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At a meeting of the United Synod in Wilmington, action was taken advising that efforts be made to secure a more adequate support for our Ministry. This recommendation was approved by the Tennessee Synod at its Convention last September, and the duty of devising plans for carrying the recommendation into effect was placed upon the President. Consequently upon his presentation of the matter to the Catawba Pastoral Association the following plan for holding Special Services in all our Churches for the presentation of the matter to the people was approved and the schedule arranged for meetings is as follows:

PASTORATE	CHURCHES	DATE AND HOUR (Month of July)	PASTOR	LAYMEN
TRINITY	Trinity	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. A. Deaton	A. M. Corpening
	Cedar Grove	1st Sunday 3 p. m.	W. A. Deaton	A. M Corpening
	David's Chapel	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	W. D. Wise	H. P. Lutz
	Sardis	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. D. Wise	H. P. Lutz
ST. JAMES	St. James	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	J. A. Yount	J. H. C. Hewitt
	Ebenezer	1st Sunday, 3 p. m.	J. A. Yount	J. H. C. Hewitt
	St. Pauls	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	E. J. Sox	H. L. Arndt
ST. ANDREWS	St. Andrews	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	V. L. Fulmer	J. A. Moretz
WEST HICKORY	Bethany	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	E. J. Sox	E. L. Moose
	Mt. Hebron	1st Sunday, 3 p. m.	E. J. Sox	E. L. Moose
	St. Matthews	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	N. D. Yount	C. V. Cline
	Shiloh	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	N. D. Yount	C. V. Cline
ZION	Zion	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. D. Wise	C. E. Smyre
	Bethlehem	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	D. L. Miller	S. E. Lutz
	New Jerusalem	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	D. L. Miller	S. E. Lutz
NEWTON	Betheden	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. J. Boger	W. E. Kuhn
	St. Timothy	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. A. Deaton	Lester Miller
MAIDEN	St. Martins	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	F. L. Conrad	J. H. C. Hewitt
	Luther's Chapel	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	F. L. Conrad	J. H. C. Hewitt
	Salem	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. D. Haltiwanger	S. E. Lutz
LENOIR	St. Stephens	1st Sunday, 8:30 p. m.	D. L. Miller	A. L. Moser
	Mt. Zion	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	D. L. Miller	A. L. Moser
	Trinity	1st Sunday, 3 p. m.	D. L. Miller	A. L. Moser
ST. PETER'S	Friendship	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. D. Haltiwanger	A. L. Moser
	St. Johns	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	W. D. Haltiwanger	A. L. Moser
	St. Johns (Hud)	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	W. J. Boger	Lester Moretz
	Philadelphia	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. J. Roof	J. A. Moretz
	St. Lukes—St. Peters	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	J. J. Bickley	H. L. Arndt
WATAUGA		1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	W. J. Roof	Lester Miller
		2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	J. A. Yount	W. E. Kuhn
ST. STEPHENS	Mt. Olive	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	V. L. Fulmer	J. T. Miller
	St. Stephens	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	N. D. Yount	H. P. Lutz
HOLY TRINITY	Holy Trinity	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	J. C. Peery	J. C. Sigmon
CLAREMONT	Salem	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	W J. Boger	J. C. Sigmon
	Mt. Calvary	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	F. L. Conrad	J. T. Miller
IREDELL	St. Martins	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	A. R. Beck	M. P. F. Troutman
	Sharon	2nd Sunday, 11 a. m.	J. J. Bickley	M. P. F. Troutman
	Mt. Herman	2nd Sunday, 3 p. m.	J. J. Bickley	M. P. F. Troutman
STATESVILLE	St. Johns	1st Sunday, 11 a. m.	F. C. Longaker	V. C. Cline

A. R. BECK, President of Synod

Mt. Olive—St. Stephen's Pastorate

Mt. Olive
St. Stephen's
Rev. E. J. Sox, Pastor
Hickory, N. C.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found a schedule of appointments that will take the pastors away from his pulpit on the first and second Sundays of July. This arrangement is made by the president of Synod, by order of the Tennessee Synod and the United Synod. While he is away his pulpit will be filled by some of our brethren who will come upon the authority of Synod to put us in remembrance of our Christian duty to support the Lord's ambassadors, "who labour among us in the Lord."

