the church has been able to pay its mission appropriation for the denominational work in full, ranking with the first ten churches of the West New York Synod in this regard.

Among organizations active in the service of St. Paul's are: The Women's Altar Guild, Mrs. Clarence Brown, President; The Churchmen's Brotherhood, Mr. Herbert Krase, President; The Young People's Fellowship, Edna Lemon, President; The Symposium, George Haupt, President; The Sunday School, Edward Uehlin, Superintendent; The Board of Deaconesses, Mrs. Clem Kummer, chairman; St. Paul's Choir, J. Alfred Casad, director, and Harold Steen organist; Three Guilds of Daughters of St. Paul's: The Old Timers Club, Frederick Reuschle, Patriarch; The Sewing Guild for War Relief, Mrs. Fred Reuschle, chairman.

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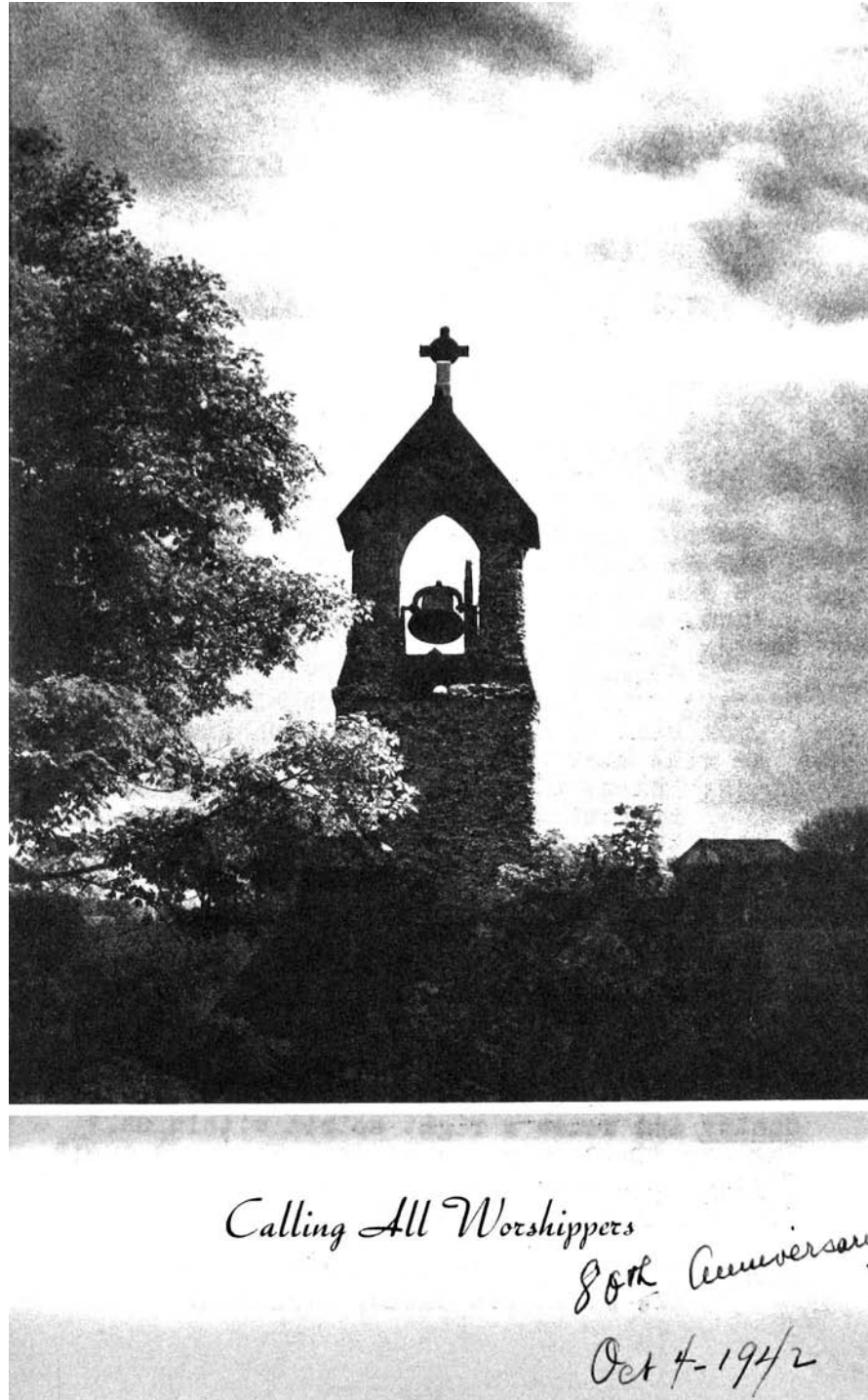
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Sunday after Xmas.  
Jan 4-1942.

Mr. John Bareis - Pres.  
Henry Diet - Bk. & Treas.  
George Reuschle - chm. Bk.  
Adolph K. Smith - committee  
1922







Eightieth Anniversary Service  
of  
(1862) St. Paul's Church (1942)  
(Evangelical & Reformed)  
Rochester, N. Y.  
XVIII Sunday after Trinity  
October 4, 1942 10:30 A.M.

Organ Prelude - "Toccata" - Widor

\*Chimes Harold Steen, Organist

\*Call to Worship: Pastor E.H. Hoefer

Pastor: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." "AMEN" (483)

"Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He shall dwell with them, and they shall be His people and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God."

Choir: "Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
Blessed art Thou, O Lord."

Pastor: "The Lord is nigh unto all that call upon Him; to all that call upon Him in truth. He will hear their prayer, and save them."

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\*The Collect and the "Apostles' Creed"

HYMN - No. 4 "Now Thank We All Our God"

\*The Call to Prayer:

Pastor: "The Lord be with you."

Choir: "And with thy spirit."

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Choir: And renew a right spirit within us."

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\*The PRAYER.....Silent Petitions

Choral Response (501)

ANTHEM - "The Lord Is My Light" - Spence

Mr. J. Alfred Casad, directing



The Scripture Lesson: Psalm 95

Choral Response "Hallelujah" (496)

The Children's Sermonette: "The Buck that  
Wanted to be alone"

The ANTHEM - "The God of Abraham Praise" -  
Shelley

In Memoriam

The Anniversary Offering

Offertory Call (507) - The Choir  
"Bless Thou the gifts our hands have brought;  
Bless Thou the work our hearts have planned;  
Our's is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God, is in Thy hand." AMEN.  
OFFERTORY - "A Shepherd's Idyll" - Geibel

HYMN - No. 298 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"  
(Children's Recessional)

\*Meditation: Text:

The SERMON: "To God Alone be the Glory"  
Rev. Herman E. Koenig

The Notices

Reception of New Members

Communion HYMN - No. 319 "Come, Let Us Join  
with Faithful Souls"

The World Fellowship of Holy Communion

\*The Benediction - "Three-fold Amen"

Silent Prayer

Postlude (\* People Rise)

