# DOR May 21, 1985 Tetons National Park Roger C. Huebner, D.D.S.

# at the MASTER'S FEET

# The Trinity

June 2nd is Trinity Sunday and our Gospel text is Matthew 28:16-20.

There is only one God. "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one" (Deut. 6:4), but there are three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Therefore, we say that God is the Holy Trinity or the Three-in-One. We, with our finite minds, cannot understand or explain how God can be three Persons and yet only one God. But we must not expect with our finite minds to comprehend the infinite God; if we could, then God would be just as small as we are. We must accept the truth concerning God as He Himself has revealed it to us in His Word, the Scriptures.

God plainly tells us that He is One, for He says, "I am the Lord your God, . . . you shall have no other gods before Me" (Ex. 20:2-3). Yet He also clearly tells us that there are three Persons. They are explicitly stated in Christ's command to His

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disciples and to us in our Gospel text for Trinity Sunday. "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matt. 28:18-20).

The three Persons in the Trinity were all revealed at the baptism of Jesus. In Matt. 3:16 and 17, we read: "Then Jesus, when He had been baptized, came up immediatley from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven saying, 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Each Person in the Holy Trinity has a share in the work of our salvation. God the Father sent His Son to save us. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (Jn. 3:16). God the Son became man and died for us.

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8). And God the Holy Spirit applies redemption to our souls through the Word of God and the Sacraments. "Therefore I make known to you, that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit" (I Cor. 12:3).

To the great One in Three Eternal praises be, Hence evermore; His sovereign majesty May we in glory see, And to eternity Love and adore.

(From Hymn 237, Concordia)

Our faith needs just such a great God. We could not do without the Father — what an inheritence as adopted sons and daughters is ours! And what a privilege to pray as Jesus has taught us, "Our Father." And likewise we could not do without the Son, our Savior and Lord, who is our only way to the Father. And the Holy Spirit is equally needed; for who but the Holy Spirit could lead our hearts to Jesus, and teach us to cry out, "Abba, Father." "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together" (Rom. 8:14-17).

Praise and thanks to The Triune God, the God of our salvation, the God of our strength and joy! Amen.



by Pastor Amos O. Dyrud Learn from Jeremiah

# In whom is your boasting!

It is sad to say, but I believe this is quite an accurate assessment of much of the "Christianity" of our day: oftentimes people are glorying more in themselves than in the Lord. The same was true in the days of the prophet Jeremiah when the Lord called him to prophesy of the impending overthrow and destruction of Jerusalem unless the people would repent of their arrogance and idolatry.

In Jeremiah 9:23, 24, we read, "Thus says the Lord, 'Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this. that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things,' declares the Lord" (NASB). The fleshly, selfish and natural temptation for us is to glory and boast in ourselves and our accomplishments, rather than to humbly acknowledge and confess our sin, weakness and need of God in our

Jeremiah speaks of three basic things that some people boast about — wisdom, might and wealth. These three phases deal with the common areas of intellectual, physical and social boasting of the world.

1. The wise are tempted to boast in their wisdom. We must remember when we are so tempted that the wisdom of man is foolishness in God's sight. I Cor. 3:19, 20 says, "For the wisdom of this world is foolishness before God. For it is written, 'He is the one who catches the wise in their craftiness;' and again, 'The Lord



By Pastor Joel Rolf, Devils Lake, N. Dak.

or God?

knows the reasonings of the wise, that they are useless." Similarly, in I Corinthians 8:2, "If any one supposes that he knows any thing, he has not yet known as he ought to know."

We live in a day when people often pride themselves in their knowing of things. In the past year or so we have seen a wild craze for trivia. People are seeking to know whatever trivia they can about any trivial thing. While there is nothing wrong in knowing some trivia, God would have us to know that these things are really small and trivial in the light of eternity. Knowing all the trivia in the world will never save anyone.

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Neither will having much wisdom save anyone. Only as we personally repent of our sin and trust in Christ as our Savior and Lord will we be saved. Someone has said that many people will miss heaven by 18 inches. Eighteen inches is the approximate distance between one's head and one's heart. Many know much about Christ in their heads but have never received him into their hearts and lives and as a result will not enter heaven.

"Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, . . . but let him who boasts boast of this that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord . . ." (v. 23, 24). Friends, true wisdom is only found in knowing the Lord. Man's wisdom is full of jealousy, selfish ambition, disorder and every evil thing (Jas. 3:13-16). But the

wisdom of God is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy" (Jas. 3:17). Man's wisdom is full of every evil thing but God's wisdom is pure. When we are tempted to boast of our wisdom, may we see it as a temptation to sin that we must say "no" to. Rather, let us seek to know the Lord and His wisdom which He promises to all who will ask Him in faith (Jas. 1:15).

2. The mighty are tempted to boast of their might. The might of man is weakness in God's sight. We see this so vividly illustrated in Scripture in the person of Goliath of Gath, the giant of the Philistines who boasted of his strength. He taunted the Isrealites and asked for a man that they might fight together. When the shepherd boy David came forward, the ridiculing became all the louder. But David said, "You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin, but I come to you in the Name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel; whom You have taunted. This day, the Lord will deliver you up into my hands, and I will strike you down and remove your head from you . . . that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel" (I Sam. 17:45, 46). The might of man is weakness in God's sight. Let not the strong man boast of his strength, for the battle is not always won by the strong. King Benhadad of Syria boasted of his might and was defeated (I Kings 20:10). The list of kings and empires that have boasted their might and strength and then have suffered humiliating defeat would be long. Proverbs 16:18 is a word we must remember, "Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before stumbling."

All human strength is nothing without God. The strength of man is weakness in God's sight but God's strength is made perfect in our weakness. "God gives strength to the weary, and to Him who lacks might he increases power. Those who wait on the Lord will gain new strength" (Is. 40:29, 31). To boast of human strength is vanity. "Unless the Lord builds the house they labor in vain

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#### BOASTING ...

who build it. Unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman keeps awake in vain" (Psalm 127:1). If we are trusting in our own strength to keep us from yielding to temptations and the pressures that confront us, we will fall flat on our faces. May we see such as temptations to sin that we must say "no" to. Rather, let us seek to be strong in the Lord and the strength of His might and put on the full armor of God so that we might be able to stand firm.