We are very much pleased with the attendance and interest of our older people in our bible classes in our Sunday schools. It is a blessed thing for children to be engaged in the study of the words and messages of the Lord who loved them and took them in his arms and blessed them. It is no less a blessed and great thing for those whom the Lord has led and guided for many years in the way of peace and happiness to study with great interest and pleasure the words of Him who loved us and gave himself for us. Not quite all our older people are in the Sunday school bible class yet. This is to invite those who have not yet entered to come and go with us in this happy way.

We have presented the cause of Christian Education to our congregations and Sunday schools. Offerings were taken at Mt. Olive the second Sunday of this month for this cause and amounted to $10.57. The offerings of our St. Stephens people will be taken the third Sunday. There is no more important work before our church now than the work of Christian Education and our people need to remember in their prayers and in their benefactions our college and every other department of Christian Education.

Two of our noble young men from Mt. Olive congregation are already in France in answer to their country's call to contend for human liberty for all men. These young men are Ray Seaboch and Homer Yount. Roy Huffman of our St. Stephen congregation is now in Camp Jackson, at Columbia, S. C., in training for a similar service, and the pastor's eldest son is at Hampton Roads, Virginia, in training for service in the navy of our great country with the same end in view. Let us all follow these young men with our earnest prayers that they may be kept by our Heavenly Father from evil and prosper in every good thing, and let us pray too that our Father will give success to the efforts of our country to bring about an early and righteous peace for the good and happiness of all men.

Since our last we have baptised the following:

Edna Elizabeth, daughter of R. D. Hefner and wife Anna.

Charlotte Louise, daughter of D. S. Gilbert and wife Lula.

James Edward, son of T. R. Hefner and wife, Essie.

Bonnie May, daughter of H. W. Hunt and wife Annie.

Ruby May, daughter of A. O. Baker and wife Lottie.

Katherine Aileen, daughter of Junius E. Huffman and wife, Lela.

Ruth May, daughter of L. P. Hatley and wife Claudia.

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Claremont Pastorate
Rev. J. J. Bickley, Pastor

Salem
Mt. Calvary
Claremont, N. C.

Services at Mt. Calvary every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m. Catechetics on Saturdays before the first and third Sundays at 3 p. m.

Services at Salem every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. Sunday school on the same Sundays at 10 a. m. Cathechetics on Saturdays before second and fourth Sundays at 3 p. m.

Before leaving Chicago the writer was in receipt of a communication concerning the work of this pastorate and this communication was quickly followed by conversations with two friends who spoke of Claremont in very high terms. Thus Claremont's good name is advertised over eight hundred miles distant.

After a few weeks rest, May 16th marked our arrival in Claremont. We were met at the station by a number of those with whom we are now laboring as pastor and people. Among those present was one whose acquaintance was both a surprise and a special delight to us.

The writer possessed knowledge of, but had never made the acquaintance of the Rev. J. Allen Arndt of sacred memory, and hence it was a peculiar satisfaction to grasp the hand of his venerable sire, Mr. John Arndt.

While preparing for house keeping we were most kindly entertained in the homes of Mr. R. L. Smyre and Mr. E. L. Moose.

We found the parsonage beautifully located and partly furnished, the garden worked and things planted, and while waiting for our vegetables to grow, we have been furnished many vegetables by our good neighbors. Our pantry has been the objective of many intermittent poundings, somewhat like the German's long gun, but Oh, what a different spirit and with what different results, the one promoted by love to promote life, the other promoted by hate to destroy life.

We held our first service at Mt. Calvary May 19th and at Salem May 26. A good attendance greeted us at both places. Thursday, May 30th the day of humiliation and prayer, we worshipped with the congregation of St. Marks and heard a very excellent sermon by Rev. J. P. Kopelin. At 9 p. m. of the same day we held a similar service at Mt. Calvary. The offerings of the evening amounting to $7.31 were sent to the Red Cross. Many of our people were in attendance at both services. Our homegoing from Mt. Calvary was very much saddened by an automobile accident just off the church grounds, in which two young ladies, Misses Lizzie Moser and Ora Smyre, were injured, the latter so severely that she was rushed immediately to the Lincolnton hospital. Here she was skillfully treated and we learn with delight that she is making rapid recovery and will be home soon. Miss Moser has practically recovered. Dr. D. M. Moser rendered first aid in both cases, and accompanied Miss Smyre to the hospital.

