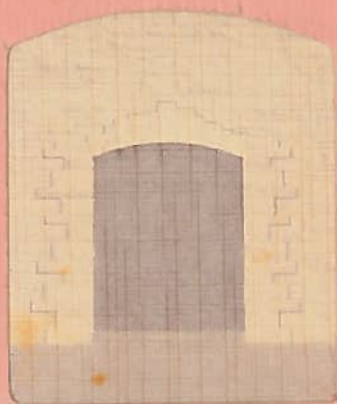


Dedication
Memento

The First English Evangelical
Lutheran Church

Austin, Texas



*"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise"--Psalm 100*



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WEST VIEW

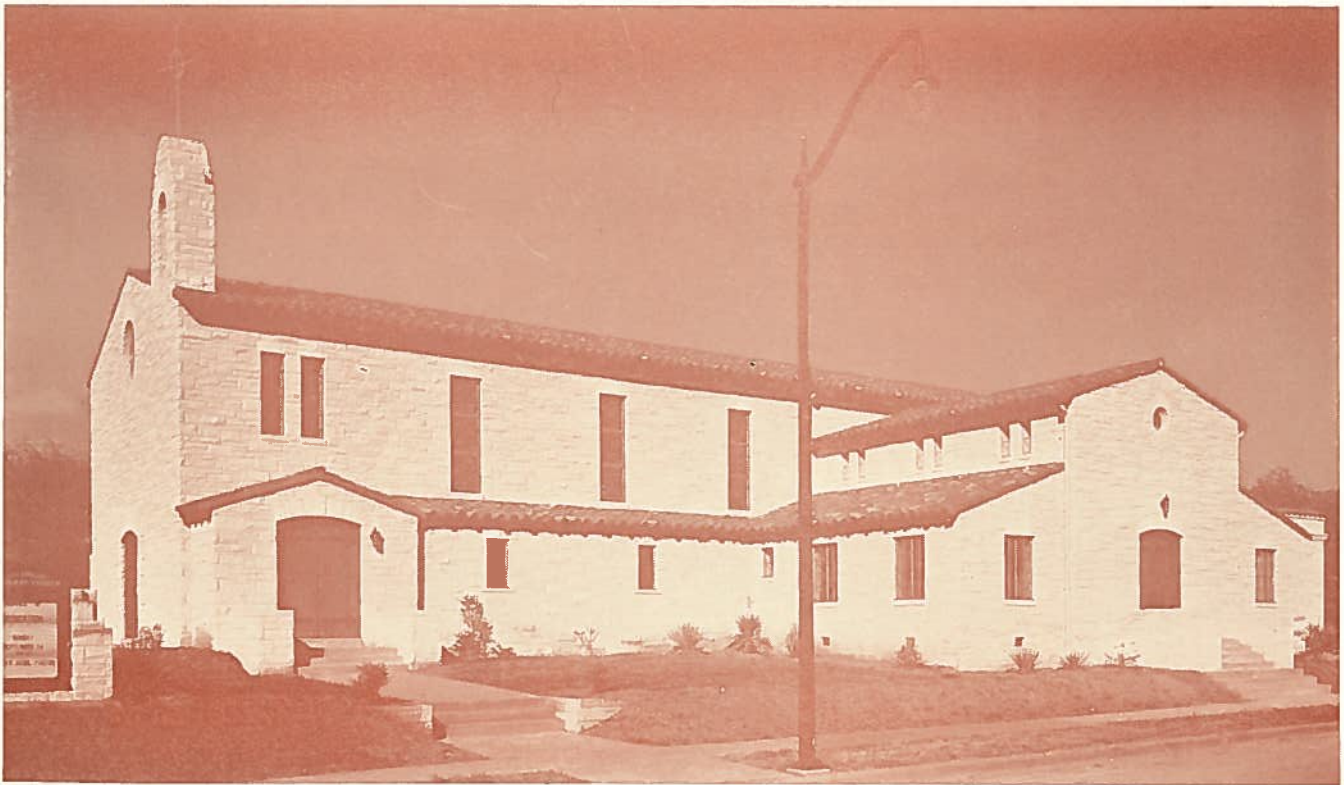




The First English Evangelical Lutheran Church

Austin, Texas

The Reverend Fred W. Kern, M. A., Pastor



SOUTHWEST VIEW



PASTOR FRED W. KERN AND FAMILY



“He that built all things is God”

—Hebrews 3:4



The beginnings of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Austin, Texas, are laid in the devout hearts of Christian men and women who hungered for the Word and the Sacrament. When the call came they were ready to serve and eager to make sacrifices.

From the first meeting when we “were all with one accord in one place” peace and goodwill have characterized our congregational life. The consciousness of a divine call to a divine task has been felt to the point of awe.

The liberal financial support given our congregation by the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America has been deeply appreciated from the beginning.

This dedication memento is distributed above all in recognition of God’s unfailing guidance. We have been inspired to say of our congregation with reverent confidence, “God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved.” We also hope that this memento may help our members and friends to appreciate the House of God. We send it forth, furthermore, to honor those whose sacrificing love has made the building possible. We thank God for the faithful stewardship of our people expressed in their tithes and offerings whether large or small. We acknowledge herein the special gifts and memorials of members and friends, but only God can properly reward His faithful servants.

Dear fellow-laborers in the Lord’s Vineyard, this building is our post of duty. Here we must discharge our part of the Great Commission. Indeed, our holy assignment includes the “uttermost parts of the earth,” but for our discharge of that assignment the scene of action is laid on these grounds.

Faithfully your pastor,

Fred W. Kern



HISTORICAL RESUME

The Mission Committee of the Texas Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America decided on May 27, 1936, to make a survey of the city of Austin looking toward the establishment of a new congregation. On June 14-16 a group of 18 volunteers from various churches of the State met in Austin and made a partial survey of the city. Their work revealed that there were many unaffiliated Lutherans in Austin.

The President of Synod, the Rev. Fred W. Kern of Houston called a meeting of all people interested in the organization of a congregation at the University Y.M.C.A., Wednesday evening, June 24th. Pastor Kern presided and the Rev. J. F. Vorkoper of San Antonio served as secretary. At this meeting a motion was made by Prof. C. Klaerner and seconded by E. E. Bohls requesting the Texas Synod, U.L.C.A., to organize an English-speaking congrega-

tion in Austin. The request was signed by 26 persons. A Ways and Means Committee, consisting of Dr. S. W. Bohls, chairman, C. Klaerner, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Paul Klaerner, Mrs. E. R. Werner, and Dr. P. E. Suehs, was appointed.

The first public service was held on Sunday evening, July 12th, at the First Congregational Church, 408 West 23rd Street. Pastor Kern of Houston conducted the Service. Dr. C. A. Nau was appointed temporary treasurer. At the Service on Sunday evening, July 19th, 1936, at the Congregational Church, Pastor N. H. Kern of Dallas preached the sermon. Following the Service Pastor Fred W. Kern of Houston conducted a business meeting. Dr. P. E. Suehs made a motion that the assembly organize itself into a Lutheran congregation. The motion was seconded by Mrs. E. R. Werner and carried unanimously. A constitution, prepared by the Ways and Means Committee, was read and



THE FOUNDERS

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Albers, D. W. Bohls, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bohls, Dr. S. W. Bohls, Mrs. E. P. Burke, Mrs. A. S. Depew, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Hermann, Dorothy Hermann, Elvira Hermann, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hielscher, The Rev. Fred W. Kern, Prof. and Mrs. C. Klaerner, Carla Klaerner, Walter Klaerner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Limberg, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Herbert Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Miller, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Nau, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ohlendorf, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schulze, Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Suehs, Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Werner.