3. The rich are tempted to boast in riches. Christians are not exempt from this temptation any than anyone else. King Hezekiah of Judah was one who for the most part trusted in the Lord. The Lord blessed him and his kingdom with immense gifts and treasures of every kind. Hezekiah became proud of all these things and gave no return of thanks to the Lord. He also showed off all his treasures to the King of Babylon. Then the Prophet Isaiah came to him with a word from the Lord that "all the treasures of his house and all that the fathers had laid up in store to that day would be carried off into Babylon and nothing would be left" (II Kings 20:13, II Chron. 32). We see in this illustration the vanity of boasting in one's riches or possessions. All that we are and have has been entrusted to us by the Lord in His grace and mercy. To boast and say that it is my wisdom and my strength that has gained these riches of mine is really to be guilty of idolatry. As Job says, "If I have put my confidence in gold and called fine gold my trust and have gloated because my wealth was great and because my hand secured so much . . . That would have been an iniquity calling for judgment, for I would have denied God above" (Job 31:24, 25, 28). If we put our trust in ourselves and the possessions God has given us, we are guilty of breaking the first commandment in having other gods before God and we need to repent of that sin. May God help

us to see the utter foolishness and futility of boasting in our wisdom, might, or riches.

"Let Him who boasts boast of this. that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth for I delight in these things, declares the Lord" (v. 24). Do you understand and know the Lord? It is not enough to know about the Lord in order to be saved, we need to know Him personally as Savior and Lord in our lives. That involves being willing to surrender our proud boasting of ourselves to the Lord, seeking His forgiveness for all our sins, and trusting Him as our Savior and Lord of all we are and have.

The child of God has no one to boast or glory in but the Lord. The Apostle Paul tells us, "Let him who boasts, boast in the Lord" (I Cor. 1:31). "But may it never be that I should boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ." (Gal. 6:14). Christ and the cross are the glory of the Christian. Without them we would have no hope of being saved from our sins.

Do you understand and know the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on the earth? Moses was one who at many times saw the lovingkindness, justice and righteousness of God even as it was declared to him on Mount Sinai when he received the Ten Commandments that second time. "Then the Lord passed by in front of him and proclaimed, 'The Lord, the Lord God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth; who keeps lovingkindness for thousands; who forgives iniquity, transgression and sin; yet He will by no means leave the guilty unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers on the children and on the grandchildren to the third and fourth generations" (Ex. 34:6, 7).

Have you come to know the Lord's lovingkindness, justice and righteousness? Every growing Chris-

tian desires to continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord in his or her life. The Psalmist was growing in his knowledge of the Lord's lovingkindness as he testified, "Thy lovingkindness, O Lord, extends to the heavens; Thy faithfulness reaches the skies" (Psalm 36:5). The Apostle Paul testified, "But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish in order that I may gain Christ" (Phil. 3:7, 8). Oh, that we, too, would be willing to be weaned of all our boasting in ourselves and whatever wisdom, might or riches we might have and that our sole glory would be in knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## **SURRENDER**

It is not always true that a man's purse is converted at the same time as his heart is surrendered to God, but there never is a purse-surrender without a heart-surrender preceding it.

Mars A Dale, The Stewardship of the Christian Man, Augsburg Publishing House

#### AFLC Annual Conference

We, the staff of the Association Retreat Center, consider it a privilege and pleasure to again host the Annual Conference of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. This is our 23rd Annual Conference and we pray that many of you will consider it your responsibility to God to attend this conference and have a part in the decisions that will be made. This is also a time of spiritual uplifting and renewing of Christian friendship and fellowship.

#### MOTEL HOUSING FOR THE CONFERENCE

Valley Inn Motel, Dresser, Wis. 54009; Phone 715-755-2781. Located six miles north of the ARC.

1 double bed -1 person \$25.00 1 double bed - 2 persons \$29.00

2 double beds - 1 person \$30.00

double beds - 2 persons \$35.00

Somerset Motel, Somerset, Wis. 54025; Phone 715-247-5487, Located nine miles south of the ARC.

1 double bed - 1 person \$26.00

1 double bed -2 persons \$32.00

2 double beds - 1 person \$44.00

double beds - 2 persons \$48.00

# Welcome to the ARC

For those of you who have never been here before, the ARC is located in the countryside near Osceola, Wisconsin, close to the scenic St. Croix River, an area where God's handiwork is beautifully displayed. This will also give you an opportunity to see your property firsthand.

There will be housing available at the ARC at the following costs per person per night:

Good News Lodge — \$8.50

The Good News Lodge has five rooms on the first floor with two beds in each room, which we reserve for our senior citizens. There are 20 rooms on the second floor, each containing two sets of double bunks.

Covenant House — \$7.00

This building has 32 rooms with two beds in each room and is reserved for couples and singles. No children.

Summer Dorms: Tabitha, Daniel and Bethany - \$6.00

Most of the rooms in these dorms can house four or more; however, there are a few that house only two.

Family rates are available also. Children eight years and under are half price if they are in the same room as their parents. Children two

years and under are free if they are in the same room as their parents.

Please bring your own bedding, pillows and towels. If there are those who cannot bring their own bedding, please let us know and arrangements can be made to furnish this for you at a cost of \$2.00. We would appreciate it if you would pre-register

There will also be camping facilities available on the grounds at the ARC at a cost of \$3.50 per night. A listing of motels located nearby is also included. If you plan to stay in a motel, we suggest that you make your own reservations.

Three meals a day will be served at Manna Inn dining hall during the conference. A light meal will be served Tuesday evening for those who are coming early. Regarding meals for children: children eight and under are served at half price. Children two and under are free.

If you have any questions, please write The ARC, R. 1, Box 92, Osceola, Wisconsin 54020, or phone 715-294-2877.

Again, we say, welcome to all of you, and to our 23rd Annual Conference.

> In Christ Bob and Carol Dietsche

#### ELECTIONS AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

\*designates incumbent

Nominations are made from the floor for the constitutional officers and there must be at least two nominations for each position.

Vice President (1-year term)

\*Rev. Leslie Galland, Thief River Falls, Minn.

(Having served three consecutive terms, Pastor Galland must receive a three-fourths majority on the first ballot in order to be re-elected.

