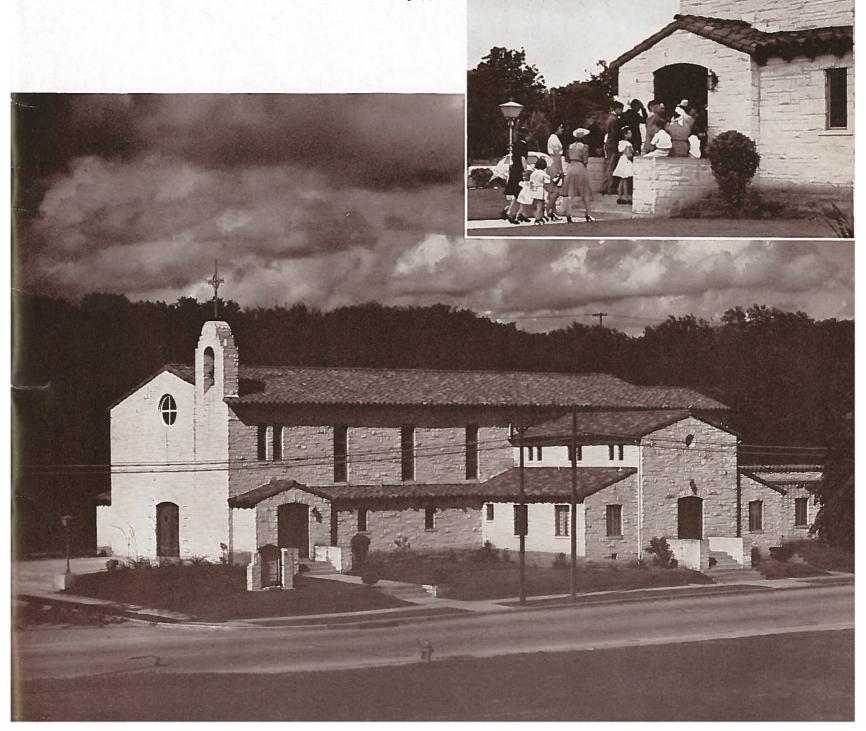


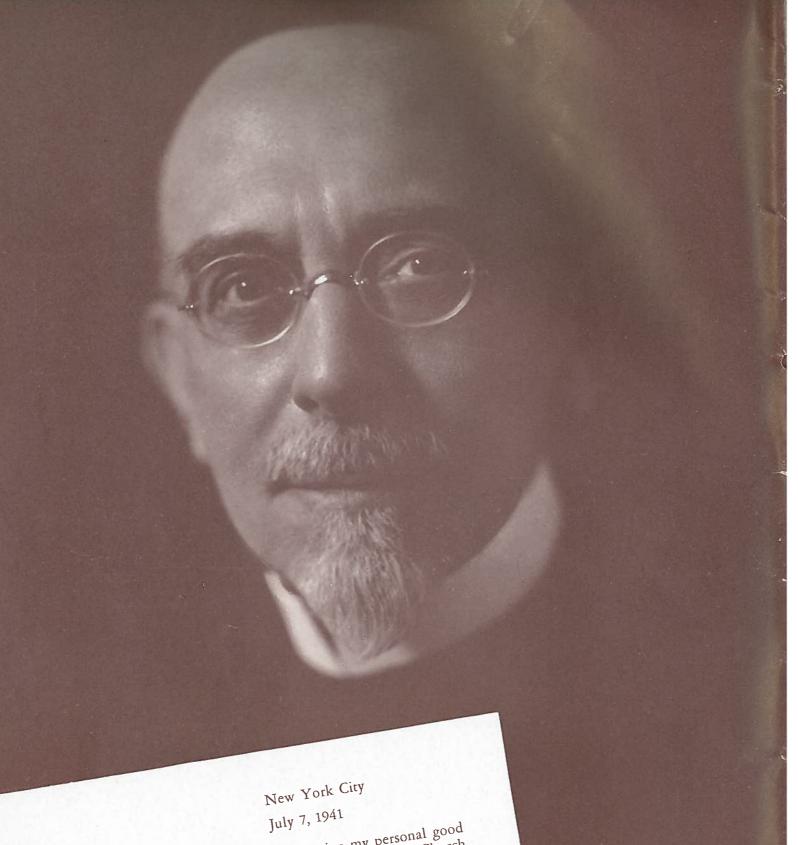


IN these pages we present evidence of the increase which God unfailingly gives to every undertaking planted in faith and watered with sacrificial devotion. In these five years the word of God has caused the number of the disciples to multiply at the rate of one hundred a year. We celebrate our fifth anniversary humbly and thankfully. If there be any boast let it be made in the words of the Psalmist:

"My soul shall make her boast in the Lord, and the humble shall hear thereof and be glad."

—Psalm 34:2





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(Signed) F. H. KNUBEL

President of the United Lutheran Church in America.



"Hitherto Hath the Lord Helped Us"

—1 Samuel 7:12



The history of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Austin, Texas, is a modern chapter in "The Acts of the Apostles". Through the life and labors of our congregation the Holy Spirit continues to make effectual the redemptive work of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The decision to establish a congregation of the United Lutheran Church in America in Austin was reached after a survey of the city had been made in June, 1936. The first meeting of Lutheran unchurched people was held at the University Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening, June 24, 1936. The Rev. Fred W. Kern, then President of the Texas Synod, U.L.C.A., presided. Twenty-six persons signed a request addressed to the synod for an English-speaking congregation.

This request was honored and the first public Service was conducted on Sunday evening, July 12, 1936, in the First Congregational Church. The following Sunday evening, July 19, after the Service in the same church, the congregation was formally organized.

The Board of American Missions granted aid

and requested the Rev. Fred W. Kern, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas, to accept the Call of the newly organized congregation. He accepted the Call and moved to Austin on September 8, 1936.