Not in the picture: Mrs. S. W. Bohls, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Klaerner, Sophie Klaerner, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Rinn.

adopted. The charter membership list was begun and signed by 30 persons. It was agreed to hold the charter membership list open 90 days.

The congregation was chartered by the State of Texas on July 23rd, 1936.

Mr. H. F. Metzger and Miss Carla Klaerner were appointed to organize a Sunday School. This was done on Sunday morning, July 26th, 1936, at the First Congregational Church.

For several weeks the congregation was without a pastor. The Board of American Missions requested Pastor Kern of Houston to take charge of the work at Austin but he felt disinclined to leave his work in Houston and, at the same time, had a Call from Trinity Church, Victoria. He finally accepted the Call on August 1st and moved to Austin on September 8, 1936.

Until September 27, 1936, the Sunday School was held in the morning and the Service in the evening at the Congregational Church. Beginning on Sunday, October 4, 1936, Services were conducted at the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs building, San Gabriel and 24th Street. With the move to the new place of worship the unified Service, which has proved so satisfactory, was introduced.

The women of the congregation organized on Monday afternoon, October 26, 1936, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Suehs. Twenty-four women were present. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. E. R. Werner; vice-president, Mrs. C. A. Nau; secretary, Mrs. C. C. Albers; treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Ohlendorf.

On Sunday morning, November 8, 1936, church furniture, consisting of altar, pulpit, font, hymn



THE FIRST VESTRY

First row, left to right: Rev. Fred W. Kern, Paul H. Klaerner, Mrs. E. R. Werner, Dr. S. W. Bohls, Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt.

Second row: Dr. P. E. Suehs, Mrs. H. F. Metzger, E. E. Bohls, Walter Klaerner, Alton Rinn, Dr. C. C. Albers.

board, and offering plates, donated by the Klaerner family, was dedicated. For this occasion the Klaerner family formed a chorus and sang, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," by Harry Rowe Shelley.

At a meeting of the congregation on November 29, 1936, it was voted to begin a Building Fund. This fund was opened on January 1, 1937.

Dr. John F. Seibert, of the Board of American Missions, visited the new field on Sunday, December 6, 1936. He preached the sermon and formally installed the Rev. Fred W. Kern as pastor of the congregation.

In December, 1936, Mrs. S. W. Bohls organized a Cradle Roll. Because of her devoted work this department grew very rapidly.



THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY

July 11, 1937



THE THIRD ANNUAL BANQUET
January 19, 1939

The first annual business meeting of the congregation was held on Thursday, January 21, 1937, in the form of a Fellowship Dinner. In spite of the severely cold weather the attendance was 115. At this meeting the following vestrymen were elected: three-year term, Dr. P. E. Suehs, Dr. S. W. Bohls, Dr. C. C. Albers; two-year term, Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Alton Rinn, E. E. Bohls; one-year term, Mrs. E. R. Werner, Paul Klaerner, and Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt. The application for membership in the Texas Synod, U.L.C.A., was unanimously voted. E. E. Bohls was elected delegate to the next convention of Synod. The congregation adopted a total budget of \$2,193.70 for the year 1937.

The men of the congregation organized on Sunday afternoon, February 7, 1937, at the church in the Women's Clubs building. The following officers were elected: president, O. L. Tietz; vice-president, Fred Raschke; secretary, Emil Pape, treasurer, Fred Fischer.

The vestry, at its April, 1937, meeting appointed a committee consisting of Paul Klaerner, Alton

Rinn, Dr. S. W. Bohls, and Pastor Kern, to look into the matter of securing a building site.

The young congregation had the privilege of being host to the Texas Synod, April 18-20, 1937. This convention was honored by the presence of Dr. F. H. Knubel, President of the United Lutheran Church in America. At a mass meeting, attended by 1000 Lutherans from all over the State, Dr. Knubel and Gov. Allred spoke.

A special meeting of the congregation was held at the University Y.M.C.A. Friday, August 6, 1937. The vestry made three recommendations:

1. The purchase of the property at Whitis Avenue and 30th Street.
2. The financing of the purchase by personal loans of members.
3. The engaging of Arthur Fehr as architect.

All three recommendations were adopted by the congregation. A building committee consisting of Pastor Kern, Paul Klaerner, H. F. Metzger, and

Richard Hielscher, was appointed. A finance committee consisting of Dr. C. C. Albers, Dr. J. V. Irons, and H. J. Raatz, was also appointed. The purchase of the property at the corner of Whitis Avenue and 30th Street, costing \$3,600.00, was consummated on August 30, 1937. The committee had collected \$5.00 more than the purchase price.

The young people of the congregation held their first meeting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Bohls on Friday, April 2, 1937. A committee consisting of Elvira Hermann, Herbert Metzger, and Ideal Bohls, was elected to prepare for the organization of a Luther League. The League was formally organized on Sunday, May 23rd, and the officers were installed at a Service on Sunday evening, June 20, 1937.

The choir began to render anthems early in April, 1936. Officers of the choir were elected on May 6, 1937, as follows: president, E. R. Werner; secretary, Mrs. Hugo Heimann; librarian, Miss Eda Evers.

The congregation celebrated its First Anniversary with a Service on Sunday, July 11, 1937. The Rev. Wm. J. Hoebel, Houston, Secretary of the Texas Synod, preached the sermon. The first anniversary dinner was held on Wednesday, July 14th, at the Women's Clubs Building. 147 attended the anniversary Service and 135 the anniversary dinner.

On Saturday afternoon, September 25th, 1937, the men of the church met with picks and axes to clear the church property of brush and trees. Those who participated remember distinctly not only the brambles but also the red bugs.

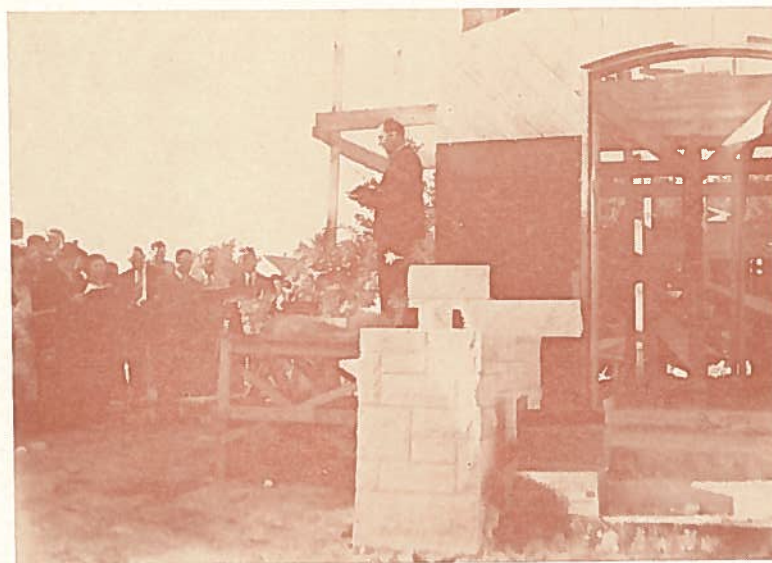
The architect, Arthur Fehr, submitted a floor plan to the vestry on October 5, 1937. The plan was approved by the building committee and by the vestry and within a few days preliminary drawings were sent to the Committee on Architecture of the United Lutheran Church in America. These tentative plans were approved on November 20, 1937.