Secretary (1-year term)

\*Rev. Bruce Dalager, Grand Forks, N. Dak.

#### **ELECTIONS BY CORPORATION**

Co-ordinating Committee (5-year Term)

\*Mr. Arlo Kneeland, Summit, S. Dak.

Home Missions Committee (5 year term)

\*Rev. David Molstre, Dickinson, N. Dak.

Board of Trustees (Schools)

(5-year term)

\*Rev. Rodger Olson, Canton, S. Dak.

World Missions Committee (5-year term)

\*Mr. Kenneth Nash, Colfax, N. Dak.

Commission on Evangelism (5-year term)

\*Rev. Laurel Udden, Minneapolis, Minn.

Stewardship Board (5-year term)

\*Rev. Robert L. Lee, Minneapolis, Minn.

Youth Board (5-year term)

\*Rev. Paul Nash, Tioga N. Dak.

Board of Pensions (5-year term)

\*Rev. Larry Haagenson, Newfolden, Minn.

Board of Publications and Parish Education (5-year term)

\*Rev. Ralph Rokke, Minneapolis, Minn.

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LUTHER LEAGUE FEDERATION

CONVENTION

July 29-August 3

Cedar Canyon Methodist Camp Black Hills Rapid City, S. Dak.

#### SCHEDULE

Monday, July 29:

3:00 P.M. - Registration

6:00 P.M. - Evening Meal

7:30 P.M. - Evening Service

Tuesday, July 30 - Friday August 2:

7:00 A.M. - Rising Bell

7:30 A.M. - Personal Devotions

8:00 A.M. - Breakfast

8:30 A.M. - Camp Cleanup

9:00 A.M. - Bible Study in I John

10:00 A.M. - Workshops

11:00 A.M. - Workshops

12:00 Noon - Noon Meal

1:00 P.M. - Dorm Discussion

1:30 P.M. - Recreation

(Friday: Luther League Federation **Business Meeting**)

5:00 P.M. - Choir

6:00 P.M. - Supper

7:00 P.M. - Prayer and Preparation

7:30 P.M. - Evening Service

9:30 P.M. - Afterglow

10:45 P.M. - Dorm Devotions

11:00 P.M. - Lights Out

Theme Verse:

Proverbs 14:26 "In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, and His children will have refuge."

ONFIDENCE

IN CHRIST

SUMMER '85 in South Dakota's Black Hills

Saturday, August 3:

7:00 A.M. - Rising Bell

7:30 A.M. - Personal Devotions

8:00 A.M. - Breakfast

8:30 A.M. - Camp Cleanup

9:00 A.M. - Bible Study in I John

10:00 A.M. – Workshops

11:00 A.M. - Workshops

12:00 Noon - Noon Meal

1:00 P.M. - Closing Service

Youth groups are invited to come prepared to present skits with a Christian emphasis.

# Bible School program at Ferndale

The Luther League at Triumph Lutheran Church, Ferndale, Wash., held a Bible School Presentation Dinner and Program on March 23. Thirty-six Leaguers and Bible School alumni gathered for a delicious lasagna dinner served by the leaguers' mothers.

A great time of fellowship and sharing, with background music from Bible School Choir records, added to our enjoyment. A table with all past AFLBS annuals and other information was set up for the evening. Alumni brought scrapbooks and photo albums to share with the leaguers.

Pastor Kenneth Moland, former Bible School dean, from Kirkland

Wash., came to be with us for the dinner and was our guest speaker for the program that followed. Pastor Moland gave a 20-minute slide presentation on the Bible School and a most informative talk about the school. An offering of \$125 was taken and given to our Bible School Scholarship fund. Three young men plan to attend this fall and one young man will be going to our seminary.

All of March and April our youth bulletin board has featured the Bible School and its different activities.

#### SPEAKERS AND TEACHERS:

**Evening Speaker:** 

Pastor Lyndon Korhonen Culbertson, Mont.

Bible Study Teacher in I John:

Pastor Donald Greven. Dean – Assoc. Free Lutheran Bible School Minneapolis, Minn.

## WORKSHOPS

\_How to Study the Bible

-Rev. Philip Haugen Minneapolis, Minn.

\_Doctrine of Baptism -Rev. Bruce Dalager

Leadership Training -Rev. Richard Anderson Apple Valley, Minn.

\_Doctrine of the Holy Spirit -Rev. Bruce Dalager

Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Personal Evangelism -Rev. Peter Franz Minot, N. Dak.

\_Family Relationships -Rev. Dale Mellgren Kalispell, Mont.

Personal Relationships -Rev. Michael Brandt Amery, Wis.

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Please check the five electives which you would most like to attend at the convention. Early pre-registration will guarantee your classes.

#### Ages:

Those involved in their local Luther Leagues.

Camp Dean: Pastor Curtis Emerson Dean of Men: Alan Arneson Dean of Women: Jean Swanson

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Please send a \$5.00 Pre-registration fee by July 1. Mail

Mr. Alan Arneson, Treas. Rt. 2, Box 101-A Spicer, Minn. 56288

#### Cost:

If you submit a \$5.00 pre-registration fee, the cost of the camp when you arrive is \$65.00. Without pre-registration the cost of the camp will be \$75.00. Pre-registration must be in by July 1. Send to Alan Arneson at above address.

#### What to bring:

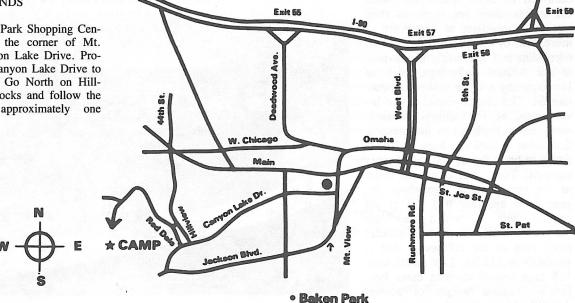
Please bring your Bible, notebooks, bedding, recreational clothing, swim wear, towels and other personal articles. Please plan to dress in manner pleasing to the Lord. (Boys should wear slacks and girls should wear dresses or skirts for evening services.) NO Shorts (except for recreation) or bikinis or miniskirts. Please do not bring radios, games, firecrackers, etc.