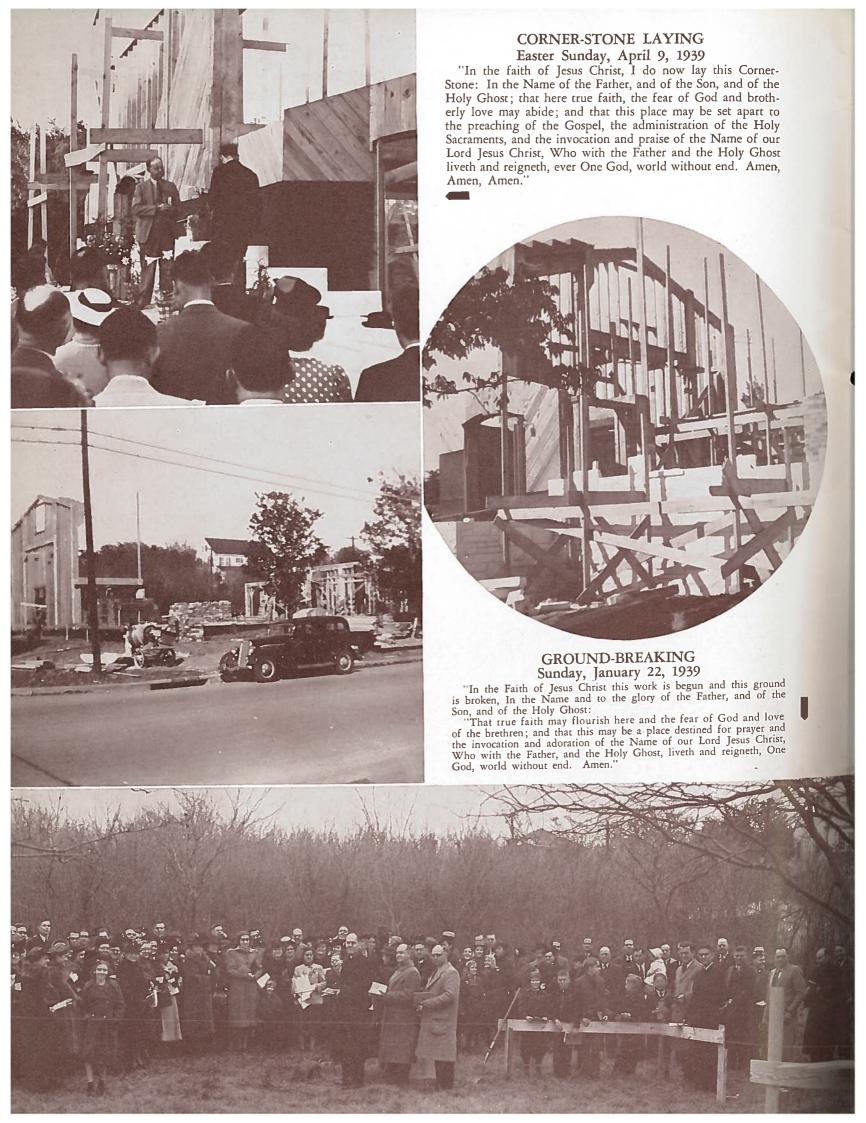
According to the constitution adopted on July 19, 1936, the congregation introduced a new principle of organization. Instead of the traditional mens', women's, and youth organizations the members of the congregation were divided in men's, women's, and youth divisions to which all members belong by virtue of their membership in the congregation.

Already in November, 1936, a building fund was opened. The rapid growth of the congregation made the need of a church home apparent. Three changes in place of worship were necessary to accommodate the growing membership. The last of these, the Seventh Day Adventist Church, had to be enlarged before the new building was ready.

The property at Whitis Avenue and Thirtieth Street was purchased on August 30, 1937. An architect was engaged and plans were under way for a church building. The Board of American Missions approved an Extension Loan on March 13, 1938. The beautiful house of God was dedicated on September 24, 1939.



The Founders





The Means of Grace



God's grace, not the Church, saves souls; but God's grace comes to us through divinely given means. These means are the Word of God and the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion, and these have been committed to and are adminis-

tered by the Church. The redemption which Christ

has accomplished for all men is applied to believing souls by the Holy Spirit through the means of Grace in the Church.

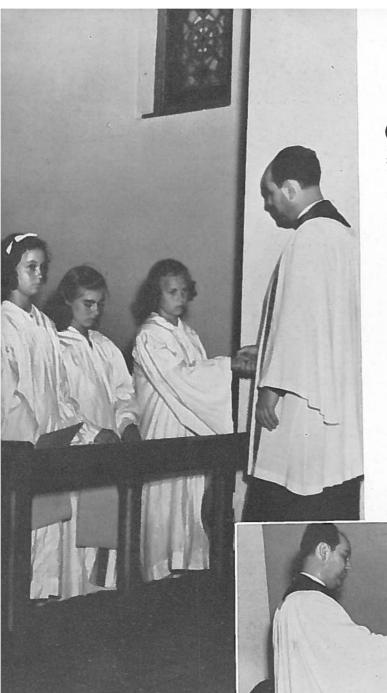
A true Christian life outside of the Church is impossible because it ignores God's plan for salvation. It is through the Word, as the chief Means of Grace, that the Holy Spirit "calls, enlightens, sanctifies, and preserves us in the true faith."

Through Holy Baptism God receives us into His covenant and opens up to us all the treasure of Christ's redemption. Here begins the cycle of the Christian life. Henceforth, unless we turn away from Christ and His Church, we may claim Saint Paul's promise: "Your life is hid with Christ in God."

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

"Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath begotten thee again of water and the Holy Ghost, and hath forgiven thee all thy sin, strengthen thee with His grace unto life everlasting. Amen."





THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION and infant baptism are closely connected. Christ has commanded His Church to teach them "to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Having been instructed in the Word of God and led to a knowledge of His will and of His gracious Gospel the catechumen makes a personal confession of faith in Christ and promises faithfulness to Him. Thereupon all the spiritual privileges of the Church are extended to the confessed Christian.