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The NOTICES

1. In Memoriam: Mrs Rose Kern, 81 Durnan St.  
was laid to rest on Friday afternoon, in  
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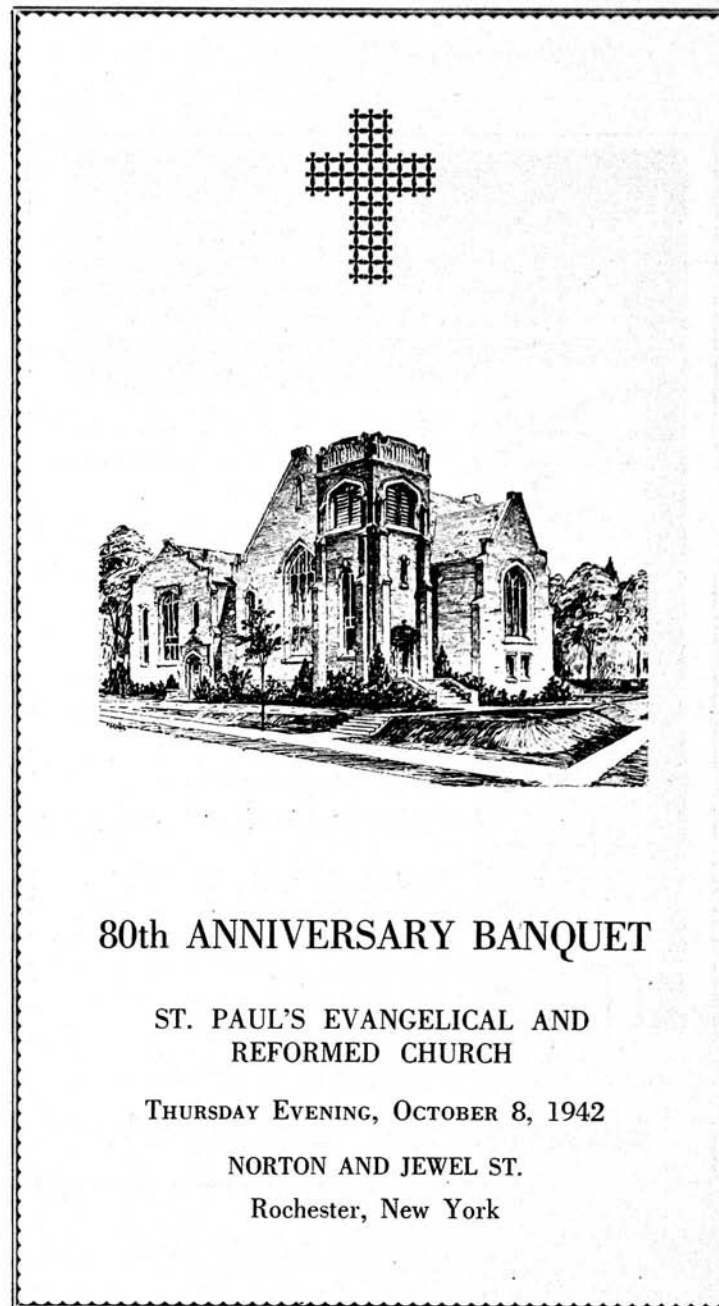
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Tune - Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus - Webb

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Rise up and shout her praises,  
Our pride let us display;  
Thru struggle after struggle,  
She fought triumphantly  
'Til every debt has vanished,  
Her future now is free.
2. Stand up in silent memory  
Of martyrs of her past,  
Who gave their all, their sweat and blood,  
And died that she might last.  
Their toil is not forgotten,  
Their deeds were not in vain,  
For she has been victorious,  
Thru her they live again.
3. Rise up and toast her future,  
Pray that her life be long,  
That coming generations  
Will fight to keep her strong.  
The Church is our foundation,  
We shall not let her fall,  
Rise up and pledge allegiance  
To her, our old St. Paul's.

CHORUS

Rise up, O people, salute her one and all,  
She'll be your friend until the end,  
So sing loud, yes, sing for old St. Paul's.

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## PROGRAM

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- INVOCATION ..... Pastor Elmer H. Hoefer
- INTRODUCTION OF TOASTMASTER ..... John Bareis, Pres. of  
Church Council
- GROUP SINGING ..... J. Alfred Casad  
Harold Steen, *Pianist*
- SELECTIONS ON THE HAWAIIAN GUITAR ..... Audrey Schultz
- INTRODUCTION OF PAST-PRESIDENTS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL  
William W. Walch, 1915-18; 1924-28  
Adolph Fauth, 1919-23  
Albert Meili, Sr., 1928-29; 1935
- VOCAL SOLO—"This is Worth Fighting For" ..... Alice Groth
- THE OLD TIMERS CLUB  
"Memories" ..... Fred Reuschle, Patriarch  
"Costumes of Yester-Year" ..... Old Timers  
Mrs. George Hoffman, Chairman  
"As We Were" ..... Photo Exhibit, Old Timers  
Miss Emma Pagels, Chairman  
"Eighty-Years Young" ..... Original Poem  
Herbert Krase
- DUET—"Sympathy" ..... Alice Groth and Sylvia Gordon
- ANNIVERSARY ADDRESS ..... *40 Minute "Black Out!"*  
"By Reason of Strength—Four-Score Years" *no song set!*  
Rev. Frederick H. Diehm, D. D., Emanuel Church
- "MOVIES OF YESTER-YEAR" ..... William Lohler, Albert Meili, Jr.
- "AMERICA" ..... The Banqueters All



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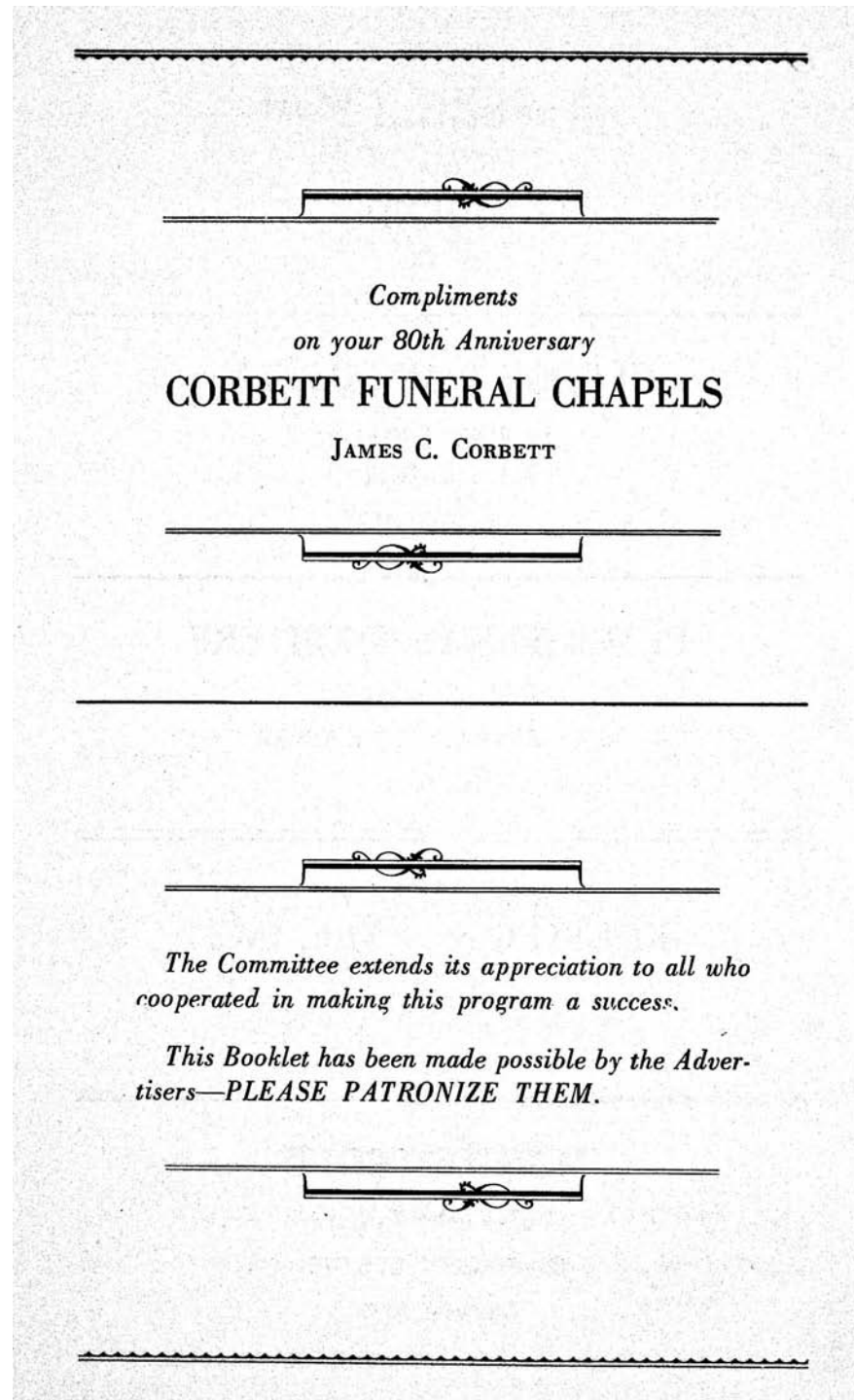
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Eightieth Anniversary Service

