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The Easter Call!

The most glorious time of the year is approaching when nature puts on a new garb and when new life is manifested everywhere. It is the resurrection time of the world; it is the time when we feel it is good to be alive. The signs of new life all about us not only remind us of our own immortality but they inspire us even now to arise from our lethargy of indifference and inactivity to a new and useful life. The risen Jesus is a challenge to us to be up and doing.

"He is risen, He is not here," this was the message of that first Easter morn and it has become the foundation of our hope, the cause of great rejoicing. Only at the empty tomb in the garden can we understand the words of the Master: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet he shall live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

That we may better appreciate the Master's resurrection and promise it holds for us, we have arranged for special services. An **English sun-rise service** will be held at 7:00 A. M. and a **German service** at 10:00 A. M. We cordially invite our members to bring their friends to these services. The **Lord's Supper** will be served at both services to those who desire to partake thereof.

At this happy season, we generally bring a **thank offering** to our God for all the wonderful gifts He gives us and especially for His Son, who gave His life for us. May we ask all those who have the welfare of Bethany at heart to remember this offering in their usual generous way. Kindly use the enclosed **Easter Envelope** so that your gift can be acknowledged.

Holy Week will be observed with special German services and celebration of Holy Communion on Maunday Thursday evening at 7:45 P. M. On **Good Friday** from 1:00 to 2:45 P. M. special services will be conducted in our church and we invite everyone to attend these services.

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SERVICES

9:00 A. M.—Sunday School.
10:00 A. M.—English Service.
11:00 A. M.—German Service.

You are most cordially invited.

NEW ADDRESSES

Those who have moved in the past few weeks or are contemplating moving will do the church office a great favor by leaving their change of address at Secretary's desk.

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Our Bulletin is published in the interest of our church. Our slogan is, "Free of Ads". Donations to help meet the running expenses are gladly received and will be acknowledged.

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Church Calendar

Sunday, March 20—Palm Sunday:

10:00 A. M. — Confirmation Service
and Celebration of Holy Communion.

Maunder Thursday, March 24:

7:45 P. M.—German Lenten Service
with Celebration of Holy Communion

Good Friday, March 25:

1:00 to 3:00 P. M.—Combined Service
in English and German.

Easter Sunday, March 27:

7:00 A. M.—Easter Services in English
with Communion Service.

8:00 A. M.—Sunday School.

10:00 A. M.—German Services with
Communion Service.

Saturday, April 2:

9:00 A. M.—Confirmation Class.

Sunday, April 3:

Regular Services.

Tuesday, April 5:

8:00 P. M.—Church Council.

Wednesday, April 6:

1:00 P. M.—Ladies' Aid.

Sunday, April 10:

Regular Services.

Wednesday, April 13:

Party sponsored by Ladies' Aid at
Grosse Pointe Furniture Co.

8:00 P. M.—Brotherhood.

Thursday, April 14:

8:00 P. M.—Young People's League.

Sunday, April 17:

The usual services.

Sunday, April 24:

Regular Services.

The Easter Offering

Holy Week is a time in which to deny yourself some distinct pleasure and put the price of that pleasure in the EASTER ENVELOPE and bring it to the services on Easter Day.

In connection with our Easter services our people have annually brought a special offering of praise. The purpose of this offering is to strengthen the work of the church so that we may continue to bear witness to that hope which centers about the Easter message. Our church has been liberal in the past years in its expression of gratitude at Easter time and we look forward to a large offering this year.

Be sincere—ask yourself if your offering is a real sacrifice—let this be a real Easter.

Brotherhood

The members of the Brotherhood met for a short business session after the Lenten services on March 9th, and routine business was transacted. The revised constitution was also read for the first time. We were also able to welcome two new members into the Brotherhood - George Schonle and George Schemansky. The next meeting is to be a social affair and all members are urged to keep this date in mind - Wednesday, April 13th.

Items of Interest

On Sunday Feb. 14th, it was our privilege to have the annual service of our Deaconess Hospital at our church. The Rev. J. L. Ernst and W. Breitenbach delivered the sermons and the Rev. E. Schmidt and Rev. C. C. Haag spoke briefly. We were pleased to see such a large and attentive audience and we are grateful for the offering of \$127.00 which could be given to the Hospital. At the annual meeting of the hospital both Mr. Wm. Lutz and the pastor were re-elected as members of the Board of Directors.