The Prayer of Blessing

"The Father in Heaven, for Jesus' sake, renew and increase in thee the gift of the Holy Ghost, to thy strengthening in faith, to thy growth in grace, to thy patience in suffering and to the blessed hope of everlasting life."



"Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is thine own It shall be Thy royal throne."

THE HOLY STATE OF MATRIMONY

**FORASMUCH as Marriage is a holy estate, ordained of God, and to be held in honor by all, it becometh those who enter therein to weigh, with reverent minds, what the Word of God teacheth concerning it:

"He which made them at the beginning, said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore, they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."



"Receive this Ring as a token of wedded love and troth."



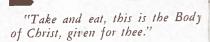
"The Lord God, Who created our first parents and sanctified their union in Marriage: Sanctify and bless you, that ye may please Him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love until life's end.



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LET a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup."—1 Corinthians 11:28.

"O God, our Heavenly Father, I confess unto Thee that I have grievously sinned against Thee in many ways, not only by outward transgression, but also by secret thoughts and desires, which I cannot fully understand, but which are all known unto Thee. I do earnestly repent and am heartily sorry for these my offenses, and I beseech Thee of Thy great goodness to have mercy upon me, and for the sake of Thy dear Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, to forgive my sins, and graciously to help my infirmities. Amen."







"Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of Me."

"After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."



"Take and drink, this is the Blood of the New Testament, shed for thy sins."





THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

"After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall lead them unto living fountains of water and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."—Revelation 7:9, 10, 16, 17.



"For all the saints who from their labors rest. Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest."

The life of the Christian comes to its fulness in death. On this our fifth anniversary we thank Almighty God for the heavenly life granted to seven members of our congregation. Especially do we acknowledge our indebtedness to Him for the lives of three founders who have preceded us into the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

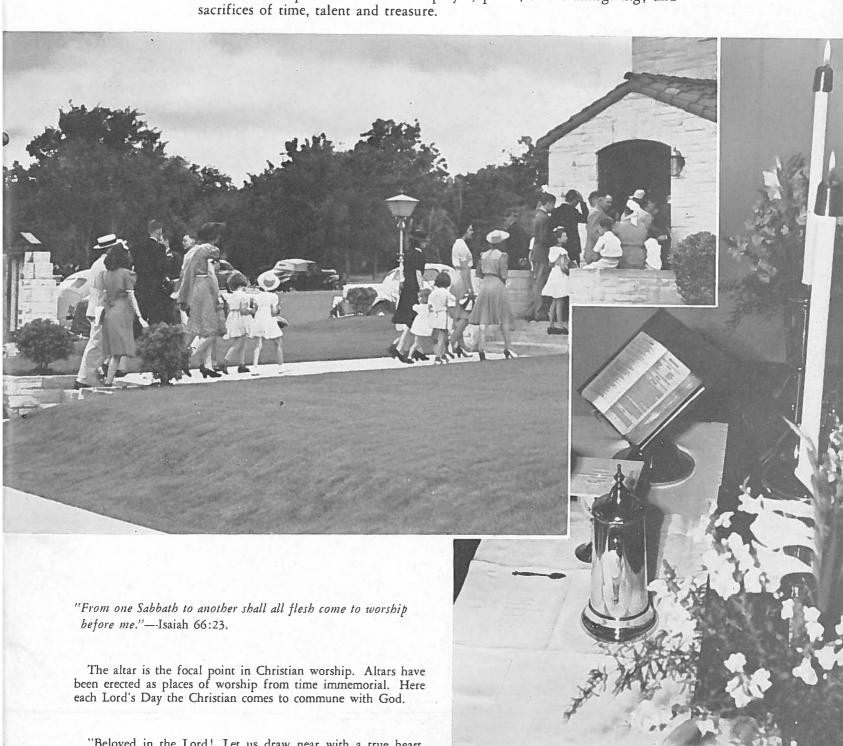
Mrs. Elfreda Mollenhaur Bohls, March 5, 1938. William C. Schulze, February 7, 1939. Edward Rudolph Werner, August 28, 1940.



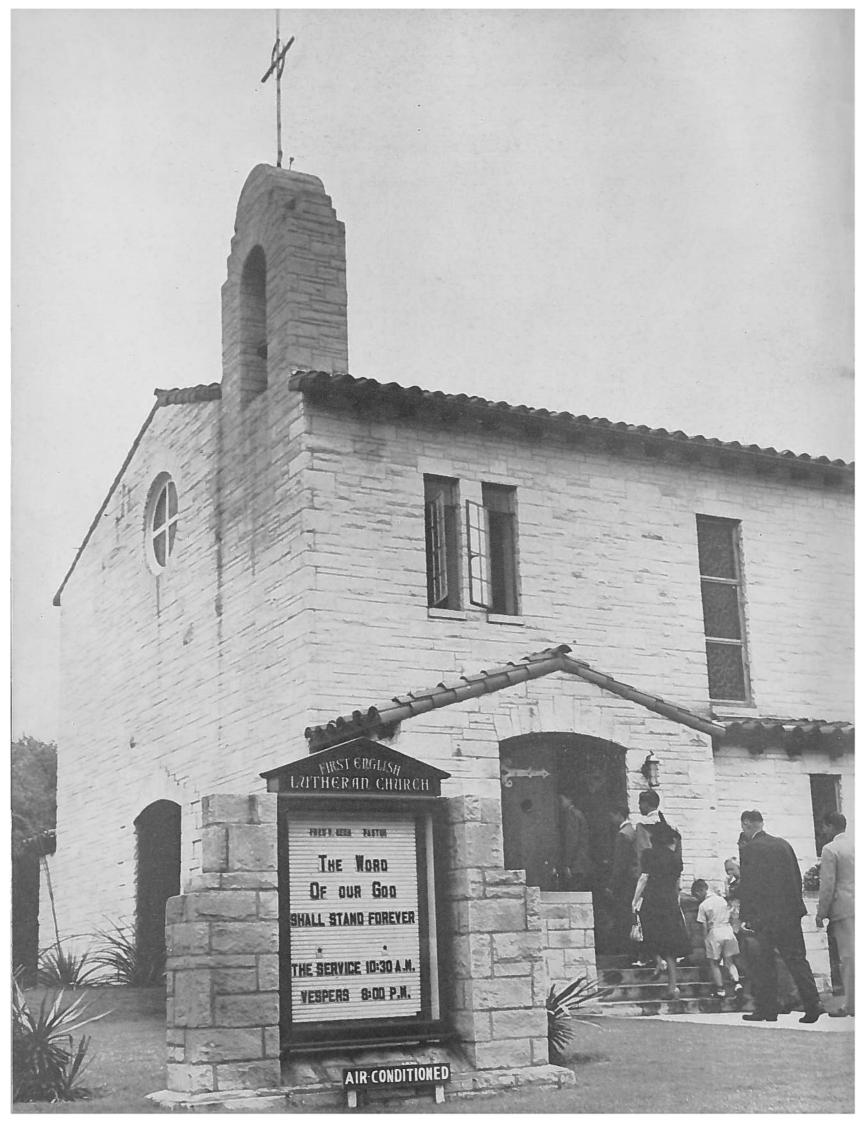
"O Worship the Lord In the Beauty of Holiness"