No one will be allowed to leave the camp unless excused. All Leaguers are expected to attend each session unless excused by a staff member.

RAPID CITY

#### MAP and DIRECTIONS to CAMPGROUNDS

Begin at Baken Park Shopping Center, located on the corner of Mt. View and Canyon Lake Drive. Proceed West on Canyon Lake Drive to Hillview Street. Go North on Hillview for two blocks and follow the posted signs approximately mile.



# campus news

# Looking back - looking forward

Rev. Donald Greven, Acting Dean, AFLBS

As I look back over the past school year at AFLBS, my heart is filled with joy and gratefulness to God for all that He has done. Truly we have a wonderful and gracious Savior who knows and cares for us and all our needs! I am thankful most of all for the changes God has wrought through His Word in the lives of many of our students. Isn't that precisely what God promises? He says, "For as the rain and the snow come down out of heaven, and do not return there without watering the earth, and making it bear and sprout, and furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater: so shall My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me empty, without accomplishing what I desire, and without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it" (Is. 55:10-11)

The fellowship in Christ that I have witnessed on campus this year is another cause for great joy. My soul has been blessed many times as students have shared how they have been led to Bible School and what Christ has done for them as they have been obedient to His Word. I think, too, of the display of Christian friendship and fellowship so obvious at our Alumni gatherings, such as Homecoming and the basketball tournament. The closeness and active involvement of our alumni certainly speak very clearly as to the blessing that Bible School has been and continues to be in the lives of our former students! Then, too, as people come in for our concerts throughout the year, it is apparent that this is yet another way in which they are blessed. Campus Days was another illustration of the fellowship that is available at AFLBS. Last month over 125 high school students came here for a weekend sample of life at AFLBS. Many shared with me and

with others how much that time in God's Word and Christian fellowship meant to them. One girl expressed to me that she wished she could forget about the rest of her senior year in high school and just stay here on campus until next fall!

As I look back, I also thank God for the fellowship I have experienced in our congregations. As I have had the opportunity to share the Word in several churches, and to travel with the choir on tour, what a joy it was to see teenagers looking forward to AFLBS after high school. Many adults, too, have expressed that they are praying for us and our school and doing what they can to encourage their youth to attend Bible School.

I am also grateful to God for the many of you who continue to support our school financially. Last summer, when the plea went out for help in installing the fire and smoke alarm system, you responded with over \$4000 in gifts. We thank God for each one of you who supports our Schools with your prayers and gifts!

We are looking forward with joy to what God is going to do in our

## Summer Institute of Theology announced

Dr. Walter A. Maier, Jr., professor of New Testament Exegesis at Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Ft. Wayne, Ind., will teach "Principles of Biblical Interpretation" at the annual Summer Institute of Theology at Free Lutheran Seminary this summer. He will be teaching 12 hours (Mon.-Thurs.) in the Institute's first week, July 22-26.

Dr. Maier, son of the late Walter A Maier, Sr., founder and principal speaker on the International Lutheran Hour for 20 years, has done postgraduate work at Washington University and Concordia Seminary Graduate School, both in St. Louis, Mo. He is former vice—president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

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school next year. Many of our first-year students will be returning and we are praying for at least 100 students on campus when school starts on September 9. For you high school seniors or graduates who are not sure of plans for the fall, perhaps God is calling you to "come apart for a while" to grow in Christ and His Word. Catalogs and applications are available from the school at any time.



Springtime at AFLBS.

# editorials

#### **COMING CONFERENCE**

In three short weeks delegates from Association congregations and pastors meeting in the 23rd Annual Conference of the church fellowship. We will be assembling at the Association Retreat Center (ARC), Osceola, Wis., but actually due east of the small community of East Farmington. The dates are June 12-16.

The Conference met at the ARC two years ago and the Retreat Center proved well able to accommodate the Conference. The auditorium is well suited to host the business sessions, although, as we recall, a very large Conference attendance would tax its capacity to the utmost. The ARC is situated in a beautiful natural setting and in early to mid-June that setting will be fesh and green and bright. Bob and Carol Dietsche and their "crew" will be amiable and capable hosts.

What should we look for in this Conference? We try to visualize in our mind what the topics of discussion will be, even as you do. Likely what comes to all of our minds first is the matter of budget. How big should our minimum golas be for our work together: Missions, Schools, General Fund, Praise Fund? Have the past goals been too big (we have failed to meet them)? Or is the problem one that comes from a lack of challenging one another a failure to have a large enough vision?

The Ambassador has carried some discussion on this subject over recent months. We expect that there will be further comment on the Conference floor. There ought to be.

We are certain that the Budget Analysis Committee has done more soul-searching, and "sweating" than ever in approving the goals it wil recommend for Conference action. It will be good if the basic parts of each budget are laid out clearly, by the Committee or agency spokesman, so that everyone knows what the essentials needed for the work are.

Tied in with all of this is the matter of free congregations working together, the independence and interdependence of which Pastor Kenneth Moland wrote in arecent article on request fromt eh Stewardship Board (Apr. 23). Pastor R. Snipstead, president of the AFLC, did the same in his "Invitation to the Conference" (May 7) and emphsized how the work of the Association has been authorized by the congregations through the annual conferences, the congregations then aciting upon those decisions.

This question of how congregations relate to one another and the place of the Annual Conference is one that will be raised at this year's Conference. It is good to think about this, not least because our fellowship is nearing the 25-year mark and that is a logical time to consider roots, heritage and direction.

The Conference can expect to hear a report from the Co-ordinating Committee about its thinking now about the maintenance of the AFLC Clergy Roster. A proposal was brought up last year which proved deficient in the eyes o f delegates and the Co-ordinating Committee was asked to bring a new report to the 1985 Conference.

The Facilities Committee is to report to the Conference on needs and plans for added space at the Schools and Headquarters in Minneapolis. Last year two options were presented. In one, the AFLC Headquarters would vacate its present location and move inot a new structure also serving the Schools. The other option would call for a new building, too, but one that would serve only the Shcools, as a classroom-library-administrative building. In the first plan, the building would serve the same purposes.