With few exceptions the health of both congregations is fairly good. Mrs. Arma Huit, whose health had given away somewhat is so much improved that she was able to attend service at Mt. Calvary last Sunday.

Mr. W. P. Hunsucker of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., was an appreciative visitor and worshipper at this service also.

Mr. John Hunsucker of Catawba, Misses Ammie and Edna Smyre and Mr. Roy Sipe and sister Miss Ollie of Claremont, motored to Lincolnton last Monday where they were the guests of Miss Ora Smyre. This party kindly transported the writer to and from the Lutheran parsonage in Maiden where he attended the meeting of the Catawba County Pastoral Association as the guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Wise. This was the first opportunity which the writer has had to meet with the Association. He was given a hearty welcome and feels assured that the Association will be very helpful to him.

We entered the ministry with the full realization that it is a man's job and a growing man's job at that. We take absolutely no stock in the false slogan "too old to learn."

There is opportunity here at Claremont to build the walls of Zion, as it is everywhere and we have the unmistakable proof that God has his "seven thousand" here. So we have entered upon the work of sowing and cultivating at the point where it was discontinued by our worthy predecessor, the Rev. W. D. Wise.

We are devoutly thankful to Almighty God for this opportunity to serve in the Christian ministry and for the vision we possess of the church as to the greatness of her sphere, and to the importance attached to her by founder, making her the bride of whom he is the bridegroom.

In closing, I would like to address this question to both pastors and layman. It often happens that one objects to filling a special office or to discharging a special duty when his selection has been the desire of one or more persons properly expressed. Is not this the way God calls to service? Can you deny absolutely that God's voice is not expressed in the deliberations of church bodies? Then if this is God's voice calling to service, the objections are not made to man, but to God. To my mind this is a subject for sober thinking on the part of Christians, not that they are careless and indifferent, but that they do not realize the full scope and extent of man's usefulness, as God's instrument and the use they make of themselves as God's hand turns them about.

Briefly, I express the gratitude of myself and family for the encouragements we have received from both pastors and laymen, and for the material gifts which we are receiving at the parsonage and for assistance rendered us in various other ways. These things make easy some things that were difficulties to us, and because of them any pastor can give himself up more exclusively to the work of his ministry. It is entirely proper therefore to carry these things to the throne of grace and mercy as legitimate subjects for the giving of thanks, not for their personal significance simply, but for the deeper significance that the Lord's work is appreciated, and the congregation expresses itself in certain terms in this and every other way by which it stands by its pastor.

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Trinity Pastorate
Trinity, Cedar Grove
Sardis, David's Chapel.
Rev. D. L. Miller, Pastor
Henry, N. C.

Trinity: Divine services every first Sunday at 2::0 p. m. and every third Sunday 10:30 a. m. Service at Sardis each second Sunday, at Cedar Grove the first Sunday and David's Chapel the fourth Sunday 10:30 a. m. Sunday school an hour before each service except at David's Chapel.

Baptisms: May 12. Shirley Lee, son of Lafayette Greenhill and wife.

May 24. Donnie Louise, daughter of Henry T. Sain and wife, May.

June 2. Howard Glenn, son of Ed. Shidal and wife, Nora.

Funerals: Mrs. Catharine Margaret Bess, wife of Oliver Bess was born July 22, 1882 and departed this life May 23,, 1918, aged 35 years, 10 months and 1 day. In early life she was confirmed in the faith of the Lutheran church and remained faithful until death. She died at Chase City, Va. Her remains were brought to Cedar Grove and laid to rest awaiting the resurrection. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, assisted by Rev. B. D. Wessinger of Cherryville.

Mrs. Effie Josephine Hartsoe, daughter of John Bolinger and wife of P. C. Hartsoe was born Sept. 24, 1878 in Lincoln county, N. C., and died May 2, 1918 making her earthly life 39 years and eight months. She was baptised in infancy and later in life was confirmed in Sardis Evangelical Lutheran church in which sho remained until death. She was married to Mr. P. C. Hartsoe October 5, 1899. This union was blessed with nine children, three girls and six boys. The three girls preceded her to the spirit world. Her infant son was buried the day following her burial, thus there are left to mourn a husband five sons, a father, mother, three brothers and five sisters together with a number of other relatives.