-Psalm: 96:9

The believing Christian presents himself before his God each Lord's Day with the prayer, "God be merciful to me, a sinner," on his lips. He comes to hear the Word which conveys to him the saving grace of God. He comes also to offer spiritual sacrifices of prayer, praise, and thanksgiving; and sacrifices of time, talent and treasure.



"Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness."





"A day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."—Psalm 84:10.

Sincere Christian friendliness meets the worshipper at the door.

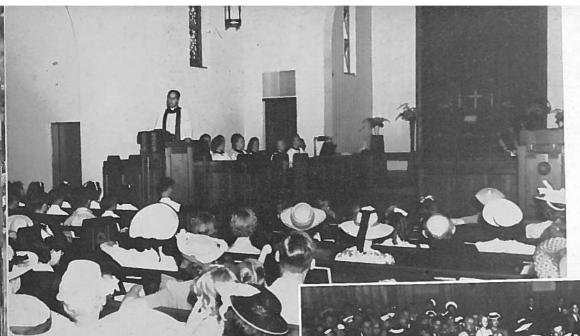
This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it."
—Psalm: 118:24.

Visitors are invited to register. Fifteen to fifty non-members attend each Sunday. We purpose to let them be strangers only once.



Tracts on many subjects for those who take time to read.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashaned"—11 Timothus 2:15



PREACHING THE WORD

"We should so fear and love God as not to despise His Word and the preaching of the Gospel, but deem it holy and willingly hear and learn it."

-Martin Luther

"Let the children all come, Jesus said long ago,
Still He is calling us children we know;
We will learn from His Book.
Talk with Him when we pray,
Trying to be more like Him every day."

—Sister Clara Bailey.

"Receive with meekness, the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

---James: 1:21-22.

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS!

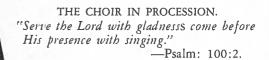
Music is the handmaid of worship. The objective of a Lutheran choir is to beautify and dignify congregational worship. Singing an anthem is a "may", not a "must".

The Common Service of the

The Common Service of the Lutheran Church is not new. It began in the Early Church, developed through the Middle Ages, and was revised and purified at the time of the Reformation.

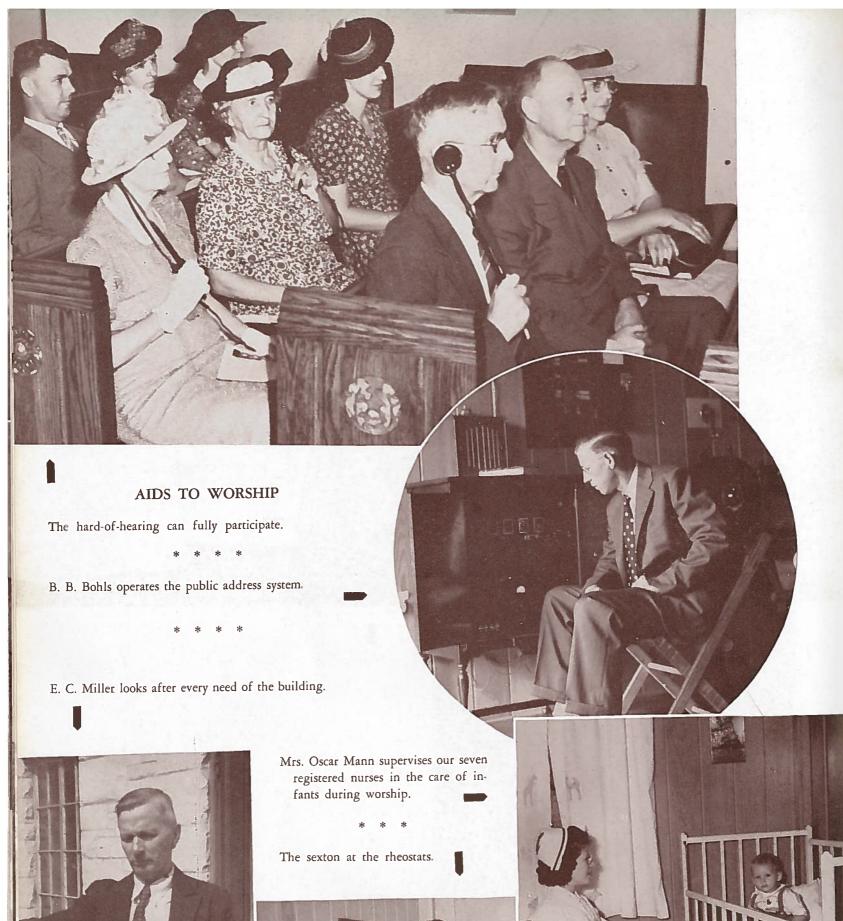


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THE SENIOR CHOIR.