(1862) St. Paul's Church (1942)  
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XVIII Sunday after Trinity  
October 4, 1942 10:30 A.M.

Organ Prelude - "Toccata" - Widor  
\*Chimes Harold Steen, Organist

\*Call to Worship: Pastor E.H. Hoefer  
Pastor: "In the name of the Father, and of the  
Son, and of the Holy Spirit." "AMEN" (483)

"Behold the tabernacle of God is with men,  
and He shall dwell with them, and they shall  
be His people and God Himself shall be with  
them, and be their God."

Choir: "Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
Blessed art Thou, O Lord."

Pastor: "The Lord is high unto all that call  
upon Him; to all that call upon Him in truth.  
He will hear their prayer, and save them."

Choir: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that  
is with me bless His Holy Name. Bless  
the Lord, O my soul."

\*The Collect and the "Apostles' Creed"

HYMN - No. 4 "Now Thank We All Our God"

\*The Call to Prayer:

Pastor: "The Lord be with you."

Choir: "And with thy spirit."

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\*The PRAYER.....Silent Petitions

Choral Response (501)

ANTHEM - "The Lord Is My Light" - Speaks  
Mr. J. Alfred Casad, directing

The Scripture Lesson: Psalm 95

Choral Response "Hallelujah" (496)

The Children's Sermonette: "The Buck that  
Wanted to be alone"

The ANTHEM - "The God of Abraham Praise" -  
Shelley

In Memoriam

The Anniversary Offering

Offertory Call (507) - The Choir

"Bless Thou the gifts our hands have brought;  
Bless Thou the work our hearts have planned;  
Our's is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God, is in Thy hand." AMEN.

OFFERTORY - "A Shepherd's Idyll" - Geibel

HYMN - No. 298 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"  
(Children's Recessional)

\*Meditation: Text:

The SERMON: "To God Alone be the Glory"  
Rev. Herman E. Koenig

The Notices

Reception of New Members

Communion HYMN - No. 319 "Come, Let Us Join  
with Faithful Souls"

The World Fellowship of Holy Communion

\*The Benediction - "Three-fold Amen"

Silent Prayer

Postlude (\* People Rise)

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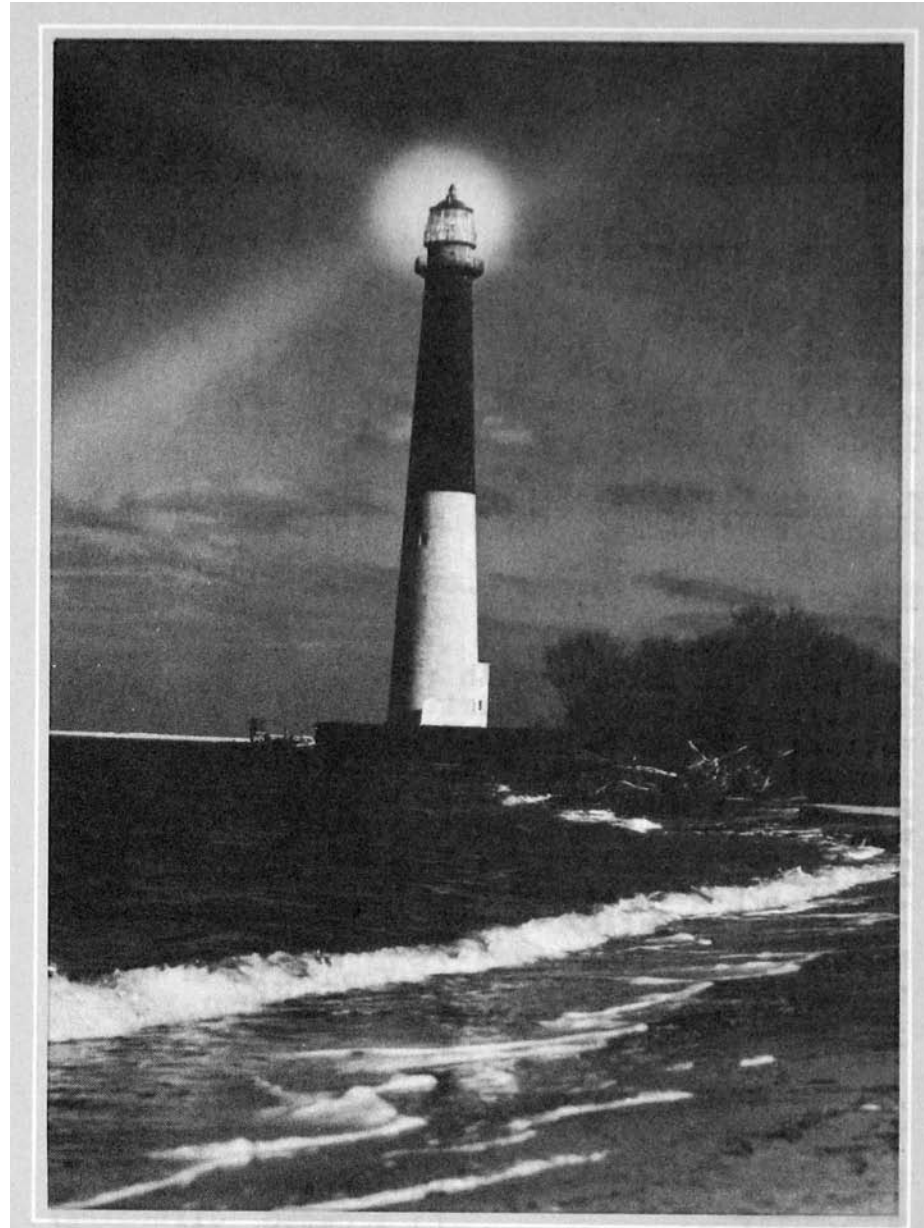
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First Sunday in the New Year

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PRELUDE - "Overture from Messiah" -- HandelChimes Harold Steen, OrganistCall to Worship: (38) Choir

"Father, again in Jesus' name we meet,  
And bow in penitence beneath Thy feet;  
Again to Thee our feeble voices raise,  
To sue for mercy, and to sing Thy praise."