Pauline Elizabeth Gilbert, daughter of John Gilbert and wife was born Oct. 22, 1915 and died June 1st, 1918, aged 2 years, 7 months and 9 days. She was baptised in infancy, March 19, 1916, thus being dedicated to the Lord, who so soon saw fit to remove her from this world. She leaves to mourn a father, mother, and three sisters. "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Lenoir Pastorate
St. Stephen's
Mt. Zion
Trinity
Rev. W. J. Roof, Pastor
Lenoir, N. C.

The work of our pastorate is progressing nicely. Our attendance has not been so well at Lenoir for the past few weeks, but this is largely due to so much sickness in our congregation. Our people are very faithful to their little congregation. The Sunday school here seems to be taking on new life, still there is room for a better attendance. Every member of the church should be a member of the Sunday school, especially in a small struggling congregation like we have at Lenoir.

The debt of the Mission is being paid for as we are able. We would appreciate any help at any time on our debt. This congregation is made up of very fine people, and faithful workers. Our church is making itself felt around Lenoir. The pastor is often called upon to fill very important places in public. We have never been treated better from a social standpoint than we have since coming here. The very best people of the town visit us and we them. This shows that we are not altogether buried. We try to be as brotherly as possible with everybody and this helps out so much in a place like Lenoir.

The pastor preaches every Wednesday night in the homes of the poor people of the town. We have from thirty-five to forty people at each service. Several have expressed a desire to join our church and this privilege will be granted them as soon as we deem it wise. Now the pastor has four appointments ahead for services of this kind, this is real mission work, not the kind we talk about but the kind we are doing. At the services away from Lenoir we are always greeted with a large congregation. I think we as a people have been working on theory long enough, we need to put some things into practice. The Lutheran church has the pure gospel, we have our way of reaching our own children but when it comes to reaching those in the outside world we are deficient and I believe it is because we are too afraid to give people an invitation to accept Christ as their Savior. We preach and let the other fellow reap, now we need to get down to business and tell sinners of their sins and point them to Christ, and if they begin to shed tears don't run for a Methodist preacher but stand your ground and land your penitent in the kingdom of God. We commend all the good people of this work for faithfulness.

LENOIR COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

The 27th annual commencement of Lenoir College opened Saturday night May 18 with the concert by the departments of music and expression. The baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday morning by the Rev. Dr. John W. Horine, editor of the Lutheran Church Visitor, Columbia, S. C. Sunday night the address before the college Luther League and the College Missionary Society was delivered by the Rev. Lester D. Miller, class of 1906, of Mount Pleasant, N. C.

Monday night the musical comedy, "Savageland" was rendered by the choral society of the college.

The graduating exercises were held Tuesday morning at which time the address to the literary societies was delivered by the Hon. O. Max Gardner, lieutenant governor of North Carolina. Thirteen received the A. B. degree. There were two graduates in voice, one in piano ,one in expression, four in shorthand, and two in bookkeeping. The class numbered 26—three having entered the service. Seven young men of the class are preparing for the ministry.

The alumni exercises were held Tuesday evening with a picnic on the campus. Mr. John J. George of Cherryville, was elected president of the Alumni Association. Under his wise and vigorous management greater interest and progress are assured.

The enrollment for the session was 201. In spite of loss of students during the year, due to the war, this has been a good year for the college. The war conditions have hit all the church colleges hard, but the work must go forward. The board has made provision for a full faculty next year and the future is encouraging. Prof. Duke C. Trexler of Greenville, has accepted the chair of mathematics and astronomy for next year and Prof. Herbert C. Miller, superintendent of the Catawba Farm Life school at Newton accepted the chair of education. These young men are thoroughly capable, experienced and enthusiastic teachers, and the college is most fortunate to secure their services.

The following letter has been sent to each of the pastors urging the most hearty and active interest and cooperation of both pastors and people in the drive for 200 students for the college:

"To run, Lenoir College must have students, to get these students, we must have the real help of every one of our pastors. Lenoir College is owned and operated by our Synod and people. It is the chief enterprise of our Synod. It is therefore, every pastor's duty actively and persistently to support the college.

Without Lenoir College our seminary at Columbia could not be maintained. Only 3 per cent of our ministry is secured from the graduates of state supported institutions. To maintain and perpetuate our ministry Lenoir College is an absolute necessity. We must do more than merely pray that the Lord send laborers into His harvest: we must also keep up the agencies by which He sends them. These agencies are our College and Seminary.