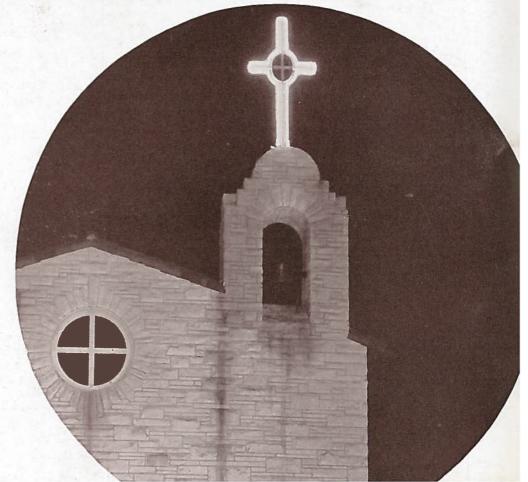


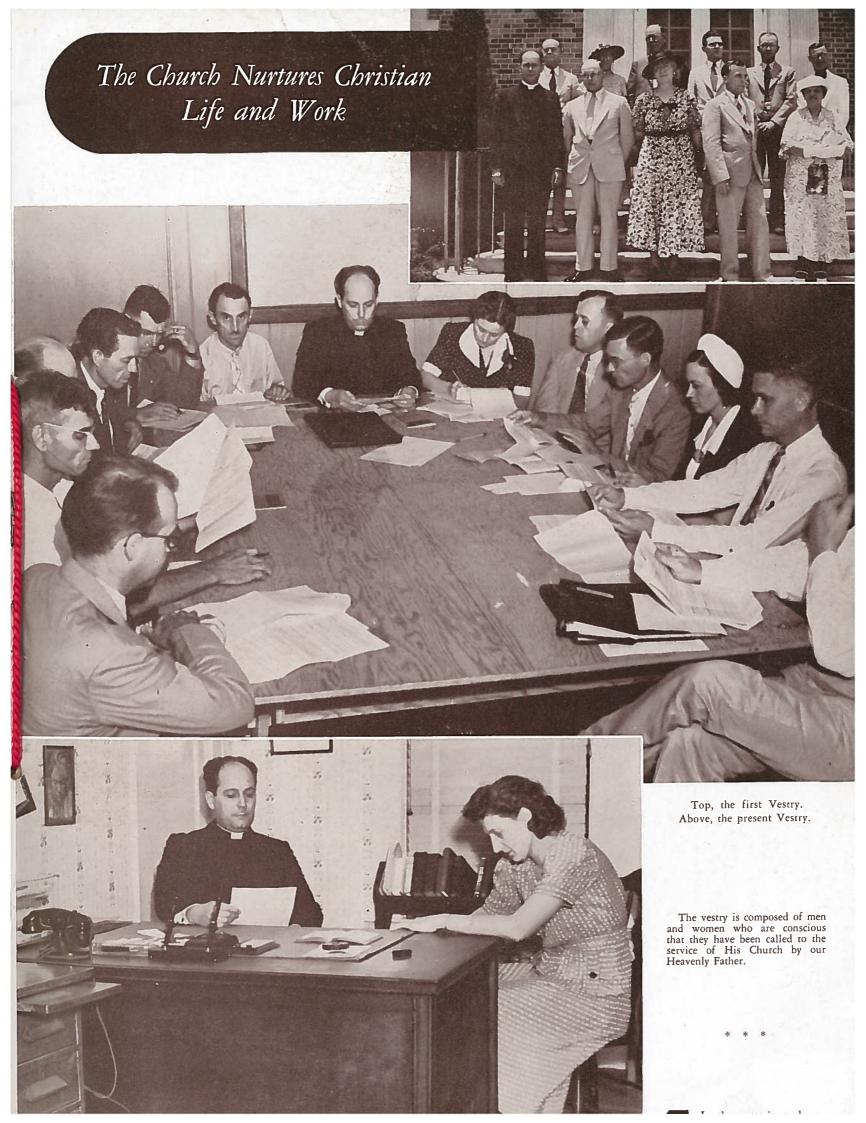


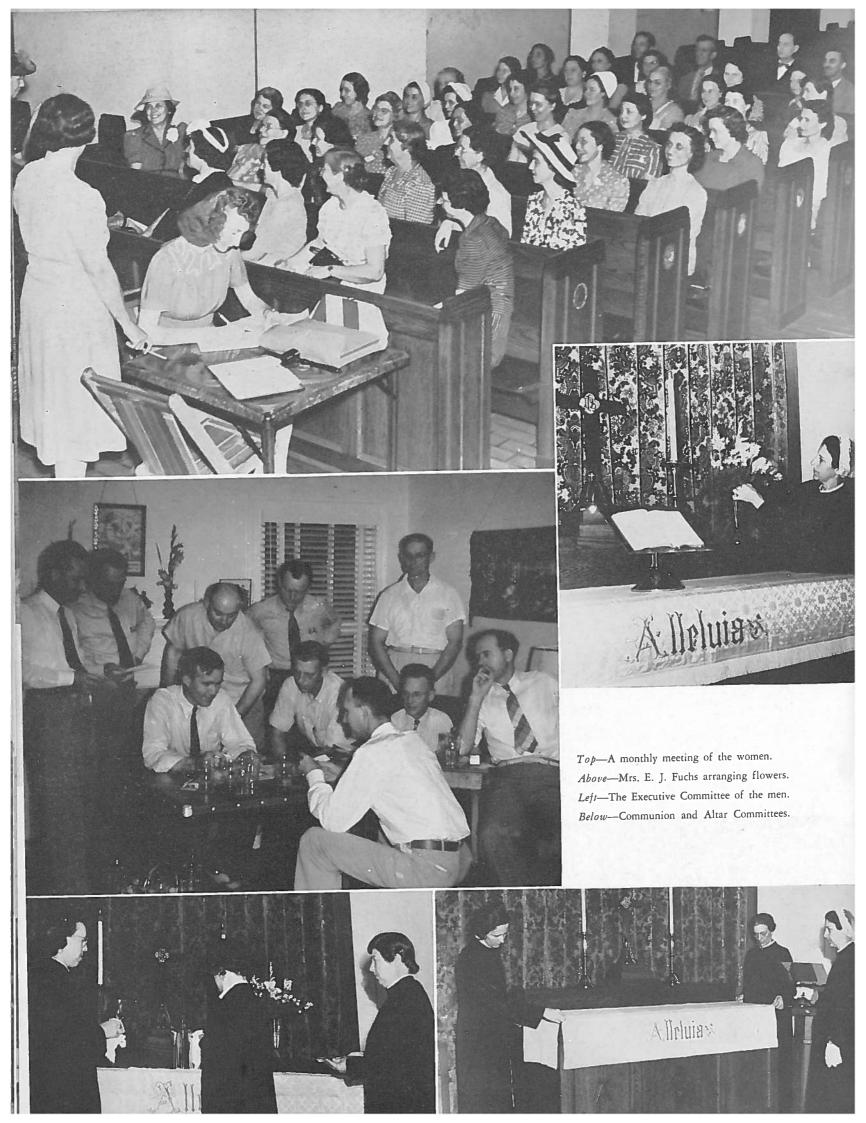
FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE SERVICE