AMEN.

The Invocation and "Apostles' Creed"

Response: "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"  
(134, 1 verse)

HYMN - No. 404 "Father, Let Me Dedicate"Call to PRAYER

Pastor: "The Lord be with you.

People: And with Thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: The Lord's name be praised.

People: Both, now and forevermore."

The PRAYER.... Silent Petitions

....Hymn Response: (440)

"O Thou who hearest every heartfelt prayer,  
With Thy rich grace, Lord, all our hearts  
prepare; Thou art our Life, Thou art our  
Love and Light. O let this Sabbath hour with  
Thee be bright." AMEN.

The Reading of SCRIPTURE: St Matthew 2:13-23

....Choral "AMEN"

Children's SermonetteThe ANTHEM - "Praise Ye the Father" - GounodIn Memoriam (J. A. Casad, directing)The Fellowship of GivingThe OFFERTORY - "Pastorale" LemareHYMN - No. 403 "At Thy Feet, Our God & Father"

(Children's Recessional)

Silent Meditation-and-Reading of the Text:

Psalm 23:1

The SERMON: "The Lord, our Shepherd"

Pastor Elmer H. Hoefer

...Prayer and Lord's Prayer

The NoticesThe Burning of the Church Mortgage:

a. Hymn 415 "Come, O Thou God of Grace"

b. Burning of the Mortgage before the Altar.  
(Henry Hieb, Treas. John Baries, Pres.)

c. Prayer of Rededication

The Benediction - The Doxology - PostludeThe NOTICES

1. To Each and All, St Paul's Church, entering it's 80th year, extends cordial wishes for a blessed New Year. Through the cooperation of all members in the fulfillment of the Christian duties, this can be an outstanding year of achievement.
2. Debt-Free! Victory! From a debt exceeding \$50,000 fifteen year ago, our church and parsonage are now the debt-free property of the congregation. Our thanks go to Mr and Mrs Harry Merritt for initiating this campaign with a gift of \$1000. The congregation has given an additional \$3001.00, with some pledges still to be paid. The surplus will be put into a contingent fund for heating-system renovations. Today we burn the mortgage that was placed upon this church when it was built in 1923. It is a New Year not soon to be forgotten. St Paul's is grateful to all who have made this possible.
3. The Symposium will omit its social meeting scheduled for Jan. 10. Next meeting Jan. 25.



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## The Order of Service

Rev. Harold E. Nicely ..... Presiding  
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 Charles H. Sharp ..... At the Organ

### Organ Preludes

**A Hymn** "The Spacious Firmament on High" No. 42  
 Written in 1712 by Joseph Addison and set to the tune "Creation"  
 adapted from Franz Joseph Haydn, 1798

**The Call to Worship** Doctor Nicely

**The Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Doctor Nicely

**Congregational Hymns** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" No. 249  
 Words and Music (Ein Feste Burg) by Martin Luther, 1529

"Day Is Dying in the West" No. 24  
 Written by Mary A. Lathbury and set to the tune "Chautauqua"  
 composed by William F. Sherwin in 1877

**The Scripture**, responsively, for Advent No. 32

**Hymn-Anthems** "Christian Dost Thou See Them?" No. 335  
 A Greek Hymn of the VII Century, set to the tune "St. Andrew of Crete"  
 by John B. Dykes, 1868

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" No. 191  
 Written by Horatius Bonar, 1846, and set to the tune "Vox Dilecti"  
 by John B. Dykes, 1868

"Watchman Tell Us of the Night" (Advent Hymn) No. 108  
 Written by John Bowring, 1825, and set to the tune "Watchman"  
 by Lowell Mason, 1830

**The Pastoral Prayer with Choral Amen** Rev. Charles Bollinger

### Offertory

**Request Hymns** Selected

### A Prayer for an Hour Like This (The People Seated)

Doctor Nicely

Dedicated to the men and women of our nation who are now in our country's  
 service around the world

Almighty Father, God of Strength and Lord of Mercy, we do pray Thee for our loved ones now called into the service of the country. They walk the paths of danger. They sail the seas of uncertainty. They fly where wrath is like lightning. They are Thine. Keep them, O God, and bring them to us again, whole of body, clean of mind, ready of will and spirit. Above all, may they be kept in such faith and trust that they shall have the spirit of devotion to high tasks, readiness to keep themselves unspotted and their trust in Thee undefiled. Protect by Thy love and care those whom we love, the possessors of our dreams and hopes, through Christ whom Thou didst send to save. Amen.

### Response by the Choirs

Father, O hear us while we humbly pray	Keep them from harm amidst the battle's
For all our loved ones, who have gone	din.
away	Bless with Thy presence; be a light within.
To fill the place that they have seen as	Banish their fears, and make each one
right—	aware
Gone in the darkness of the warring night.	Of Thy great love and Thy protecting care.

Written in 1943 by Jackson Wilcox, Pastor of Williamson Baptist Church

### The Affirmation of Our Faith (The People Standing) Rev. Hugh Chamberlin Burr

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true Church, Apostolic and Universal, whose Holy Faith let us now reverently and sincerely declare:

Leader and People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all His works, and whose will is ever directed to His children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the Divine Presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the Kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

### Our National Anthem "The Star Spangled Banner"

Written by Francis Scott Key, 1814, and set to music written  
 by John E. Smith, 1775

O thus be it ever when free men shall stand  
 Between their loved homes and the war's desolation;  
 Blest with victory and peace, may the Heaven-rescued land  
 Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.  
 Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,  
 And this be our motto, "In God is our trust;"  
 And the Star-spangled Banner in triumph shall wave  
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.



**A Prayer Hymn** "God of Our Fathers" No. 393  
 Written by Daniel C. Roberts, 1876, and set to "National Hymn"  
 written by George W. Warren, 1892

**A Hymn of Faith** "Jesus Shall Reign" No. 411  
 Written by Isaac Watts, 1719, and set to music written by  
 John Hatton before 1793

**Benediction** Doctor Nicely

**Response by the Congregation**

Give us again the peaceful ways of life.  
 May the end come to this unholy strife.  
 In Christ's dear name, we pray that wars may cease,  
 And with our loved ones we may live in peace. Amen.