In World Missions, there will be news of development in all fields. The situation concerning Paraguay will be clarified. In Home Missions, there will be the story of open doors and lack of funds. Publications and Parish Education will inform the church of new possibilities in printing becakuse of the small printing machine which has been secured through the kindness of the Women's Missionary Federation.

And there will be more. Will your congregation be represented at Osceola? We hope so. As interest begins to focus in the 25th Conference in two years there could be a tendency to get so taken up in that that the presen is neglected. But that mustn't happen. We must make the most of today, of this hour. It is o nly as we do our work together well now that 1987 can be a time of real rejoicing, too.

Having said that, we should begin to plan now for ways in which to celebrate 25 years, if that length of time is given us as a fellowship in God's work. These next two years could be ones in which to remember beginnings and to examine our course today in light of the founding vision. Perhaps this year's Conference can give some direction about this.

May the Lord bless Annual Conference 1985. Plan to attend. If you cannot come, pray for it. Whether you can come or not, uphold preparations and actuality in prayer.

"For where the heart stands idle and the Word is not heard, the devil breaks in and does his damage before we realize it."

Luther

#### Institute . . .

Rev. Robert L. Lee, instructor at AFLTS, will teach eight hours of "History of the Reformation" in the first week.

The second week July 29-Aug. 2, will have two ten-hour sections. Rev. Francis Monseth, dean of the seminary, will teach "Christian Ethics" and Rev. Ralph Tjelta, instructor, will present "Studies in the Minor Prophets."



Dr. Walter A. Maier

Registration for the Institute is \$15.00. Housing is available on campus at four dollars a day. Textbooks will cost approximately \$25.00. Registrants must bring their own bedding and towels. Limited refrigeration space and cooking facilities are offered. Some financial assistance to pastors and lay pastors who register for a minimum of 15 hours will be given through grants from Aid Association for Lutherans.

A summer "Introduction to New Testament Greek" is being offered by the Seminary. The course will be presented twice daily, July 15-26 and Aug. 5-30, by Rev. Philip Haugen, AFLTS instructor. New seminary enrollees must have this course if they have not previously studied New Testament Greek. Non-seminary students will be charged \$140.00.

Any questions about the Institute or the course in Greek should be directed to:

Rev. Francis Monseth, Dean AFLTS 3110 E. Medicine Lake Blvd. Minneapolis, Minn. 55441

Or call 612-545-5631 during business hours.

# 1985 AFLBS Choral Club tour

Some of you readers have expressed that you enjoy "going with us" on our annual tours by reading these reports. So, "come with us" again as we start out on a beautiful March 27th afternoon in the clean comfortable Koch Bus Service chartered bus with Bernie Janski, our pleasant, congenial driver. Thirty Bible School students, Mr. Rodvold, and we two — Amos and Ovidie Dyrud, left AFLBS in anticipation of the visits to the congregations on our schedule.

First stop — a nursing home in Cumberland, Wisconsin, where Pastor Tom Baker met us and ushered us in to a place where he loves to minister — a nursing home. (We remember from his seminary days here how he was active in the ministry of Medicine Lake Congregation's regular Sunday morning services at Crystal Care Center.) We sensed a very warm welcome and had a blessed service there. Mr. Rodvold, too, expresses his interest in nursing home visitation, both with his choirs and also frequently with his wife, as they visit various such centers. I was impressed too with the Choral Club members and how they interacted with individuals after their program. It was a real blessing for all - residents and us visitors alike.

Section Ten Congregation in rural Cumberland welcomed us with a wonderful dinner and good attendance for the concert. The hospitality in the homes that housed us, too, was great — and this can be said of all the congregations we visited on the trip. It would be good if more details could be given about each place because all of them were so special. Thank you to all at all the places on this tour!

The next day brought us to Escanaba, Michigan, where Pastor Dick Gunderson and his flock greeted us. This was home territory for Dana Lordson and Dawn Spaulding. It is always good to meet the families of our students. Coming to someone's home church adds extra zest to the welcomes! And in your imagination you can picture the excitement of those in our group coming home to

mothers and dads and little (and big) brothers and sisters! Besides the evening concert there we visited a local nursing home the next day at which the mother of one of our group, though young, was a resident. One resident represented the group and spoke loving words about her and her daughter and what they meant to them all. This was a very touching experience, too.

The next stop was Eben Junction. Personnally, we missed seeing the Tenneboes, who had recently moved from there, but we were very happy while there to hear that their next pastor was to be Pastor John Mundfrom. We were happy for the congregation and for the Mundfroms. Judging from the many fine students we have and have had from there, it should be a good parish to serve! And this is the home of Eric Westlake of our group, so again — that royal welcome and joy!

Next day we set out for Ishpeming where Pastor Harvey Jackson and flock welcomed us. Again we repeat, we wish we could give more details of the wonderful meals and hospitality shown at each place but we remind our readers that each place offered these blessings. Now Brian Pentti was home. We were happy to see how well and thankful Pastor and Mrs. Pentti appeared. We had the Saturday evening concert and also worshipped there on Palm Sunday morning.

Winter returned this Sunday. Blizzard conditions and snow caused the cancellation of our concert in Chassell for that evening. Yes, we were "snowed in!" However, often one heard the comment, "What a good place to be snowed in!" Eliason families from the Ishpeming congregation owned two motels (the Rainbow and the Imperial) in Marquette. Our plans had been to stay in one of them on Monday night after our free day in the Marquette area. Our plans did not take into consideration places for 33 persons in a motel for Sunday night. How thankful we were and are for the generosity of the Eliasons! Thank you, friends. Managers of one of these were two of our own



In return for the night's lodging, the students lent a helping hand with the housekeeping duties. Shown are Carol Jorgenson and Linda Anderson folding sheets in the motel laundry.

AFLBS alumni — Erling and Nancy (Moe) Langness. They barbequed weiners outside in the snowy air and served us *all* hot dogs, buns, chips, homemade brownies and ice cream for our evening meal plus a continental breakfast the next morning in their apartment. The snow was really coming down (22 inches of it) and restaurants were some walk away, so you know how this was appreciated! And all this with a two-week old baby!!

We were thankful that being their own concert had to be cancelled,

some folks from Chassell went to Pelkie for the Tuesday evening concert. The final concert was at Bessemer Wednesday evening after which the busload headed back to Minneapolis. Though I cannot report first hand about the activities at Pelkie and Bessemer, we heard they had the same blessed times there. So thanks to the Pastors Gerdeen, Klenner and Koren and all the folks there for the good hospitality, fellowship and all.