At the second annual congregational meeting, January 21, 1938, the preliminary drawings show-

ing the floor plan and the elevation of the church were approved by the congregation and the architect was instructed to proceed with the preparation of working drawings. Formal application was made to the Board of American Missions for a Church Extension Loan on March 13, 1938. The complete working drawings with specifications were sent to the Board early in June, 1938, for approval. In order to reserve room for future development



GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY



CORNERSTONE LAYING

Dr. S. W. Bohls and Dr. P. E. Suehs each personally purchased two lots east of our church property. These men are holding these lots for the congregation.

Undoubtedly the greatest impetus given to our congregation was that of the eighteen catechetical lectures of Dr. Oliver D. Baltzly which began on February 6, 1938. As a result of these lectures 101 souls were added to our congregation during Easter, 1938.

At a congregational meeting on September 25, 1938, it was announced that the Board had agreed to lend our congregation \$12,500.00 on a second mortgage without interest for five years provided the congregation could secure a first mortgage of the same amount locally. The congregation accepted the Board's offer and began negotiations for a local loan.

At the vestry meeting on September 30, 1938, the building committee was enlarged by two members, namely, Dr. J. J. Jones, and Prof. H. E. Degler. The Board of American Missions gave final approval of the drawings and specifications for our building on October 7, 1938. At the congregational meeting on November 27, 1938, the congregation voted to raise its first mortgage to \$15,000.00. The contract for the new building was awarded on January 8, 1939, as follows: general contract, Rex D. Kitchens, \$26,157.00; plumbing, J. Wattinger, \$740.00; electrical, Harris, \$952.00; total contract, \$27,849.00.

The third annual banquet and business meeting of the congregation was held at the Driskill Hotel, January 19, 1939. The attendance was 244.

Sunday afternoon, January 22, was a thrilling day for this young congregation for on that cold afternoon the members gathered at the congrega-

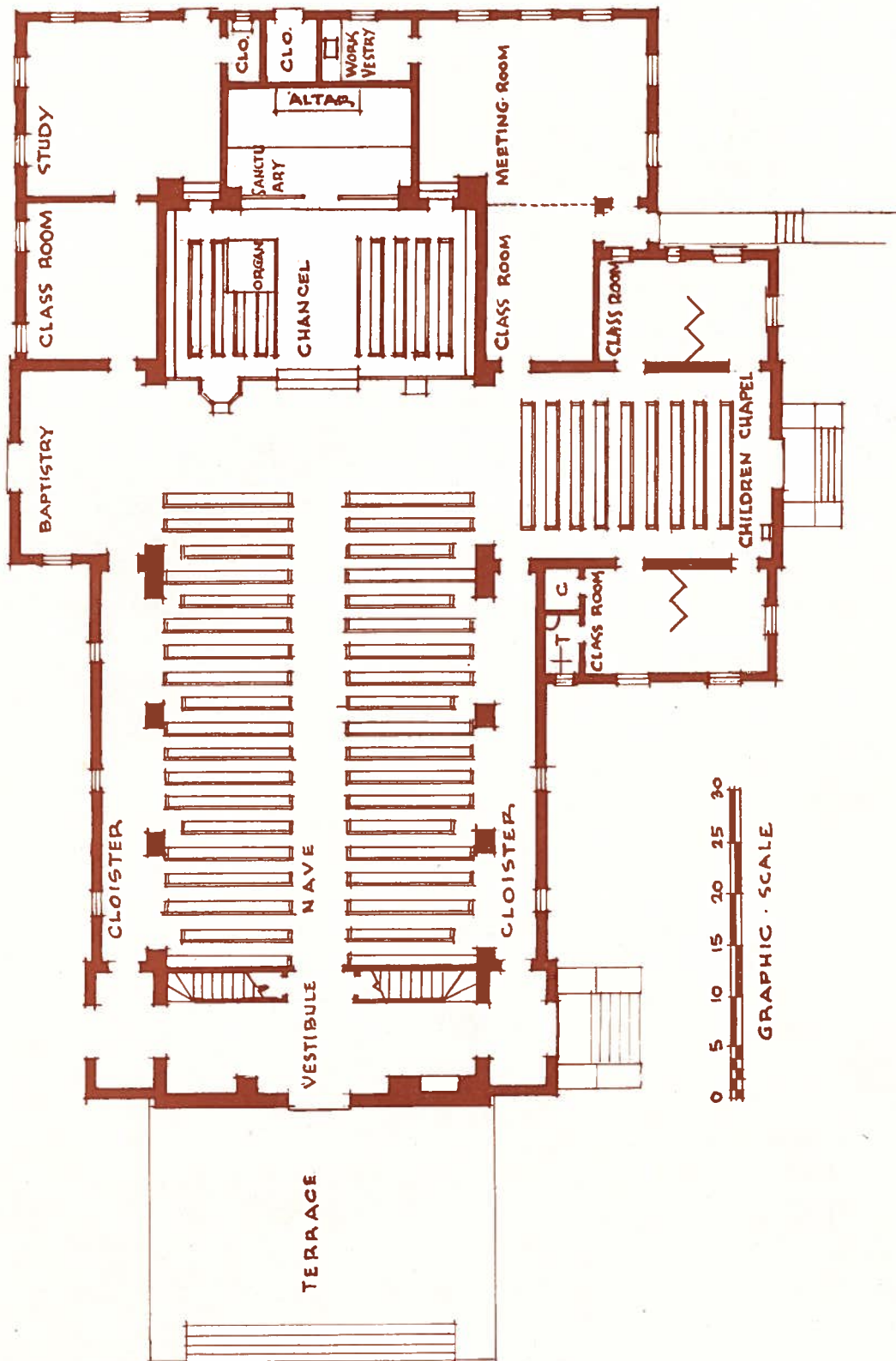
tion's property and with proper ceremony broke ground for the erection of a new building. Work on the new church began on Monday morning, January 23, 1939.

The corner-stone, in the form of a plain stone slab, was laid on Easter Sunday afternoon, April 9, 1939.

After much deliberation the congregation voted unanimously on May 7, 1939, to equip the new church with summer and winter air-conditioning at an additional cost of \$5,000.00. The system was built by Westinghouse.

Every step in the construction of the new building gave evidence that the work was proceeding under divine guidance and protection. Not a single workman was injured during the eight months of construction. Everyone who had anything at all to do with the building seemed to take a personal interest in the project. Goodwill and cheerful cooperation were manifested by all from the architect to the laborer who dug the foundation. Regardless of his task each man seemed happy in having a part in erecting a place of honor for our God.