"If after kirk you bide a wee
There's some would like to speak to ye
"If after kirk you rise and flee,
We'll all seem cold and stiff to ye."

THE ELEVATED CROSS AT NIGHT "In the Cross of Christ I glory!"









The Youth Choir.



The Pastor loves to sing with the children.

The Senior Choir.



The Children's Choir.





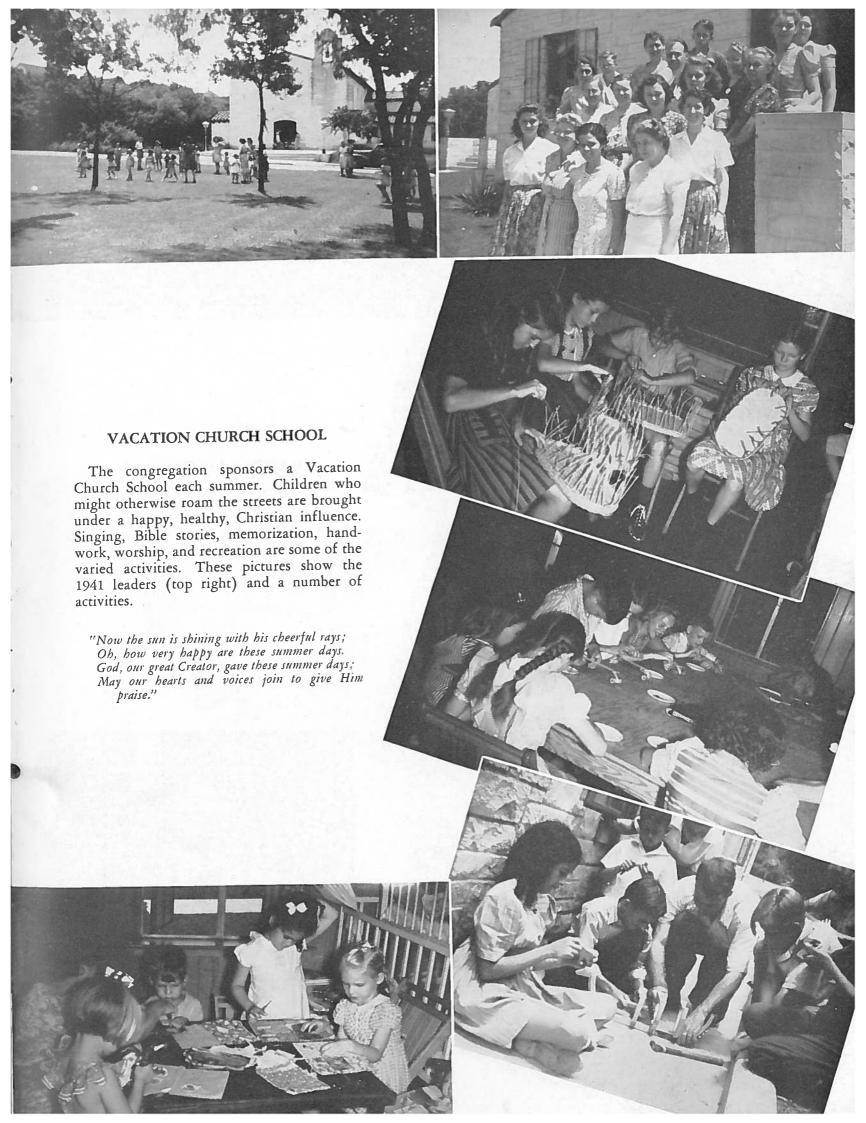


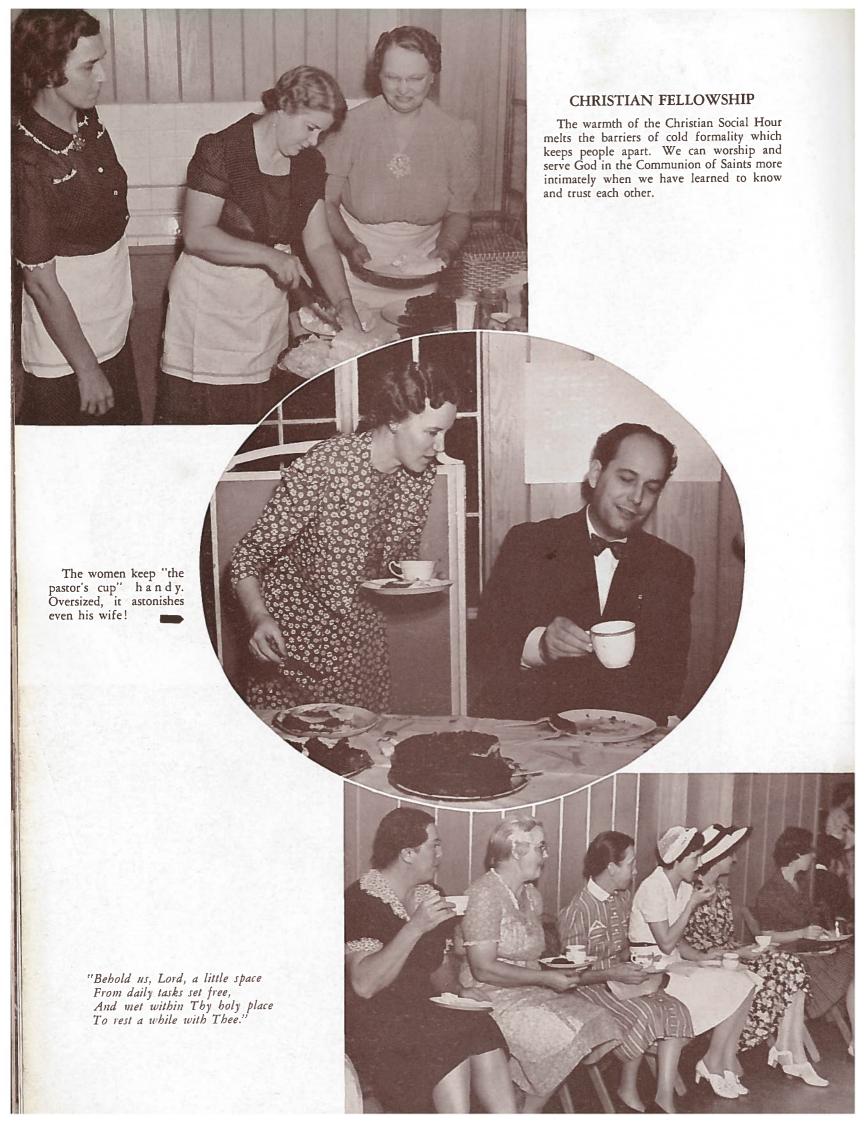
CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION

One of the duties of vestrymen reads: "That provision be made for the Christian instruction of the young." Each Lord's Day and each Friday classes are conducted for all age groups.

A children's Catechetical Class.













The Annual

King "Duddy" Nau and Queen Edna Mae Irons of Tinytot Land, 1941, who dwell in a rock-candy castle.

Ladies of the Parade of Parasols.



May Fete

King Frank Kuse and the Queen of May, 1941, Ruth Kruger.

The Queen's Court.



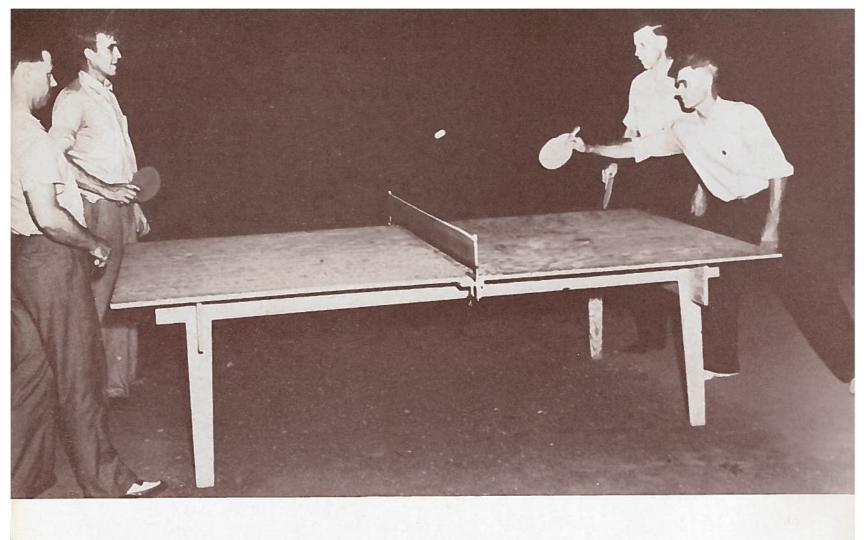
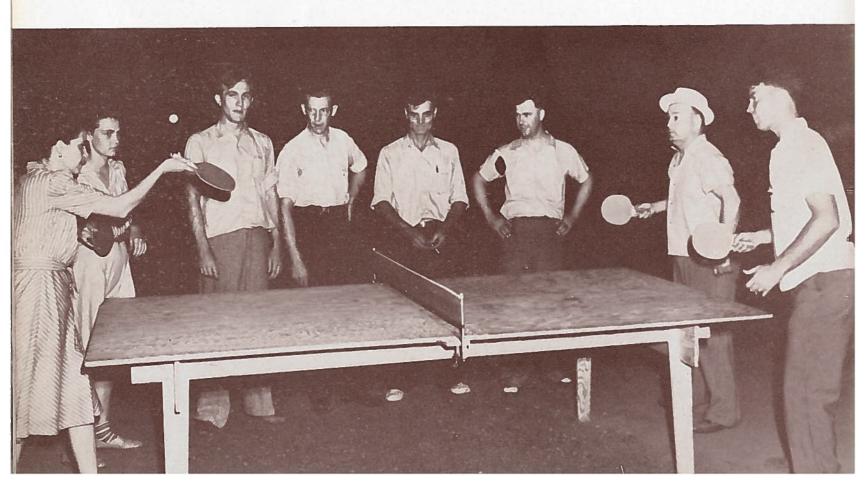