We would take this opportunity to express our gratitude to everyone who in anyway helped to make our Father and Son Banquet such a success. The attendance was beyond our expectations and the well prepared dinner, as well as the fine program, could not be improved upon.

Having seen the necessity of a new sink in the kitchen of the parsonage for some time, a group of ladies under the leadership of Mrs. Blome and Mrs. Ehms have raised enough funds to have this sink installed. We are grateful to all who made this most necessary improvement possible.

In former years many friends have placed flowers on the altar at our Easter Services. There is no more beautiful service than glorifying the Easter services with flowers, given in the name of the triumphant dead. May we ask the friends who wish to have the privilege of providing flowers for the Easter services to call the pastor. If desired, the flowers, after being used in church, will be sent to the sick in the parish.

At the last meeting of the Church Council it was decided that as a measure of economy during this period of depression our Bulletin would not be issued every month. We hope that our finances will permit us to publish our Bulletin at least every other month.

On the last Sunday of January as we were ready for church services a fire

broke out at the parsonage, caused by sparks from a neighboring chimney. What threatened to develop into quite a disastrous fire was however confined to the roof and attic due to the prompt response of the fire department. The loss was covered by insurance.

Young People's League

The February and March meeting of the League were well attended and it has been decided to present the play, "An Early Bird," if possible, during the last week of April.

The members of the cast have been busy rehearsing their parts and we are sure that they will please you again this year as they did on their first appearance about a year ago. Definite information as to the exact date and price of admission will reach you at a latter date.

Bethany Women's Union

The Bethany Ladies met for their regular monthly meetings on February 3rd and March 2nd. A very tasty lunch was served in February by Mesdames Broluska, Waldon, Kalz, Jennings, Schuh, Neisch and Ludwig. In March, the lunch was served by Mesdames Detting, Vollwerth, Streng, Ruppel, Hollstein, Mertens, Kirsch and Sophia Lutz.

The attendance at the birthday table was larger than usual. The following members observed their birthdays during the last two months: Rev. E. Mayer, Mrs. L. Hess, Mrs. E. Lang, Mrs. M. Killian, Mrs. E. Schuetzler, Mrs. G. Bartling, Mrs. H. Henzler, Mrs. E. Stecker, and Mrs. Anna Bartling. A very interesting and timely article from our own "Evangelical Herald" entitled "Epiphany and the Church," was read by Mrs. C. Schumann.

At the March meeting Rev. E. Mayer gave an interesting talk on the Pioneers of our Evangelical Church in America.

We wish to call your attention at this time to a party to be held by our

ladies at the Grosse Pointe Furniture Co., April 13, 1932. We hope that each and every one of the members of our Women's Union will exert themselves to make this party a financial success. If you have no tickets yet, Mrs. Schumann will be glad to supply you with them.

Can we have your subscription or renewal for the McCall Magazine? Every lady enjoys this popular magazine and our organization wishes to take care of your subscription.

Do you know that we have a fresh supply of metal sponges and also some vanilla extract?

The Bake Sale held in connection with our February meeting was very gratifying.

CHARLOTTE SCHUMANN.

Altar Flowers

We gratefully acknowledge the following floral offerings placed on altar during the past weeks:

In memory of her husband—Mrs. P. Laube.

In memory of Mrs. Schram.

In memory of her husband—Mrs. E. Grode.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bartling, for their wedding anniversary.

Parish Record

BAPTISM

Schley, Gerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schley; born November 29, 1931, and baptized February 9, 1932. Sponsor: Alben Klinger.

WEDDING

On February 6, 1932, **Ronald Peltier** and **Lenora Krause** were united in holy wedlock. Norman Krause and Eleanore Killian were the attendants.

FUNERALS

Stahl, Frederick T., died on February 14 at the age of 87 years. Burial on February 16 at Elmwood Cemetery.

Engel, Mildred, died on March 1, at the age of 52 years. Burial on March 4 at Lutheran Cemetery.

Kahl, Edward, died on March 6 at the age of 51 years. Burial on March 9 at Woodmere Cemetery.

Rieder, Henry, died on March 7 at the age of 84 years. Burial on March 11 at Elmwood Cemetery.