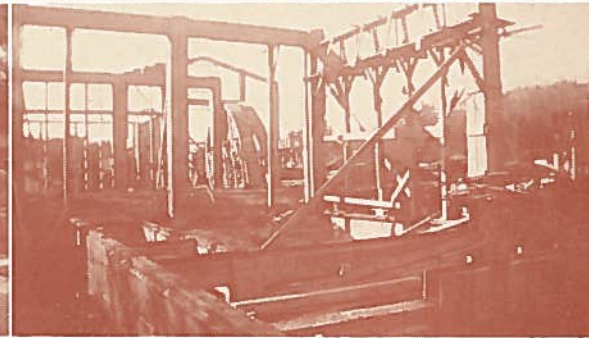
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March 24TH



FRONT ELEVATION
March 24TH



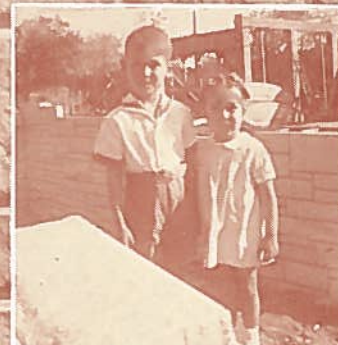
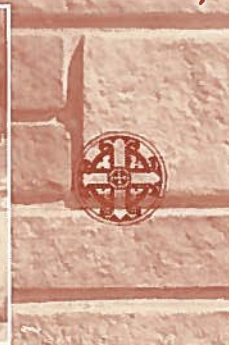
POURING CONCRETE
March 24TH



TAKING SHAPE
April 5TH



FIRST PART OF THE WALL
Mr Avery, Texas Quarries-Mar 25TH



BYRON & JUDITH APPROVE
March 26TH



GOOD SUPERVISION
J.B.(Bullets)Roberts- Apr 5TH



CORNERSTONE LAYING DAY
April 9TH



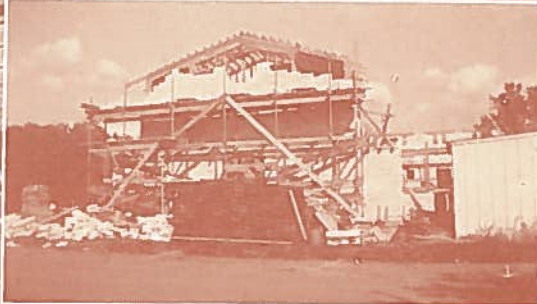
RAISING THE WALLS
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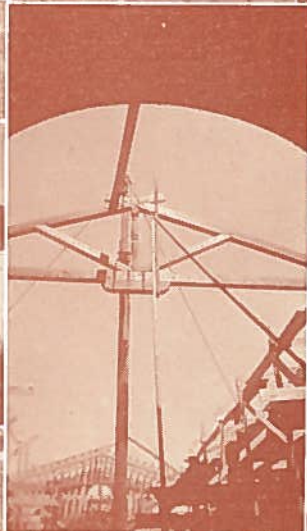
THE FIRST DOORWAY
April 17TH



THE ELECTRICIAN
Mr. Mozingo - Apr. 5TH



THE WEST END
May 6TH



THE FIRST TRUSS GOES UP
June 16TH



THE BELL GOES UP
July 5TH



May 6TH



June 16TH



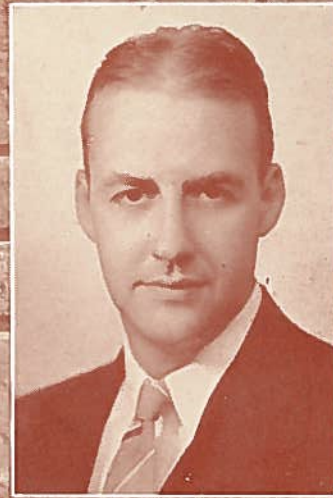
TILE ROOF BEING LAID
July 5TH



PAUL H. KLAERNER
Chairman



REV. FRED W. KERN
Pastor



DR. J. J. JONES
Secretary



PROF. H. E. DEGLER
Lighting Fixtures



RICHARD HIELSCHER
Specialist



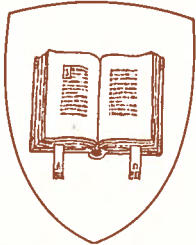
ARTHUR FEHR
Architect



H. F. METZGER
Furniture



REX D. KITCHENS
General Contractor



The House of God

"How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!"

—Psalm 84:1

The interior of our church edifice contains the three principal parts of a liturgically arranged house of worship, the *narthex*, or vestibule; the *nave*, or main body; and the *chancel*. Included in the chancel is the *sanctuary*, the place of the altar.

In the narthex the worshipper leaves behind every worldly thought. Here he meditates with the Psalmist: "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord; or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath

clean hands, and a pure heart, who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord; and righteousness from the God of his salvation." Remembering that "The Lord is in His holy temple" he enters with silent reverence and prayerful awe.

Standing at the entrance to the nave the attention of the worshipper is immediately drawn to the altar set in pure white surroundings. This is the sanctuary which invites every soul to come near with a true heart.



THE NARTHEX



THE NAVE

THE CHANCEL

The chancel is three steps above the level of the nave. It contains the altar, pulpit, lectern, choir and clergy stalls, and the litany desk. The rail serves but one purpose, it is a convenience as communicants kneel to receive the elements. It does not indicate a distinction between the clergy and the people, for the Lutheran Church emphasizes that every worshipper is his own priest and has access to the altar.



THE CLOISTER



THE ALTAR

THE ALTAR

The altar, crowning the sanctuary, dominates the entire building. It is the place of worship, "Whither the tribes go up, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord." It is the place of blessing where

the reassuring words are heard, "This is the Body of Christ"; "This is the Blood of the New Testament." It is the place of consecration where earth's most solemn vows are spoken in Confirmation, in Matrimony, and in Ordination.



THE LITANY DESK

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The litany desk, also called prayer desk, kneeling desk, and prie-dieu, the French words for prayer and God, is a removable article. It is used by the minister at the Confession preparatory to the Holy Communion and may be used at the Confession in The Service every Sunday. It may also be used by the ministrant for his private devotions.



THE PULPIT

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The pulpit is the place from which the Word of God is preached. This is its sole but tremendously important function. "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?" (Romans 10:14).

THE LECTERN

In the history of the Church the lectern has passed through a number of uses and occupied various places in the building. In our day it is placed opposite the pulpit at the front of the chancel. It holds the Holy Scripture and from it the Lessons for the Day may be read.



THE LECTERN

THE FONT

At the font the other Sacrament is administered. Because Baptism has always been looked upon as the rite of initiation or entrance into the Kingdom the font is sometimes placed at the entrance to the nave or at the entrance to the chancel. Its location is not so important but it should not obstruct the view of or approach to the Altar.



THE BAPTISMAL FONT

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

In the plain form in which it is to be taught by the head of a family.

I. What is Baptism?

Answer. Baptism is not simply water, but it is the water comprehended in God's command, and connected with God's Word.

What is that Word of God?

Answer. It is that which our Lord Jesus spake, as it is recorded in the last chapter of Matthew, verse 19: "Go ye, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

II. What gifts or benefits does Baptism confer?

Answer. It worketh forgiveness of sins, delivers from death and the devil, and confers everlasting salvation on all who believe, as the Word and promise of God declare.

What are such words and promises of God?

Answer. Those which our Lord Jesus Christ spake, as they are recorded in the last chapter of Mark, verse 16: "He that believeth and is baptized, shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

III. How can water produce such great effects?

Answer. It is not the water indeed that produces these effects, but the Word of God, which accompanies and is connected with the water, and our faith which relies on the Word of God, connected

with the water. For the water, without the Word of God, is simply water and no baptism. But when connected with the Word of God, it is a baptism, that is, a gracious water of life and a "washing of regeneration" in the Holy Ghost; as St. Paul says to Titus, in the third chapter, verses 5-8: "According to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful saying."