Table Tennis

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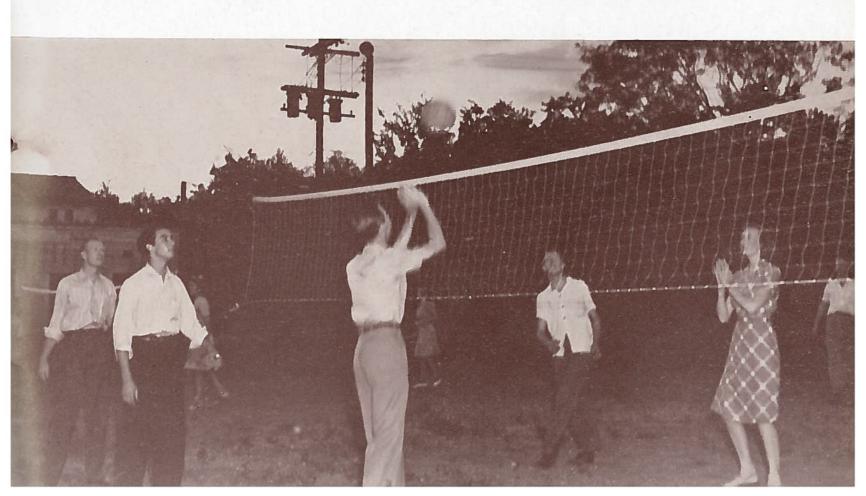




Recreation

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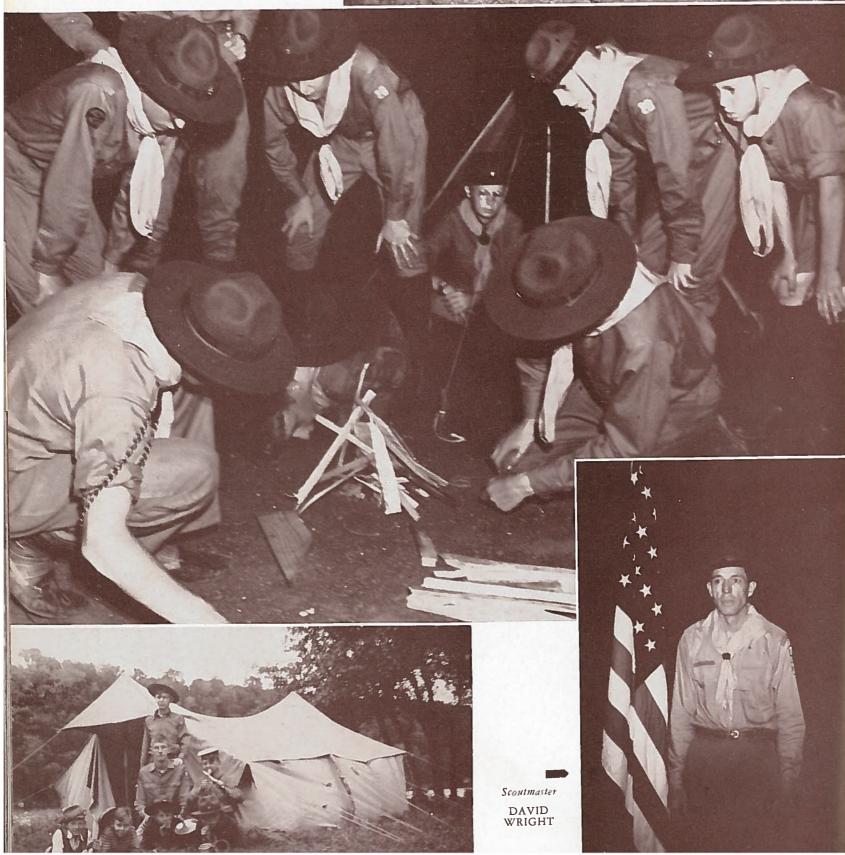
Volley Ball



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The Anniversary Services

FOUNDERS' DAY
Sunday, July 13, 1941, 10:30 A. M.
Sermon, "What Hath God Wrought"
In Memoriam, Deceased Founders Anthems: "God So Loved the World" Gaul "Lift Up Your Heads O Ye Portals" Wennerberg
"Lift Up Your Heads O Ye Portals"
Solo, David Wright
Reception of Members
HISTORICAL REVIEW
Monday, July 14, 1941, 8:00 P. M.
Historical motion pictures
Sound Film, "The Kindled Flame"
Duet: "Lead Kindly Light"
Accompanist, Mrs. Wm. Limberg
Informal "History Test"
Greetings, the Rev. Paul Bechter, President of the Texas Synod, U.L.C.A.
LAWN SOCIAL
Tuesday, July 15, 1941, 8:00 P. M.
Righday Cake Caremony
Division of Membership According to Years of Membership Election of Anniversary "King and Queen"
Election of Anniversary King and Queen
MUSIC EVENING
Wednesday, July 16, 1941, 8:00 P. M. The Cantata, "The Holy City"
Address on Sacred Music by Dr. E. W. Doty, University of Texas
VESPERS—YOUTH NIGHT
Thursday, July 17, 1941, 8:00 P. M. Children's Choir: "Hark, the Glad Sound"
Youth Choir: "Lord, I W ant to Be a Christian"
Youth Choir: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"
Address, Dr. Thomas W. Currie, President Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
CITY NIGHT
Friday, July 18, 1941, 8:00 P. M.
Guest Choir, First Methodist Church
Guest Organist, R. Cochrane Penick, University Presbyterian Church
Greetings, Austin Pastors Sound Film, "Texas Cavalcade"
THE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE
Sunday, July 20, 1941, 10:30 A. M. Sermon, The Rev. Erwin S. Spees, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Anthems: "Seek Ye the Lord" Rober
Solo Mrs Fred W Kern
"Thine Is the Kingdom
Basket Picnic
Entertainment, Games, Contests, Music
Out-Door Vespers, 7:00 P. M.
Anthems: "Beautiful Saviour". Seis "Now the Day Is Over". Sabine Baring-Goul
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Martin Luthe
Combined First English Lutheran Church Choirs
THE ANNIVERSARY COMMINION

THE ANNIVERSARY COMMUNION

Sunday, July 27, 1941, 10:30 A. M.