Jackson Wilcox

**Postlude**

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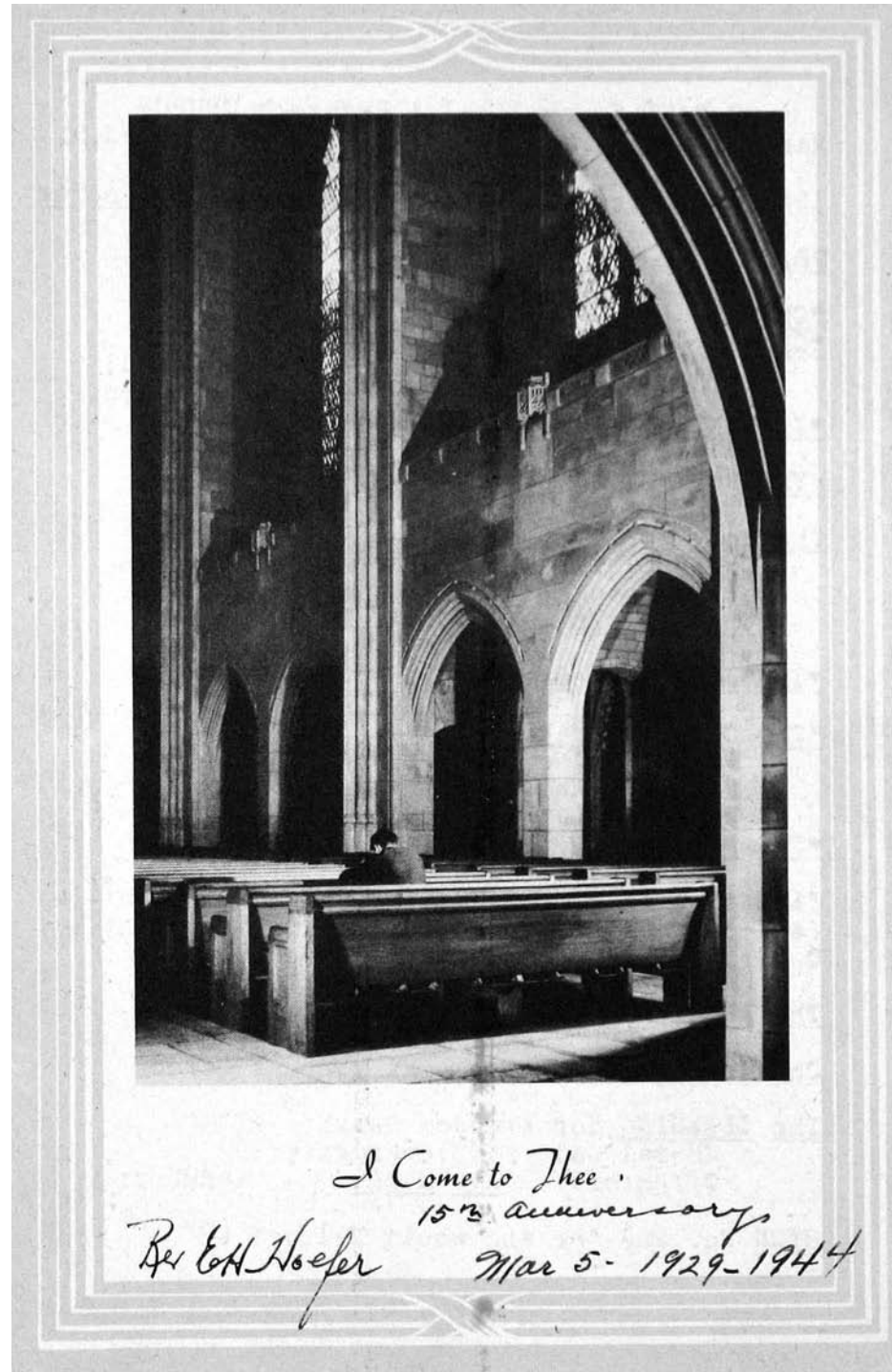
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ST PAUL Evangelical & Reformed CHURCH  
 March 5, 1944 - REMINISCERE - 10:30 A.M.  
Second Sunday in Lent  
15th Anniversary of the Pastorate of Rev Hoefer

PRELUDE - "The Lost Chord" - Sullivan  
 Mr Harold Steen, Organist

\*Chimes

\*Choral CALL TO WORSHIP - (484)

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found,  
 Call ye upon Him while He is near. Amen.

\*The INTROIT and COLLECT

HYMN No. 72 "Now Thank we all our God"

The Holy Scriptures

The Psalm: Psalm 84

Response: "Hallelujah" (496)

The Gospel: Luke 10: 17-24

\*The Apostles' Creed

\*The Call to Prayer

Pastor: "The Lord be with you".

People: "And with thy spirit"

Pastor: "Let us pray".

\*THE PRAYER ..... Silent Petitions  
 Prayer Response (502)

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer".

The ANTHEM - "The Lord's Prayer" - Duncan

Mr Lawrence Fink, Director

Children's Sermonette - Mr Vincent Sprock

*You are an Apostle - New before Easter*  
The OFFERING for Kingdom Service  
 Choral Call to Stewardship  
 Offertory - "Ave Maria" Schubert

HYMN No. 296 "He who would Valiant be"

Meditation and \*Text - I Samuel 7:12  
SERMON "Hitherto Hath the Lord Helped"  
 Pastor Elmer Henry Hoefer

HYMN No. 362 "God of Years, Thy Love Hath Led us"

Address - Mr Albert Meili, Sr - President of Church Council in 1929

The Notices

\*The Benediction

\*The Doxology

The Postlude

The Notices

1. Flowers on the Altar this morning are in honor of Pastor Hoefer.

2. Sincerest gratitude to you all, who by your presence to-day, help recall the blessings of God upon our church through the fifteen years of the ministry of the Pastor. Some of you are observing the 15th anniversary of your baptism, or your confirmation, or your marriage. Others mark in 1944 their 15th year of membership in St Paul's Church. The Pastor deeply appreciates your celebrating this anniversary with him. On Wednesday evening, following the Lenten Services, we shall have opportunity, in a social hour, to exchange felicitations personally.

3. To-Night - 7:30 - E & R Youth Federation will meet in St Paul's. Our young people to act as hosts. Be present early to greet our friends from other churches.

4. Monday: - 8 P.M. Churchmen's Brotherhood, Rehearsal of Men's Lenten Chorus. Farewell to ex-president Roger Catlin who joins the Navy.

5. Birthday Greetings to Miss Matilda Eckert.



6. Wednesday 2 P.M. St Paul women will meet at St. John's Home (1262 South Ave) for their annual "Good-Cheer Visitation".

7:45 - Lenten Worship-"The Voice of Jesus".

9 - Social Hour in the lower auditorium.

7. Thursday 10:30 A.M. American Friends Sewing group will meet at the church.

8. Wed-Thurs-Fri--Noons: 12:10-12:50, Lenten Noon-Day Services in the Baptist Temple. Pastor Hoefer will speak on Friday.

9. Have you thought of (1) a Perpetual Membership for some loved one? (2) giving a Black Altar Hanging (the last one needed for our set)? (3) a new palm?...Then speak up soon, if we are to dedicate the same by Easter.

10. Easter Greetings to our Service-Men should be mailed soon. The latest list of names and addresses may be found in the Tower Vestibule. Won't you take a name or two for Your Easter letter?

11. "The Crusade for Christ" is a national church effort to enroll members in the Church. Our Annual Report Book has a form on the last page, which you are asked to use to recommend some friend or neighbor for our church fellowship. The Pastor is meeting prospective members Wednesday evenings after the Lenten Services. Let us each and all feel a sense of responsibility for the continuing growth of the Church. Act now, in order that we may have a sizeable class to present on Easter Sunday.