IV. What does such baptizing with water signify?

Answer. It signifies that the old Adam in us is to be drowned and destroyed by daily sorrow and repentance, together with all sins and evil lusts; and that again the new man should daily come forth and rise, that shall live in the presence of God in righteousness and purity for ever.

Where is it so written?

Answer. St. Paul, in the Epistle to the Romans, chapter 6, verse 4, says: "We are buried with Christ by baptism into death; that like as He was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

—THE SMALL CATECHISM.

THE ORGAN

Our organ is a product of the Wicks Organ Company, Highland, Illinois. The 365 pipes are voiced and regulated to suit the acoustics of the building. Some of these pipes are sixteen feet long and tremendous in size, whereas others are approximately the size of a lead pencil. One of the unique features incorporated in this organ is an English Horn. This set of pipes is rarely found in organs of modest proportion.

Mechanically this organ is undoubtedly the most modern. Every actuating part is directly controlled by electricity. Organ actions have long been considered too complicated, containing parts and material known to be perishable, most objectionable of all being thin leathers used for pneumatics. All of these undesirable features have been eliminated by the Wicks Company who are inventors and patentees of the direct electric action.

Dr. C. P. Boner of the University of Texas gave many hours to the building committee so that we might have the best possible organ. We are, indeed, grateful for his advice.

The donors are Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mollenhauer of Yorktown, Texas, parents of the late Mrs. S. W. Bohls who was their only child. Because of Mrs. Bohls' great devotion to her church and because of her love of music her parents now make this gift in her memory and to the glory of God whom she loved and Whose praise she sang.



SPECIFICATION

Two Manual and Pedal Organ

Compass: 61 Notes

Pedal 32 Notes

Console—Detached.

Great Organ

	Notes
1. 16' Open Diapason T. C.	49
2. 8' Open Diapason	61
3. 8' Stopped Flute	61
4. 8' Salicional	61
5. 8' Celeste	48
6. 4' Octave	61
7. 4' Flute D'Amour	61
8. 4' Violina	61
9. 8' English Horn	61
10. 2' Fifteenth	61
11. Chimes (Prepared for)	20

Swell Organ

12. 16' Bourdon	61
13. 8' Open Diapason	61
14. 8' Quintadena (syn)	61
15. 8' Stopped Flute	61
16. 8' Salicional	61
17. 8' Vox Celeste	49
18. 4' Violina	61
19. 4' Flute D'Amour	61
20. 2/3 Nazard	61
21. 2' Piccolo	61
22. 8' English Horn	61
23. 8' Oboe (syn)	61

Pedal Organ

24. 16' Open Diapason	32
25. 16' Bourdon	32
26. 8' Flute	32
27. 8' Cello	32
28. 4' Octave	32
29. 4' Flute	32
30. 8' Bassoon	32

Accessories

Tremolo	Crescendo Indicator
Crescendo Pedal	Wind Indicator
Expression Pedal	Stop-Ken Illumination
Organ Bench	Blower, Generator-set

Analysis

	Pipes
16' Bourdon	97
16' Pedal Open Diapason	12
8' Open Diapason	73
8' Salicional	73
8' Vox Celeste	49
8' English Horn	61
Total.....	365



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mollenhauer

FEATURES

AIR-CONDITIONING

This building was air-conditioned for winter and summer by the Modern Air Conditioning Company with the use of Westinghouse equipment. We feel particularly fortunate that we were able to add this feature to this complete building. We feel that it is imperative in these days when air-conditioning is used so generally for commercial and entertainment purposes that the church should also provide the same advantages of health and comfort.

SPEAKER SYSTEM

Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bohls this building is completely equipped with a speaker system. There is a speaker in every room and the narthex. It is possible for mothers, if necessary, to take babies into the nursery and yet not be deprived of the continuity of the service. It is also helpful to those who need to come late and wait in the narthex until admitted at the proper place in the Service. They otherwise have to miss the most important part of the Service, the confession of sins.

BROADCASTING

The microphone used in connection with the speaker system can also be used for general broadcasting. The same type of equipment was installed as is used by general commercial broadcasting. It is hoped that at some future time at least part of

our morning Service can be broadcast. The liturgical worship of the Lutheran Church is eminently adapted to radio.

THE HARD-OF-HEARING

Included in the system donated by Mr. and Mrs. Bohls is the aid to the hard-of-hearing. In the third pew from the front on the left side of the nave are four ear phones for the hard-of-hearing. If there is need for additional outlets they will be installed as needed.

OTHER DETAILS

The beautiful carvings of symbols and rosettes on the pew ends in the center aisle were executed by Mr. Peter Mannsbendel, famous artist of Austin, Texas. Each of the thirty-eight carvings is an original and different from all others. Mr. Mannsbendel donated his artistry in honor of Professor C. Klaerner a co-founder of the congregation.

The tile floor is a return to true church architecture such as was used in all European cathedrals. Such a floor adds to the atmosphere of permanence and, contrary to general opinion, is less noisy than a covered wood floor.

The neon cross and the illumined bulletin board are controlled by time clocks. The elevated cross, visible by day and by night, reminds us that "From century to century the Lutheran Church proclaims her unchanging faith that Jesus Christ died for all."





THE CONGREGATION

In the Parable of the Wheat and the Tares our Lord Jesus Christ warns us against expecting a perfect church in this world. In this life we are constantly in the state of becoming, striving to overcome the old Adam and to grow in the newness of life. The functioning of a congregation can not be expected to be more perfect than human nature. It is, nevertheless, expected that we conduct the Lord's business as efficiently as humanly possible, and in all our efforts we have the assurance of divine guidance.

The organization of the First English Lutheran Church of Austin is somewhat different from the traditional plan. These changes in method and organization were arrived at through experimentation.

COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Our point of departure has been the conviction that the Church is One; that it is the family of the redeemed, the Communion of Saints. Our relationship to God through our Saviour offers all believers the same privileges and places on all the same obligations. Distinctions can not be made. Church membership has no grades nor degrees. Neither are some members expected to carry responsibilities and others not. Every member is expected to be a faithful steward of his time, talent, and treasure, as God blesses him.

NATURAL DIVISIONS

It seemed unwise and impractical to us that there should be organizations within the congregation only loosely associated with the congregation and acting more or less independently of it. If any service is to be rendered according to the mandate of Christ that service is to be rendered by all members. What is not incumbent on one is not incumbent on any member. It was, therefore, our thought from the beginning to eliminate the traditional congregational organizations and to group the membership according to natural divisions of sex and age. Accordingly all the men of the congregation over the age of twenty-five are grouped in the men's division of the congregation; all the women over twenty-five in the women's division; the young people between the ages of seventeen

and twenty-five in the Senior Luther League; the youths between the ages of twelve and sixteen in the Intermediate Luther League; and all children from birth to eleven in the Children of the Church. These divisions meet once a month or oftener under the direction of their own presiding officers. In order to carry out our Lord's command to worship, witness, exercise stewardship, learn and teach, and engage in Christian fellowship, members of the divisions are appointed as secretaries to sponsor these activities in the church life of the members of the group. The Word which is heard at the Lord's Day meeting is acted upon in the service meeting during the month. The men, women, young people, and children are first members of the congregation. Their membership in their natural divisions is merely an active expression of their congregational membership.