A change of events for Amos and me took place when I became ill at Ishpeming — Marquette area and had to return to Minneapolis two days early. How thankful we were again for the prayers and the kindnesses by many to us during this time. Pastor Ken Pentti and Mr. Richard Schauland brought us to Minneapolis, driving all night, after which I was hopitalized for two days.

As I write this report three weeks later and feeling fine, I think back to the concerts themselves and the blessing each was to me. I feel that those of you who heard the concerts share many of the same sentiments. I am blessed just seeing the faces of the singers because we believe they mean what they sing and that they have experienced God's saving grace in their individual lives. Before the concerts we heard Mr. Rodvold reminding them that they are singinig to the glory of God, so it must be well done. We hear their prayers prior to each concert. We hear the devotions led by Pastor Dyrud prior to each concert. So while they sing

in concert, it is a feast of giving glory to God in song and testimony. The words of the songs go deeply into my heart — songs like: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, Sing to the Lord of Harvest, My Song Shall Be of Jesus, This is My Father's World, Abide With Me, Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken, etc.

We were in the Lenten season. Pastor Dyrud's message at the concerts led us to reflect on Jesus' last days on earth and the sufferings He went through on our behalf. Again, thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift. Thanks be to God, too, for faithful servants who proclaim His Word.

At each concert, we enjoyed another special treat that. During the offertory, Mr. Rodvold sang, "Be Thou Faithful." How that must have touched special chords in many a heart as he so intently, beautifully and urgently sang such phrases as "Be Thou Faithful unto death and I will give to thee the crown of life" and "Be not afraid, Thy help is near. Be not afraid, Thy help is near. ..." He has sung that very song at many ordinations throughout these years in the AFLC and we know it has been and is a special blessing to many.

Mr. Rodvold, words cannot fully express our thanks to you for the blessing you have been to us. We do not like to think of this as our last concert tour with you — but can we say? . . . Thank you and God Bless you!

-Mrs. Amos Dyrud



Don Rodvold, Erling and Nancy Languess and sons in the office of Rainbow Motel.



Continental breakfast served by the Langnesses in their apartment. Students pictured: left to right, Leif Melby, Carol Jorgenson, Mindy Saldenais and Craig Gray.



"Come ye yourselves apart . . . and rest a while" (Mark 6:31).

We continue our update of what is going on at the ARC with the listing of those we have served since our last listing:

Way of the Cross Lutheran Church, Blaine, Minn.

North Heights Lutheran Church, Roseville, Minn.

Upper Midwest Congregational Fellowship Pastor's Retreat

Upcoming events that would interest our AFLC people are:

May 24-27 — Second Annual Memorial Day Weekend Work Retreat. We encourage people from all over the AFLC to come and join us at this retreat. The purpose of this retreat is to help with work that needs to be done at the ARC, to have fellowship, time in God's Word and recreation.

The accompanying pictures were taken at last year's Memorial Day Retreat.

June 12 — Women's Missionary Federation Annual Convention.

June 12-16 — AFLC Annual Conference.

One of the projects that we have been working on is finishing the east end of Manna Inn. The folding wall has been extended so anyone sitting in the back will be able to see the stage. The furnace has been moved into the west corner and the pipes will be placed above the ceiling and extended farther into the main dining hall so the heat will be more uniform. Finishing touches have been put on the windows and the walls have been paneled.

We are in the process of building a fireplace in the Fireside Lounge in Manna Inn.

We have also painted the kitchen and finished around the windows. Additional shelves have been built in one of the storage rooms.

In closing, we ask that you support your work at the ARC with your prayers, time and monetary gifts. Thank you.

Bob Dietsche, Director

# Centennial to be observed

Trinity Lutheran Church, rural McIntosh, Minn., will begin its 100th anniversary celebration with a confirmation reunion and banquet on Saturday evening, June 8, starting at 5 o'clock. There will be an evening service at 8.

On Sunday, services will be at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 8:00 p.m.

The theme for this special event is "To God Be the Glory!" The theme verse is Isaiah 40:8 and the hymn, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty!"

Rev. Walter Beaman is pastor of the congregation.

An invitation is extended to all pastors and friends to attend this happy occasion.

# With our evangelistyouth worker

Following a period of breaking-in after his illness, Evangelist Kenneth Pentti has now resumed full-time activity in his schedule. Pray for him as he carries on the work of evangelist and youth worker in our church. Pray for strength of both body and spirit. Here are his coming appointments.

Pelkie, Mich.
Grace Lutheran Church
May 29–June 2
Michael Klenner, pastor

Osceola, Wis.

AFLC Annual Conference at the ARC

June 12-16

Mahtowa, Minn.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cloquet, Minn., Family Camp

June 23-28

Herbert Franz and Tony Stockman, pastors

Minneapolis, Minn.

Association Free Lutheran Seminary Summer Institute of Theology July 22–Aug. 2

Paynesville, Minn.

Hauge Foreign Mission and Evangelical Lutheran Fellowship Camp Lake Koronis

Aug. 31-Sept. 2



Flag Raising



The Swimming Pool

# news of the churches



Chippewa Lutheran Church

# Two men ordained recently

Paul W. Abel, now a missionary in Brazil, was ordained into the ministry of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations on Sunday Mar. 3, at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Thief River Falls, Minn. He was graduated from AFLTS in 1984.

Rev. Richard Snipstead, AFLC President, preached the sermon and officiated at the ordination. Mr. Abel's father (his mother was also



Rev. G.F. Mundfrom, Rev. John Mundfrom and Rev. Francis Monseth.

# Work week at the Wilderness Camp

There will be a work week at the Wilderness Bible Camp at Lake Park, Minn., on June 24-29. Come for a day or the entire week, bring your camper and enjoy the peace and quiet of God's Creation. Free camping. There will be Bible studies and fellowship in God's Word.

present), also a missionary to Brazil, gave a greeting. Pastor and Mrs. Paul Abel sang a duet in the service. Four of the five members of the World Missions Committee and a former member took part in the commissioning service for the Abels, which also took place then.