12. Our Sick-List in the Tower Vestibule has many names on it. Remember these friends in your prayers, and put them on your correspondence list. Nothing so breaks the monotony of pain and loneliness, as a word from a friend.



Rochester, NY



## Cakes Cut at Two 25th Anniversary Fetes



*Birthday cakes held the center of attention at two dinners last night. Twenty-fifth anniversary of the New York State Association of Life Underwriters was marked at a dinner in the Seneca (left). Shown with the cake are (left to right): Julian A. Myrick, New York; J. Stinson Scott, Rochester, new president of the group, and Edward R. Gettings, Albany, past president. Twenty-*

*fifth anniversary banquet of the Federation of Churches of Rochester and Vicinity (right) was held at the Chamber of Commerce. Rosalyn Hoefer (left), lights a candle as Dean Thomas Wearing (center) and William MacFarlane (right) look on. Twenty-five candles on the cake were lighted by Rosalyn. The candles represent a "birthday offering" of \$2,500 from members.*



## Pastor Marks 15th Milestone

The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, will celebrate the 15th anniversary of his pastorate, tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

Coming to Rochester from his first pastorate in Papineau, Ill., Pastor Hoefer has served St. Paul's since 1929.

Since he has been pastor of the Rochester church, an indebtedness of \$52,000 has been lifted; the manse on Navarre Road has been purchased; payment in full of the missionary and benevolent apportionment has been realized, with an increase of 50 per cent in pledges over the last 10 years.

Speakers will include Albert Meili Sr., who was president of the Church Council in 1929, and Herbert Krase.

## Pastor to Mark 15th Anniversary

Members of St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church will honor their pastor, the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, at the services tomorrow on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the beginning of his present pastorate. When he came here in 1929, Mr. Hoefer found a church debt of \$52,000, which has been paid; a manse has been purchased, and the missionary and benevolent quotas not only have been paid, but the amounts have been increased.

*Need of Human Instrumentality*  
**EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED**  
Christ, Portland at Jackson; Rev. B. J. Tepas—9:30, SS; 10:45, "Will Ye Also Go Away?"  
Emanuel, Hamilton at Bond; Rev. F. H. Diehm, D. D.—9:30, CS; 10:30, "Jesus' Direction of Prayer."  
St. Paul, Jewel at Norton; Rev. E. H. Hoefer—9:15, SS and BC; 10:30, "The Years Roll On," pastor's 15th anniversary; 7:30, E&R Youth Federation.  
Salem, Franklin near St. Paul; Rev. P. M. Schroeder, D. D.—9:30, CS; 9:30, German worship, Rev. W. E. Schmitt; 10:30, English worship, "The Marks of a Christian," Rev. Oscar C. Nussmann.  
Trinity, Child at Wilder; Rev. C. G. Haass—9:45, SS; 10:50, "Hearing."





#### FIRST OF 25

The Rev. Hugh Chamberlin Burr, D.D., executive secretary of Federation of Churches, left, accepts first candle marking \$100 gift for Federation's 25th anniversary from the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, center, as Rudolph D. Kolb, treasurer of benevolences for the Church Federation, looks on at right.

## \$100 Candles Will Light Church Federation Jubilee

Birthday offering from St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church yesterday bought the first \$100 candle which will grace the huge cake at the 25th anniversary dinner of the Federation of Churches of Rochester and Vicinity at 6:30 p. m.

Thursday in the Chamber of Commerce.

Ten thousand church men and women are expected to contribute pennies to buy candles for the cake—one penny for each year of the Federation's existence—according to Dr. Hugh Chamberlain Burr, executive secretary of the organization. Privilege of lighting the tapers will go to 7-year-old Rosalyn Hoefer, daughter of the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Church.

Goal of the anniversary committee is 25 candles for the cake, each representing \$100 in contributions, and a 26th candle for all additional donations. William MacFarlane, chairman of the committee, will announce the names of churches giving toward each candle. Representatives from 150 member churches, as well as the public, have been invited to attend.

Dr. Robert Wycoff Searle, general secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches, will be main speaker at the dinner. Dr. Searle has spent the last six months touring service bases to conduct interfaith meeting in conjunction with a priest and a rabbi. He has held his Federation of Churches post 10 years.





*Mrs William Lohler - 94 Corova Rd  
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## *Churches Offer Services For Nazi War Prisoners*

Catholic and Protestant services will be conducted for German prisoners of war stationed in the Cobb's Hill stockade tomorrow morning.

At 7:10 a. m. a member of the Blessed Sacrament clergy will celebrate Mass for Catholics in the group.

### **Sermon in German**

At 8:30 a. m. the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, will conduct rites in the German language. A census among the prisoners showed that Protestants were predominantly Evangelical, the state church of Prussia.

The Rev. Mr. Hoefer said he planned to emphasize in his German sermon to the captives the fact that people are "never truly prisoners if their minds and hearts are free. If there is a background of cultural heritage and Christian faith, there is no prison for the soul."

He said he would urge them not to worry about their present plight because it is one of the necessities of war.

### **German Hymns Slated**

Singing of German hymns also will be led by the Rev. Mr. Hoefer.

When Italian prisoners were at the Cobb's Hill center, priests in the Rochester Catholic Diocese conducted Masses for them regularly.

The German prisoners are aiding in canneries and in agricultural districts. Others are in Genesee, Ontario, Wayne and Cayuga counties.



## *Milestones in the Church*



Two Rochester clergymen observed anniversaries yesterday. The Rev. Frederick H. Diehm (top left) ended 20 years of service at Emanuel Evangelical and Reformed Church. He departs for a new pastorate in Cleveland Tuesday. Heading a line of well-wishers is Albert Bowerman, the church's minister of music. Bishop Bartel H. Diekhoff.



## *Emanuel's Pastor To Close Service*

With his sermon tomorrow morning the Rev. Frederick H. Diehm, D. D., pastor of Emanuel Evangelical and Reformed Church for the last 20 years, will close his pastorate there. He will leave for Cleveland Tuesday, according to his announced plans.

For the present, said Dr. Diehm, the pulpit of Emanuel Church will be occupied by Prof. Fred H. Willkens of Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, but it is expected that the Rev. Oscar C. Nussmann, assistant pastor at Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church will assume the pastorate of Emanuel Church May 1. It is understood that Dr. Diehm wishes to retire from active ministerial work, but may assist as a supply minister occasionally.



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## GI V-Mails His 'Thanks' for Civic Orchestra Music

From somewhere in Europe, Pvt. Frank Vogel of Rochester has written Conductor Guy Fraser Harrison of the Civic Orchestra how much he enjoyed a shortwave broadcast of music by the Civic Orchestra.

Recently Harrison, at the request of General Eisenhower, made several recordings with the orchestra, and these were shipped to Europe by the OWI and broadcast for the special benefit of servicemen from this area.

Private Vogel, former pupil at Benjamin Franklin High School, in his V-mail letter, said:

"My dear Mr. Harrison:

"You don't know who I am, but I thought I would write you and tell you how much I enjoyed that takeoff on 'Johnny Comes Marching Home' by Gould you played on an overseas home town broadcast. I just got through listening to it along with a lot of other wonderful memories of home.

"I was working for Karl Van Hoesen. (Ed. note: public school supervisor of instrumental music) for five years. I played in the Franklin High and Inter High bands and orchestras five years.