PORTFOLIO VESTRY

The unity of our congregation is further emphasized by the inner organization of the vestry. Each of the twelve vestrymen is assigned a definite responsibility. In addition to the usual administrative officers there is one vestryman who is responsible for each division of the congregation and one for each function. Thus, there is a sponsor of the men's division, a sponsor of the women's division, and a sponsor of the youth's division. For the functional life of the congregation there is a director of evangelism, a director of parish education, a worship secretary, and a director of Christian fellowship. Each vestryman is required to submit a written report of his work at each monthly meeting. During the half-hour study periods held at the opening of the monthly meetings the vestrymen are impressed with the sacredness of their office and the solemn responsibility resting upon them. The membership of the vestry rotates so that each year four vestrymen retire and four new members are elected by the congregation. Both men and women are eligible to serve on the vestry.

SACRAMENTAL AND SACRIFICIAL

We conceive of church membership in a dual way. We receive grace through the Word and the Sacraments. The Word and the Sacrament are preached and administered by the Church. When the entire





THE SENIOR CHOIR

First row: Mrs. Claryce M. Pitts, Mrs. H. J. Raatz, Mrs. David G. Wright, Miss Margaret Schoedel, Mrs. Fred W. Kern, Mrs. William Limberg, accompanist, Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Miss Elvira Hermann, Miss Eda Evers.

Second row: Paul H. Klaerner, Mrs. E. C. Ohlendorf, Miss Elsie Miller, Mrs. R. D. Midkiff, Mrs. B. B. Bohls, Miss Helen Raschke, Miss Ruth Suehs, Miss Dorothy Hermann, Dr. S. W. Bohls.

Third row: H. J. Raatz, Miss Carlo Klaerner, Mrs. E. L. Whisenant, Miss Ideal Bohls, Mrs. E. J. Fuchs, Mrs. Hugo F. Heimann, Mrs. P. F. Hermann, Mrs. F. A. Rieger, Jr., Charles Schoedel.

Fourth row: C. H. Warner, David G. Wright, E. J. Fuchs, B. B. Bohls, E. L. Whisenant, Hugo F. Heimann, Walter Klaerner. Not shown in picture: A. F. Baker, Mrs. A. F. Baker, Mrs. F. M. Conklin, Lena Schorlemmer, Viola Steger.

congregation assembles on the Lord's Day the Holy Spirit is present to work upon the hearts of men through these Means of Grace. This may be designated as the sacramental phase of the Christian's Church life, namely, that phase in which the Christian receives spiritual gifts from God. If then the Christian receives spiritual gifts on the Lord's Day he must remember the injunction not to be a forgetful hearer but to be a doer of the Word and not a hearer only. Our God wants children who honor His will. Broadly speaking this may be understood as the sacrificial phase of the Christian's life. The congregation meets in its natural divisions

to promote and to give an account of this sacrificial life of the Christian.

UNIFIED SERVICE

Consistency with the conception of the Oneness of the congregation requires that the congregation meet on the Lord's Day as a unit. The Sunday school session and the church service, which in most congregations are conducted separately, are combined into one continuous service. The Common Service is used in its entirety and the instruction period is added at the close of the service before the congregation is dismissed by the benediction.



R. COCHRANE PENICK
Choirmaster



DR. J. V. IRONS
Sponsor of Worship



THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

First row: Raymond Raschke, Walter Wendlandt, Gerard Kern, Marvin Johnson, Mrs. H. F. Metzger, director, Carl Nau, Dorothy Albers, Charlotte Ankele, Anabel Fuchs, Elizabeth Raesz.

Secnod row: Herbert Raatz, Raymond Ohlendorf, George Fischer, Betty Olle, Sharon Raatz, Lois Albers, Ruby Johnson, Leah Pape, Dorothy Wolf.

Third row: Wallace Geyer, Clarence Albers, Charles Wendlandt, Alice Olle, Virginia Fuchs, Lucille Kretschmar, Mary Raesz, Leroy Raschke, Hileen Wolf. Not in picture: Otille Raesz.

Statistics indicate that the greatest loss in church membership occurs at the age when a child is supposed to be transferred from the Sunday school to adult church membership. This is true undoubtedly because there is a definite break in a child's religious growth. The system of conducting a separate Sunday school complete in every respect has been found wanting. The usual intermission between Sunday school and the church service is an invitation to the children to go home. It leaves the impression that the church service is for adults only. Under

the influence of secular child psychology we are led to believe that the Holy Spirit can not reach the soul of a child unless we adults provide proper-sized tables and chairs, toilets and closets, childish pictures, black boards, and graded worship materials.

Experience with the unified service in the First English Lutheran Church confirms the contention that the Holy Spirit is indeed able to reach the soul of a child through the Word and the Sacrament much in the same way as He reaches the soul of an adult. The Common Service is not too difficult for children. The unified service eliminates the invitation to go home. Families come to the service together, they worship together, they go home together. Their family experience has spiritual unity. During the teaching period the congregation is, of course, graded. The children retire to their class rooms and the pastor teaches the adult congregation. During the opening and closing worship the children sit in the children's chapel in which the pews are built in such heights as to be comfortable for the children.

The unified service -saves at least one hour's time. Instead of beginning at 9:30 the service begins at 10:30 and ends at 12:00. This saving of time is made not by eliminating anything essential but by omitting the duplicating parts of the formerly separated services. There is one opening period of



CHILDREN'S CHOIR MOTHERS
Mrs. Dave Williams
Mrs. Fred Fischer

MEN'S DIVISION



OFFICERS

First row: Edward Wendlandt, Secretary; Hugo F. Heimann, President; Henry Nauert, Evangelism Secretary.
Second row: B. B. Bohls, Treasurer; F. E. Miller, Educational Secretary; R. L. Gorham, Fellowship Secretary.
Not shown in picture: Fred Fischer, Worship Secretary; Debs Falcone, Christian Fellowship Secretary; A. F. Baker, Attendance Secretary; Emmitt Grosskopf, Associate Membership Secretary; L. M. Nau, Literature Secretary.

worship for all, one offering, and one closing period of worship for all. This arrangement is also of great advantage for the adults. While their children are in their classes the parents have the opportunity of receiving informal instruction from the pastor. The children, on the other hand, grow up as church members and not simply as Sunday school children.

FINANCIAL

The financial system of the congregation has been highly commended by certified public accountants. As is the life of the entire congregation so the financial system is unified. All funds are deposited in one common bank account by one financial secretary and all funds are disbursed by one general treasurer. The congregation adopts a budget for its current, benevolent, and building expenses. After the budget is adopted members of the congregation indicate what they expect to contribute on a weekly basis for the ensuing year. Thereupon uniform cartons of envelopes are issued to all members regardless of age. Each Sunday the total offering is divided on a percentage basis and each fund is credited with the proper amount according to the budget adopted by the congregation. The divisions receive free-will offerings at their monthly meetings. Envelopes for these offerings are provided in the regular cartons of envelopes. These offerings are put on deposit with the general treasurer and the divisions have the privilege of ordering disburse-



HUGO F. HEIMANN
Sponsor of Men's Division

WOMEN'S DIVISION



OFFICERS

First row: Mrs. H. J. Raatz, Associate Membership Secretary; Mrs. Claryce M. Pitts, Educational Secretary; Mrs. J. V. Irons, President; Mrs. B. B. Bohls, Vice-President and Evangelism Secretary; Mrs. W. S. Stehr, Secretary; Mrs. C. H. Warner, Treasurer; Mrs. D. W. Bohls, Altar Committee; Miss Eda Evers, Attendance Secretary.