We ask that the drive for 300 students be organized and pushed in each congregation after the manner of the soldiers and sailors' fund, or the Red Cross drive. By vigorous effort and whole hearted cooperation the goal can be reached. The war crisis is on! The church colleges are hit hard. Unless our people rally to their rescue they must fail. We have the strength in men and money to take care of our college, to keep her doors open, and to keep her supplied with students and funds.

We suggest that there be a college or student drive committee to organize and press this work. The pastor ought to act as chairman, and associate himself with two live members of the congregation to present the claims of the college to every one of his young people prepared to go to college. Literature and information will be furnished on request, and such other aid rendered by the college as may be necessary to make the drive a success. Congregations should vie with each other to send the largest number of students to Lenoir College, and especially of ministerial students.

We also urge that each pastor arrange for at least one Lenoir College rally in his pastorate during the summer. Members of the faculty stand ready to render every assistance to pastors or committees in arranging for these rallies, and to help to make them pronounced successes.

The crisis is on. Your College calls for your prompt, unstinted help Let us have a line from you at once, telling that you will heartily cooperate with us in this most vital matter."

Next session opens Tuesday, Sept. 3rd.

For further information address R L. Fritz, president, Hickory, N. C.

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Divine services every first and third Sunday morning at eleven o'clock and every Sunday night at 8:30. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45. Mr. S. D. Huitt, superintendent. Luther League every Wednesday night at 8:45. To all our services you are cordially invited.

Our pastor and his family left on May 27 for a visit to his parents in South Carolina and in his absence the congregation had the pleasure of hearing two most excellent sermons delivered by Rev. Carroll Yount who just finished the seminary this year.

On the 22nd of June we re-organized our Luther League and elected new officers and hope to accomplish better work in the future than we have in the past. There is a work for every one of us to do in the Lord's kingdom here on eath, and the Luther League is a good place where we can do a part of this work.

The attendance at church and Sunday school has been good during these months. At our spring communion service the number that communed was above the average. This is due to the faithful and hard work of our pastor.

We should all be thankful of the opportunity we have to go to the house of the Lord and worship Him with prayer and songs of praise.

There are thousands of our boys today over there in the trenches fighting for freedom that do not have this opportunity. Then why should we not be thankful for these opportunities and attend regular and pray for our boys that they may come out victorious and always ask the Lord to bless them in this awful struggle.

HAROLD YOUNT, Reporter.

Deaths: George F. Thornburg was born Jan. 12, 1851 and died at the age of 67 years, 4 months and 15 days. He was a life long member of the Lutheran church and in the last hours of trial his faith did not fail or falter. When death was starring him in the face he refused to take the holy communion from a minister of another denomination. He knew the true teachings of God's holy word and would not receive it as a mere emblem. He longed for the true bread, and on account of the absence of his pastor. He did not receive it. But great was his faith and we firmly believe that he now enjoys the Peace of Christ in Heaven. He have the promise, "That whosoever believeth in Him (Christ), should not perish but have eternal life.

He was married twice, first to Miss Fannie Hoke in 1874. There were born unto them six children, two boys and four girls. On February 16, 1897 he married Miss Martha Davidson. They were blessed with nine children, 4 boys and 5 girls.

One son preceded him to the spirit land just 16 months. He leaves two brothers, 2 sisters, a wife, 14 children, 23 grand children, together with a large circle of other relatives.

The funeral service was held at his home in Newton the day following his death, and the body was buried beside his son in Eastview cemetery. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Effie Josephine, wife of P. C. Hartsoe, was born in Lincoln county, September 24, 1878 and died in Newton May 24, 1918. She was a member of Sardis E. L. church, where her body was buried on Sunday morning. She leaves a husband, three brothers, 5 sisters, five sons. Three daughters preceded her and one son died Sunday night following her death.

The funeral service was held by her pastor and the body buried beside her children at Sardis.

Clyde Bollinger, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Hartsoe was born May 17, 1918 and died May 26, 1918, making his life only nine days. He was dedicated to God by the rite of Holy Baptism, thus made a child of God, and put on Christ, who said suffer the little ones to come unto me. The body was tenderly laid to rest Monday evening beside his mother at Sardis church.

V. L. FULMER, Pastor.

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