Mr. John D. Mundfrom, son of Rev. and Mrs. Gerald F. Mundfrom, was ordained as a pastor of the AFLC on Sun., April 14, at Morgan Avenue Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn. He is now serving Calvary Lutheran Church, Eben Jct., Mich. Mr. Mundfrom was graduated from AFLTS in 1984.

His father, a brother-in-law and an uncle, all pastors, were among those reading Scripture in the service. Rev. Francis Monseth, dean of the Seminary, officiated at the ordination and preached the sermon.

Mrs. John Mundfrom and Rev. Richard Anderson, Apple Valley, Minn., sang a duet during the service.

## New AFLC bookeeper

Miss Debbie Beaman was named bookkeeper in the AFLC Business Office and began her duties on March 1, replacing Mrs. Linda Butterfield Rigstad, who had resigned.

Miss Beaman is a 1981 graduate of Association Free Lutheran Bible School. She is the daughter of Pastor

# 100th Anniversary of church building

Chippewa Lutheran Church of Brandon, Minn., celebrated the 100th anniversary of the building of its church on Sunday, April 14. Rev. Richard Snipstead, President of the AFLC, brought the anniversary message. There was special music by the church choir and the Gospel Messengers. Mr. Jerry Klein, chairman of the congregation, read the history of the building of the church. A potluck dinner was enjoyed by all attending.

Chippewa Congregation was organized in 1871. They worshiped in farm homes for some time. After the building of the school in Brandon, they used the school building for their place of worship. On November 29, 1885, Professor Sven Oftedal of Augsburg Seminary dedicated the present church building.

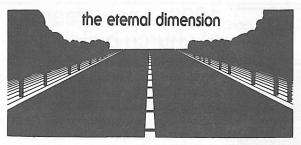


## Bessemer, Mich.

Pastor Johan Koren of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bessemer, Michigan, is shown presenting a check for \$208.00 to two officials from the Bessemer conference of the St. Vincent De Paul Society. The money was raised at a mojaka (Finnish stew) dinner held at the church on St. Urho's Day, March 16th.

and Mrs. Walt Beaman, McIntosh, Minn. As a child she lived in Ecuador for four years while her parents were missionaries there.

Miss Beaman was employed in the AFLC office prior to being named head bookkeeper.



helping old Brooklyn

You are aware that when Jesus lived among people on this earth they had to decide what to do with Him. Jesus is that kind of person. He cannot be ignored. Though He wasn't an educated person, He was one who always got to the heart of matters. He got to what life is all about, and how people ought to live it. The way He taught was perfect, calling people from selfishness and pride, to humkindness. bleness and brotherly Further, He taught people that He was a unique person, sent by God to lead the human race in the right way. But Jesus' contemporaries were not ready for Him. In fact, it seems that no generation since has been ready for Him.

Perhaps that tells us something about ourselves as a race of people. Jesus' contemporaries were not ready for Him, so they crucified Him. In dying, He became the world's sinbearer. Through Him, on the cross, God dealt judicially with all the world's sin. Jesus had said He had come to give His life a ransom for many. He did this so the world would have another opportunity to be at peace with God. He took man's judgment so man would not be judged.

Now Jesus stands again in the world calling people to join themselves to Him, to live in humbleness, trust, thankfulneess and brotherly kindness. That brings us back to Old Brooklyn (your community) and what her people should do with Jesus. She needs what He offered to the world many years ago. She needs people who will live in humbleness and trust in what He has done for them. She needs people who will make Him their Savior and live in thankfulness and brotherly kindness. But our community cannot have that until she is willing to let Him be her Lord also. Therefore, the familiar question of many years ago still is being asked today. It is Pilate's question.

It is, "What shall we do with Jesus?" Our community cannot be neutral on this question. She must receive Him or repeat the mistake of that former generation and community. If she will not receive him, she must join in with those who cried out, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" In doing that she seals her doom. She joins all those who have chosen to continue on the well-worn path of self-will. We pray that our community will see the truth regarding this matter, and choose the better way.

We must put the same question in a more personal form. It is right that we do this, for every response to the Savior must be a personal one. God does not save societies, but, rather, He saves individual people. Better people make better societies. The question personalized is, "What will you do with Jesus." What have you done with Him in the past? What will you do with him from now on? You will have to do something with Him, for even though they crucified Him, He is risen, and He is coming again. Then every person must have his meeting with Him. He said that all judgment had been committed to Him, John 5:22. What will that meeting be like for you? We encourage you to think seriously about that.

—Pastor Emerson Anderson Clevleand, Ohio Old Brooklyn is an area in Cleve-

(Old Brooklyn is an area in Cleveland.)

#### TEACHING POSITION

An elementary education teaching position, grades 1 and 2, is open at St. Paul's Academy in Cloquet, Minn. If interested, please contact Principal Doug Beise, 218-879-2536, or send resume to St. Paul's Academy, 18th and Wilson Ave., Cloquet, Minn. 55720.

## Personalities

The address of Rev. Norman Tenneboe, pastor in Park River, N. Dak. 58270, is Rt. 1, Box 132.

And for **Rev. John Mundfrom**, newly ordained, it is Box 158, Eben Jct., Mich. 49825.

Rev. Herbert Franz, Cloquet, Minn., was a guest speaker at special meetings in Emmanual Lutheran Church, Aspelund, Minn., Nov. 8-11, 1984. Rev. Allen Munson, spoke at meetings in Hauge Lutheran Church, Kenyon, Minn., April 7-11. Rev. Steve Kneeland is the pastor of these two congregations.

## In memoriam

Key: The name of the town is the address of the deceased. Following that is listed the name of the deceased, age, date of death and the church in which he or she held membership.

**MINNESOTA** 

Roseau

Emma J. Torgerson, 71, Apr. 17, Rose

Alfred Edwardson, 86, Apr. 19, Rose

Come, O come, Thou quick'ning Spirit
Thou forever art divine; . . .

Grant my mind and my affections Wisdom, counsel, purity, That I may be ever seeking Naught but that which pleases Thee, Let Thy knowledge spread and grow, And all error overthrow . . .

Come ,O come Thou quick'ning Spirit, . . .