Second row: Mrs. Oscar Olle, Hostess Chairman; Mrs. Fred W. Geyer, Christian Fellowship Secretary; Mrs. Hugo F. Heimann, Literature Secretary; Mrs. Edna Kuse, Thank-Offering Secretary; Mrs. Richard Hielscher, Communion Committee; Mrs. P. F. Hermann, Communion Committee.

Third row: Mrs. David G. Wright, Altar Committee; Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt, Boxwork Secretary; Mrs. E. E. Bohls, Altar Committee; Mrs. E. R. Werner, Worship Secretary; Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Children of the Church Secretary; Mrs. T. E. Artz, Communion Committee.

Not shown in picture: Mrs. O. L. Tietz, Altar Committee.

ments for their own current expenses. The Biblical standard of the tithe is urged but is not a requirement for membership.

CONGREGATIONAL EVANGELISM

Believing that being a Christian implies giving testimony concerning the faith the entire membership is called upon at frequent intervals to engage in evangelistic work in the form of personal witness bearing. This task is carefully organized in a plan known in our congregation as the "Week of Witness."

On a given Sunday announcement is made of a coming Week of Witness. Cards are distributed to the membership for signature, volunteering to go with some fellow member within a specified time to call on prospects assigned to the visitation team. These volunteers are then arranged in pairs of two and the assignments are prepared. At a meeting of all volunteers during the following week the visitors first engage in prayer and meditation upon the sacred calling of being witness bearers of the saving faith of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is followed by a discussion of problems and objections encountered as evangelists. With the assignments

are given visitation packets containing copies of the Gospel, descriptive literature concerning our congregation, cards for application for membership, and other pertinent materials. The visitors are then dismissed with a prayer and the benediction. Within a week's time all contacts are made and the visitors make their reports on form cards provided.



MRS. W. S. STEHR
Sponsor of Women's Division

YOUTH'S DIVISION



SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

First row: Jeanette Hartkoff, Cor. Sec.; James Olle, Lit. Sec.; Bernard Kuse, Asso. Memb. Sec.; Mary Jane Wright, Treas.; Herbert Metzger, Ed. Sec.; Frank Kuse, Pres.; Helen Raschke, Att. Sec.

Second row: Dorothy Hermann, Rec. Sec.; Viola Steves, Evang. Sec.; Ideal Bohls, Int. Sec.; Elvira Hermann, Chr. Fellowship Sec.; Ruth Suehs, Worship Sec.

Not shown in picture: Garvin Pope, Vice-Pres.



MISS IDEAL BOHLS
Superintendent
of Intermediate Department

INTERMEDIATE LUTHER LEAGUE

First row: Ruby Johnson, Chr. Fel'ship Sec.; Mary Ann Nicholson; Mary Raesz, Sec.; Virginia Fuchs, Vice-Pres.; Lucille Kretschmar, Asso. Memb. Sec.; Sharon Raatz, Ed. Sec.

Second row: Clarence Albers, Att. Sec.; Leroy Raschke, Treas.; Alice Nell Olle, Evang. Sec.; Charles Wendlandt, Pres.; Wallace Geyer, Bible Reading Sec.

Not shown in picture: Charles Dahlstrom, W. Sec.



DR. S. W. BOHLS
Sponsor
of Youth's Division



THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH



OFFICERS AND LEADERS

First row: Mrs. H. J. Raatz, Junior Girls' Leader; Mrs. R. L. Gorham, Primary Leader; Mrs. H. F. Metzger, General Secretary; Mrs. E. J. Fuchs, Junior Boys' Leader; Mrs. E. C. Ohlendorf, Beginners' Leader; Mrs. Edna Kuse, Assistant Beginners' Leader.

Second row: Gerard Kern, President; Betty Jean Olle, Vice-President; Lois Dell Albers, Secretary; Walter Wendlandt, Treasurer. Not shown in picture: Mrs. H. E. Degler, Cradle Roll Superintendent.

In this manner as many as 300 calls have been made by the members of our congregation within one week. Like the disciples whom our Lord sent forth these evangelists of our own day come back rejoicing and amazed at the glorious workings of the Holy Spirit even in our day.

Largely on the basis of contacts made by these visitors groups of adults are gathered for a series of

lectures on fundamental Christian truths as often as practicable during the year. This course of lectures, delivered by the pastor, gives those who have never studied the Bible an opportunity to become acquainted with the faith of the Church. They can then make an intelligent decision concerning the Christian life. If they decide to accept Christ they are received into the membership of the congregation upon public confession of faith, known in the Lutheran Church as the Rite of Confirmation.



MRS. H. F. METZGER, M.A.
General Secretary of
the Children of the Church

AFFILIATION

The First English Lutheran Church is part of the United Lutheran Church in America. This Body was organized in 1918 as the first large merger of Protestants in America. In 1937 the United Lutheran Church had a baptized membership of 1,797,088 souls. The executive headquarters of our Church are in New York City. Dr. F. H. Knubel, who visited in Austin in April, 1937, has been the president since the organization of the United Lutheran Church having been reelected every two years at the biennial conventions.

There are 32 constituent synods in the United Lutheran Church. The Texas Synod is one of the

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION



OFFICERS AND TEACHERS

First row: David G. Wright, Attendance Secretary; Jack Jackson, Librarian; S. E. Dahlstrom, Intermediate Boys' Teacher; Mrs. L. M. Nau, Secretary; Mrs. B. B. Bohls, Primary Girls' Teacher; Ben Marburger, Primary Boys' Teacher; G. G. Albers, Junior Boys' Teacher.

Second row: Mrs. C. C. Albers Birthday Secretary; Miss Elsie Miller, Beginners' Teacher; Mrs. E. J. Fuchs, Senior Teacher; Miss Ideal Bohls, Junior Girls' Teacher; Miss Viola Steves, Nursery Teacher; Mrs. C. A. Nau, Intermediate Girls' Teacher. Not shown in picture: A. F. Baker, Principal; Rev. Fred W. Kern, Adult Teacher.

smallest of these. The chief strength of our church is in the East and the North. Ever since its organization the United Lutheran Church has prayed and worked for a complete union of all Lutheran Church bodies in America.

The men of our congregation cooperate in the program of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran

Church in America. Headquarters of the national Brotherhood are in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Our local Brotherhood recently attained the distinction of having the largest subscription list to "Lutheran Men," the official organ of the Brotherhood of the U.L.C.A., of any congregational Brotherhood in the United States and Canada. In like manner the women of our congregation are affiliated and cooperate with the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. The official magazine of the women is "Lutheran Woman's Work." The young people of our congregation are affiliated with and support the program of the Luther League of America. Headquarters of the women and the young people are in Philadelphia. Our young people subscribe to "The Luther League Review," official magazine of the youth of the United Lutheran Church.

The national Brotherhood, Women's Missionary Society, and Luther League have their corresponding organizations in the Texas Synod, in like manner as the Texas Synod itself is a constituent and constitutional part of the United Lutheran Church. Pastor Kern is the president of the Texas Synod, Dr. C. C. Albers of our congregation is the president of the Texas Synodical Brotherhood, and Frank Kuse of our congregation is the president of the Texas Synodical Luther League.