"You probably never noticed me back stage during your yearly concerts at Franklin High. I expect to enter the Eastman School when the war is over and go into public school instrumental music teaching like Mr. Van Hoesen. Thanks again for that nice memory of home."

### Rev. Mr. Hoefer Heads Synod

The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, was elected president of the Western New York Synod at the annual meeting in Tonawanda yesterday, according to Associated Press.

The meeting, which drafted a resolution opposing universal peacetime military conscription as "un-Christian and an indication of lack of confidence in international co-operation," also elected the following officers: the Rev. Paul Frank-enfeld of Buffalo, vicepresident, Raymond Christ, Buffalo, treasurer, and the Rev. Albert A. Meussling of Buffalo secretary.

### Tonawanda Meet Planned by Church Synod

The seventh annual Spring Conference of the Western New York Synod, Evangelical and Reformed Church, will convene in Salem Church, Tonawanda, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Pastors and one layman from each charge, comprised of 74 churches, will be delegates. The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church of Rochester and Synod president, will preside.

Among conference speakers are the Rev. John Lentz, vicepresident of the Evangelical and Reformed Church; the Rev. Harold Wilke, chaplain-at-large to military hospitals; the Rev. Huber Klemme, executive secretary of the Social Action Commission, and the Rev. Wilbur Clements, executive of the State Council of Churches. Reports will be heard from 24 standing committees.

Questions paramount in the discussion will be the proposed merger between Evangelical and Reformed and the Congregational-Christian communions, and the raising of an Emergency War Relief fund of \$1,200,000 throughout the denomination. The Rev. Oscar Nussman of Emmanuel Church, chairman of Kingdom Service, will report the highest record of missionary-giving in the history of the Synod.



# REPORT OF THE OVERSEAS RELIEF COLLECTION BY THE EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCHES

Salem, 81 cartons and boxes, Emanuel, 17 cartons and boxes, Trinity 28 cartons and boxes, St. Paul's, 23 cartons and boxes, Congregational of Churchville, 9 bags. Total 158 containers—a total of nearly five tons. (Note—Dewey Avenue Church and Christ Church also contributed food and clothing, which were included in the above total of cartons and boxes.)

## CONTENTS:

### 1 carton—Soap.

**316 packages of dry foods** — Rice, raisins, prunes, soup mix, beans, lard, corn meal, split peas, lentils, cocoa, macaroni, barley, cereal, tea, jello and pudding.

**1,373 cans of food**—Spinach, kraut, peas, beans, corn, carrots, canned meat, onions, cabbage, cherries, plums, peaches, pears, pineapple juice, corned beef hash, salmon, sardines, postum, soup, coffee, tomatoes, cranberry sauce, beets, milk, macaroni, syrup and canned sausage.

**Clothing:** 160 women's coats, 179 women's shoes, 1 women's cape, 5 women's shawls, 43 women's slips, 7 women's bathrobes, 67 women's sweaters, 420 women's dresses, 28 women's skirts, 3 women's jackets, 2 women's fur coats, 1 snow suit, 9 blouses, 2 children's bathrobes, 110 men's coats, 203 pairs men's socks, 37 men's vests, 4 caps, 68 men's shoes, 7 men's bathrobes, 28 men's suit coats, 10 men's shirts, 64 men's and boys' rubbers, 12 men's suits, 37 men's trousers, 7 men's sweaters, 2 men's gloves, 7 children's coats, 25 boys' sweaters, 6 boys' coats, 132 neckties, 45 hdchfs., 25 ladies wear, 4 wash cloths, 9 pillow cases, 2 napkins, 5 pair felt slippers, 13 ladies' pocket books, 17 children's shoes, 9 children's sneaks, 28 children's gloves, 1 nightgown, 3 sheets, 233 ladies and children's stockings, 783 pieces of children's and infants' wear, 36 woolen blankets, 5 quilts, 55 men's shirts, 3 bedspreads, 36 pairs pajamas, 8 brassieres, 97 scarfs, 30 boys' shirts, 101 men's and women's

underwear, 15 children's panties, 106 men's and women's hats, 107 children's sweaters and shirts, 1 large carton—rubbers and overshoes (number of pairs not shown), 1 large carton shoes and slippers (number of pairs not shown).

9 bags of clothing from the Congregational Church—contents not shown on this list.

Howard Stephany, Chairman,  
Mrs. J. Wright, Recorder.

## Pfc. Paul F. Schmidt

Pfc. Paul F. Schmidt, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schmidt, 211 Westfield, died Dec. 4 in Holland of wounds suffered while fighting in Germany Dec. 1, his parents have learned.



A former University of Rochester student, Pfc. Schmidt also studied at Virginia Polytechnic Institute under the Army Specialized Training Program. He entered the service June 1, 1943, and was sent overseas in September.

Besides his parents, he is survived by one sister, Miss Kathryn Schmidt of the Westfield address.

## SERVICES FOR SOLDIER

Memorial services for Pfc. Paul F. Schmidt of 211 Westfield St., will be held at 10:30 a. m. Sunday in St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Jewel and Norton streets. Private Schmidt, who went overseas last September, died in Holland on Dec. 4 of wounds suffered in action in Germany on Dec. 1.

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## Evangelical Pastor Resigns Post

The Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Norton near St. Paul, has resigned after 16 years of service to accept a pastorate at St. Peter's Church, St. Louis, Mo., it was announced today.

The congregation voted last night to accept, with regret, the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Hoefer, who has been active in many Rochester church activities.

Since his tenure at St. Paul's, the church has liquidated its \$52,000 debt, doubled its current expense budget, tripled its benevolent giving and constructed a new manse in Navarre Road. He will leave Rochester the week after Easter.

The Rev. Mr. Hoefer is president of the West New York Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church and a member of the denominational Board of International Missions and the Commission on World Service. He is also vicepresident of the Board of Managers of St. John's Home for the Aged; member of the board of directors of the Federation of Churches and the State Council of Churches; the management committee, Maplewood YMCA; the executive committee, Fellowship of Reconciliation; chairman of the Evangelical and Reformed Ministerium; past president of the Ministers' Union; Western New York representative of the Syrian Orphanage in Jerusalem and a director of the Dunkirk Conference Grounds.

## Minister Accepts Call to St. Louis

St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church has accepted the resignation of the pastor, the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, who has been called to the pastorate of St. Peter's Church, St. Louis. The Rev. and Mrs. Hoefer, with their four sons and one daughter, will go to St. Louis after Easter.

Since his arrival in Rochester in 1929 to become pastor of St. Paul Church, that church has liquidated a debt of \$52,000, has enlarged its membership and its financial undertakings and has greatly expanded its activities. The pastor is president of the West New York Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, a member of the denominational Board of International Missions, and of the Commission on World Service. He is a vicepresident of the Board of Managers of St. John's Home, member of the board of directors of the Federation of Churches, and of the State Council of Churches and is a member of other civic and church bodies.