—Heinrich Held from Concordia #231

## 23rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF FREE LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS

Association Retreat Center Osceola, Wisconsin June 12-16, 1985

Theme: "Strong and Courageous for the Lord" (II Samuel 10:12)

#### THE PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 12

9:00 a.m. The Conference Committees meet for devotions, instructions and room assignments.

8:00 p.m. The opening service of the Conference, with the sermon on the text by Rev. David Barnhart, Minneapolis, Minn. Leader: Rev. Harris Van Someren, Mason, Wis. The opening of the Conference and the appointment of necessary committees by Pastor Richard Snipstead, President.

Offering. Home Missions

Thursday, June 13

9:00 a.m. Devotions.

Report of the Credentials Committee.

Adoption of the Conference agenda.

The President's Report.

Report of the Chairman of the Co-ordinating Committee, Rev. Ronald Knutson, Ferndale, Wash

Report of the Business Administrator, Mr. Ernest Miedema, Valley City, N. Dak.

Report of the Director of the ARC, Mr. Robert Dietsche, Osceola, Wis.

Financial Report, Miss Debbie Beaman, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Family Bible Camps:

Osceola

Lake Bronson

Lake Park (Wilderness Camp)

Report of the Budget Analysis Committee. Report of the Nominating Committee, always

in order.

Election of nominees for the Missions Corporation and the Schools Corporation.

Report of Committee No. 1 (Adminstration).

11:30 a.m. Prayer Hour. Rev. Norman Tenneboe, Park River, N. Dak.

2:00 p.m. Devotions.

Report of the Credentials Committee.

Elections:

Vice-President — 1-year term.

Secretary — 1-year term

Selection of nominees to the Missions Committees and Board of Trustees.

Continuing discussion of Committee No. 1 Resolutions.

Election of nominee to the Co-ordinating Committee.

Election of Committee No. 1 for the 1986 Conference.

Report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Rev. Michael Brandt, Amery, Wis. Report of the Dean of the Seminary, Rev. Francis Monseth, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Acting Dean of the Bible School, Rev. Donald Greven, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the AFLBS Alumni Association, Mrs. John Schlenk, Minneapolis, Minn. Report of Committee No. 2 (Schools).

The election of a dean for the Bible School.

5:30 p.m. The Schools Corporation Annual Meeting.

8:00 p.m. The Mission Festival Service of the Women's Missionary Federation annual convention, Rev. Charles Knapp, Karlstad, Minn., speaker.

Friday, June 14

7:00 a.m. The Missions Corporation Annual Meeting.

9:00 a.m. Devotions.

Report of the Credentials Committee.

Continuing discussion of Committee No. 2 Resolutions.

Election of Committee No. 2 for the 1986 Conference.

Report of the Schools Corporation Annual Meeting.

Report of the Director of World Missions, Rev. Eugene Enderlein, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Chairman of the Home Missions Committee, Rev. David Molstre, Dickinson, N. Dak.

Report of the Director of Home Missions, Rev. Elden Nelson, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Chairman of the Commission on Evangelism, Lay Pastor Verle Dean, Sedan, Minn.

Report of the AFLC Evangelist, Rev. Kenneth Pentti, Ishpeming, Mich.

Report of Committee No. 3 (Missions).

11:30 a.m. Prayer Hour — Pastor Tenneboe.

2:00 p.m. Devotions.

Report of the Credentials Committee.

Continuing discussion of Committee No. 3 Resolutions.

Report of the Missions Corporation Annual Meeting.

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#### Men needed

Men are needed to help build a church in Burnsville, Minn. for Minnesota Valley congregation.

There will be a work bee June 10-12 to erect walls and roof and do sheathing.

Meals and lodging will be provided. Contact Pastor Richard Anderson 612-432-8277.

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5:30 p.m. Pastors' Banquet.

8:00 p.m. Laymen's Service. Leader: Mr. Bernard Nelson, Atlantic Mine, Mich. Speaker: Dr. Lyle

Mattson, Milbank, S. Dak.

Offering: World Missions

Saturday, June 15

9:00 a.m. Devotions.

Continuing discussion of Committee No. 3 Resolutions.

Election of members to the Commission on Evangelism.

Election of Committee No. 3 for the 1986 Conference.

Report of the Chairman of the Board of Publications and Parish Education, Rev. Ralph Tjelta, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Executive Secretary of Parish Education, Mrs. Phillip Regnier, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Chairman of the Youth Board, Rev. Paul Nash, Tioga, N. Dak.

Report of the President of the Luther League Federation, Rev. Curtis Emerson, Valley City, N. Dak.

Report of Committee No. 4 (Publications, Parish Education, Youth Work).

11:30 a.m. Prayer Hour — Pastor Tenneboe.

2:00 p.m. Devotions.

Report of the Credentials Committee.

Report of the Colloquy Committee.

Election of members to the Board of Publications and Parish Education and Youth Board.

Report of the Chairman of the Stewardship Board, Rev. Robert L. Lee, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of the Chairman of the Board of Pensions, Mr. Norman Haugen, Murdock Minn. Report of Committee No. 5 (Stewardship and

Pensions).

Election of members to the Stewardship Board and Board of Pensions.

Election of Committee No. 5 for the 1986 Conference.

Report of special committees, if any.

Election of members to the Budget Analysis Committee.

Report of Committee No. 1 as the Committee on General Resolutions.

Invitations for the 1986 Conference.

8:00 p.m. Youth Night at the Conference.

Leader: Rev. Curtis Emerson, Valley City, N. Dak.

Speaker: Rev. Paul Nash, Tioga, N. Dak. Offering: Praise Program

Sunday, June 16

8:00 a.m. Communion Service.

Leader: Rev. Del Palmer, Everett, Wash. Speaker: Rev. Philip Haugen, Minneapolis, Minn.

10:30 a.m. Ordination and Commissioning Service. Leader: Rev. Amos Dyrud, Chairman of the World Missions Committee. Speaker: Rev. Ronald Knutson, Ferndale, Wash. Offering: General Fund

2:30 p.m. Service of Praise. Leader: Rev. David Skordahl, Pipestone, Minn.

Speaker: Rev. Bruce Dalager, Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Offering: Schools

Conference Committee Pastor R. Snipstead, President Pastor Bruce Dalager, Secretary