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## St. Paul's Honors Members

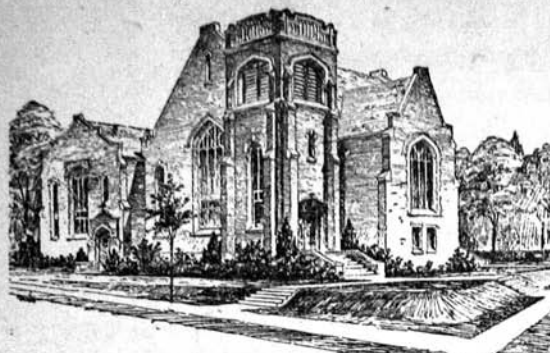
Four perpetual memberships will be dedicated at St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church, at the Dawn Memorial Communion service beginning at 7 a. m. tomorrow.

The service will be in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Krautwurst, Mr. and Mrs. William Westfall, Sgt. William J. Donish, killed in action in Germany; and the Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Hoefer.

An Easter breakfast will be served at 8:30 a. m. by the Bible Class. Pastor Hoefer will preach his final sermon at St. Paul's Church, ending a 17-year pastorate.



## Special Services Will Celebrate Anniversary of St. Paul's Church



The two guests of honor will be the Rev. Paul Zeller, son of one of the pastors of the church, ordained in 1887 when the church marked its 50th anniversary, and the Rev. William R. Walch. The Rev. Zeller is now retired and lives in Auburn.

Members of the congregation will be marking the end of three-quarters of a century of struggle, started when the church was founded in the middle of the Civil War.

With debts diminished, the  
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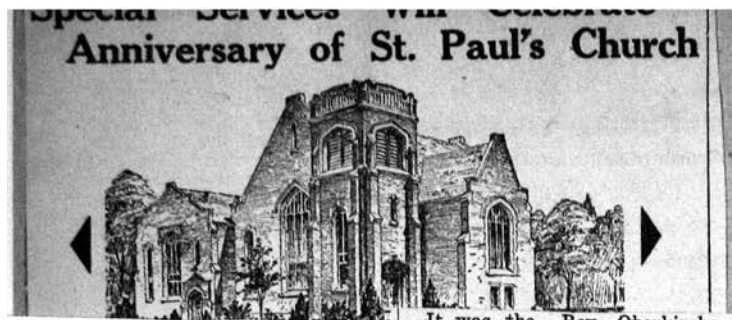
church housed in modern and spacious quarters and gifts pouring in to celebrate the jubilee, the church is in far better condition than it has been since its founding.

St. Paul's took its place as a separate church in 1862 when the Rev. P. H. Conradi and a group of members seceded from Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church. A new church was built on a site in North Fitzhugh Street next to Brick Presbyterian Church. That building is now Carpenters' Hall, sold in 1919, 57 years after its dedication on September 21, 1862.

Indicative of the relatively low costs of those times was the establishment of a parochial school with a tuition fee of six cents per student. Maintained for thirty years, the school was finally abandoned because of the expense involved in operation. Further hinting at the lower economic level was the salary of the second pastor, the Rev. John Ulrich Hoffman—\$550 a year.

Other pastors of the church were as follows: The Rev. Frederick Heinle, the Rev. Albert Zeller, the Rev. William Baur, the Rev. H. F. Grotefend, the Rev. F. D. Oberkircher, the Rev. Richard Stave, the Rev. Herman Koenig, and the present pastor, the Rev. Elmer Henry Hoefer.





## Special Services Will Celebrate Anniversary of St. Paul's Church

It was the Rev. Oberkircher, conversant with both German and English, who introduced the latter language into the services, effecting a compromise between older and younger members by having services in each language. It was the first time that English had been used in the services in half a century.

The new \$100,000 church was dedicated in 1923 at the same time that the Rev. Koenig was installed. Situated at Norton and Jewel Streets, it grew out of a desire to move out of the downtown area and had its origin in a chapel erected at Northview Terrace and St. Paul Street, soon torn down because of building restrictions.

With 400 new members added in the past eight years and the debt greatly reduced through various campaigns, the church is being aided materially by its various organizations.

Included in the organizations are: the Altar Society, founded seventy years ago, consisting of women; the Brotherhood, a men's class; Senior and Junior Leagues, for the youth of the church; the Symposium, a group meeting monthly and consisting of younger married couples and youths; an Old Timers Club, and a scout troop.

Having joined the Evangelical Synod of North America ten years after its founding, the church began to enjoy a wider sphere of influence with the union of the Evangelical Synod and the Reformed Church in the United States in 1936.

Leaders of the various organizations this year are: Church Council, John Bareis, president; Brotherhood, Herbert Groth, president; Altar Society, Mrs. Frieda Groth, president; Sunday School, William Walch and Edward Uehlin, superintendents; Senior League, Mary Fingler, president; Junior League, Mildred Bahringer, president; Symposium, Miss Lucille Reuschle, leader; choir, Herbert Krase, leader, and Old Timers Club, William Krase, leader.



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patriarch.

Space does not permit publication of a full history of the church but a more complete outline than can be given here may be secured in booklet form at any of the services. The Rev. Hoefer invites all members of the congregation, their neighbors and friends to attend the special services.



# Oldest Ex-Policeman Recalls Life on Beat

By TERRY DILLMAN

Bill Otto, Rochester's oldest former policeman, says there was nothing enjoyable about his 22 years on the force.

"How are you gonna enjoy it?" asked Otto, who celebrated his 95th birthday yesterday. "You ain't out there to have any fun. You're out there working with the crooks, and you're there to protect people."

Nevertheless, William J. Otto's voice is filled with pride when he talks about the days when police walked their beats because there weren't any cars or motorcycles.

"Those were the days," he says. "You had to have it or you didn't make it." Apparently "big Bill," as he was called when he joined the force in 1904, had it.

A newspaper clipping in his well-filled scrapbook tells how Otto singlehandedly captured two burglars.

They "were in the very act of plundering the saloon of C.F. Nolan, 332 State St.,"



BILL OTTO

when Otto spotted them, the clipping says.

Otto says he told them, "It's either you or me, fellas." I fired a warning shot, then they came out." He promptly handcuffed the pair and marched them to the nearest police station.

His hobby during those years was training dogs for the police department and giv-

ing a dog, any dog, a home. "The homeliest dog I ever saw in my life I got from a bum on West Avenue," Otto said.

"I asked him what he had under his coat, and he showed me this mongrel. He said he'd sell it for \$25, so I reached in my pocket, pulled out \$7 and took the dog," Otto says.

For fun Otto took the mongrel to dog shows. "They'd look at my dog, then tell me to get out of there," he said.

Otto retired as a lieutenant on a disability pension. During a strike he was struck on the head by a brick.

The injury impaired his vision and hearing, he said.

Otto spends most of his time watching television at St. John's Home for the Aging, 1262 South Ave., where he now lives.

"A lot of guys my age just sit around and fade away," Otto says. "But I don't have time for that."

He spent his birthday with his son, Edwin W. Otto, 262 Townsend St., a retired fire lieutenant.

## Church Dedicates Memorial Chimes

Chimes given by the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eckert were dedicated Sunday at St. Paul's Evangelical Church by the Rev. Elmer H. Hoefer, minister. The gift was announced Jan. 1, while Mrs. Eckert still lived.

Henry Betz, organist, played two selections with the chimes at the opening of service, "Ave Maria," by Arcadelt, and "The Minster Chimes," by Calver. During the dedication proper, the organ was heard softly playing "German Chorale," a favorite with Mrs. Eckert.

This service was followed by a Lenten cantata, "Hail the Victor," by Wooler.