DR. C. C. ALBERS
Director
of Parish Education

STATISTICS

During the first three years of the history of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church the accessions have each year exceeded one hundred souls. The congregation was begun with forty-three founders. Charter membership was held open ninety days and at the end of that period totaled fifty-two.

It is noteworthy that one hundred and four adults were received who were not formerly Lutherans and in many cases not even confessed Christians. Thirty-one of these were received by adult baptism. This is evidence that in obeying our Lord's command to bear witness we have not confined ourselves to former Lutherans.

The largest number of accessions is found in the column of renewals. One hundred and seventy-nine Lutherans who for one reason or another had severed connections with the Church have been reclaimed.

It is significant that fifty-one infants were baptized. Of these eighteen were children of non-members. Much credit must be given to the cradle roll department of the congregation for this large figure.

The happiest indication of true spirituality is the fact that members have come to the Lord's Table 1891 times during these three years. This number has grown steadily.

Following is a summary:

Accessions	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Totals
Adult Baptism	7	15	9	31
Confirmation	20	27	26	73
Transfer	6	2	9	17
Renewal	93	47	39	179
Children	20	16	15	51
Infant Baptism	12	17	22	51
Totals.....	158	124	120	402

Losses:

Deaths	1	1	5	7
Transfer	0	0	4	4
Otherwise	0	7	5	12
Totals.....	1	8	14	23

Present Membership:

Baptized	379
Confirmed	285
Communicant	221
Church School Enrollment	306
Brotherhood	88
Women's Society	133
Senior Luther League	54
Intermediate Luther League	20
Children of the Church	84

MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

In addition to the donations made by members for the purchase of our property, and in addition to the regular contributions to the building fund, we are happy to acknowledge the following special gifts:

The Altar: Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Suehs—in memory of their daughters, Elvira Amanda Justine and Loraine Justine Suehs.

The Candlesticks: Mr. and Mrs. Alton Rinn—in memory of Mrs. Rinn's brother, Frederick Leonhard Rosencranz.

The Altar Cross: Pastor and Mrs. Fred W. Kern—in memory of Pastor Kern's father, the Rev. Karl Kern, and Mrs. Kern's mother, Mrs. Sophie F. Eidam.

The Altar Vases: Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Tietz—in memory of Mr. Tietz's sister, Miss Frieda Emilie Tietz.

The Altar Desk and Service Book: Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rieger, Jr.—in memory of Mrs. Rieger's mother, Mrs. Hattie Roesle.

The Red Altar Hanging: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Olle—in memory of Mr. Olle's father, Charles Frederick Olle.

The Green Altar Hanging: Miss Viola Steves—in honor of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Steves.

The Fair Linen: Mr. and Mrs. Milton T. Paine—in memory of Mrs. Paine's mother, Mrs. Amelia Nelson Hoeglund.

The Dossal: Dr. S. W. Bohls—in memory of his wife, Mrs. Alfreda Mollenhauer Bohls.

The Dossal Rod: Mrs. Edna Kuse—in memory of her husband, Frank F. Kuse.

The Credence Bracket: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Warner—in memory of Mrs. Warner's father, Emil Henry Bohls, and Mr. Warner's father, Axel Warner.

The Receiving Bason: Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones—gift.

The Offering Plates: Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones—gift.

The Pulpit and Lectern Bibles: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fuchs—in honor of their daughters, Virginia Blanche, and Anabel Rose Fuchs.

The Book Marks: Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt—gift.

The Organ: Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mollenhauer—in memory of their daughter, Mrs. Alfreda Mollenhauer Bohls.

The Choir Gowns: Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt—in memory of her husband, Carl Wendlandt.

One Nave Lantern: Mrs. Minnie Wenzel—in memory of her son, Walter Frederick Wenzel.

One Nave Lantern: The Brotherhood—gift.

One Nave Lantern: Mrs. Mary Nelson—in memory of her husband, Amel Theodore Nelson.

The Hand of God Pew: Mrs. Mary Nelson—in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franz Schmidt.

The Luther Rose Pew: Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stehr—gift.

The Agnus Dei Pew: The E. C. Miller Family—gift.

Hand Carved Symbols and Rosettes: Mr. Peter Mannsbendel—in honor of Prof. C. Klaerner.

Clerestory Window, "The Word": Prof. and Mrs. H. E. Degler—in honor of Prof. Degler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Henry Degler.

Clerestory Window, "Peace-Forgiveness": The Schoedel Family—in memory of their mother, Mrs. William (Lena) Schoedel.

Clerestory Window, "God's Bounty": Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Ankele—in honor of Mrs. Ankele's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Eckenfels, and in memory of Mr. Ankele's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ankele.

Clerestory Window, "The Holy Ghost": Mrs. Elizabeth Olle—in memory of her husband, Charles Frederick Olle.

Clerestory Window, "The Holy Trinity": Frank W. Woolsey—in memory of his mother, Mrs. Minnie Woolsey.

Clerestory Window, "The Lamb of God": Mr. and Mrs. Alton Rinn—in memory of Mrs. Rinn's brother, Lenhard Walter Rosencranz.

The St. Matthew Window: Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Menn—in memory of their daughter, Evelyn Lenora Menn.

The St. Mark Window: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar A. Menn—in memory of Mr. Menn's sister, Evelyn Lenora Menn.

The St. Luke Window: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Menn—in memory of Mr. Menn's sister, Evelyn Lenora Menn.

The St. John Window: Mr. and Mrs. David G. Wright—in honor of Mr. Wright's daughter, Miss Mary Jane Wright, and in memory of her mother, Mrs. Jane Clare Wright.

The Speaker System: Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bohls—gift.

The Guest Book: Mr. and Mrs. Pietro Laurito—gift.

The Indoor Announcer: The Luther League—gift.

The Bell: Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Albers—gift.

One Piano: Dr. S. W. Bohls—in memory of his wife, Mrs. Alfreda Mollenhauer Bohls.

One Piano: Mrs. Marie Winter—gift.

The Cornerstone: Rex D. Kitchens—in honor of the Rev. Fred W. Kern and the members of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The Outdoor Bulletin Board: Paul H. Klaerner and Walter Klaerner.

ADDITIONAL MEMORIALS ORDERED

Clerestory Window, "Cluster of Grapes": Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Limberg—in honor of their daughter, Eugenie.

Clerestory Window, "Sheaf of Wheat": Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Metzger—in honor of their son, Herbert.

Clerestory Window, "Harp": Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Raatz—in memory of their daughter, Valerie Mae.

West Rose Window: The Women's Society—gift.

Two Flower Stands: David G. Wright—in honor of Mrs. David G. Wright.

Purple Altar Hanging: The E. C. Miller Family—gift.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

THE VESTRY

Meets First Tuesday each Month, 8:00 P. M.

Rev. Fred W. Kern, Pastor

Dr. P. E. Suehs	Vice-President	Dr. C. C. Albers	Director of Parish Education
Mrs. Claryce M. Pitts	Secretary	Fred Raschke	Director of Evangelism
G. G. Albers	Financial Secretary	Dr. S. W. Bohls	Sponsor of Youth Division
H. J. Raatz	General Treasurer	Hugo F. Heimann	Sponsor of Men's Division
Dr. C. A. Nau	Church Treasurer	Mrs. W. S. Stehr	Sponsor of Women's Division
Dr. J. V. Irons	Worship Secretary	R. L. Gorham	Director of Christian Fellowship

BROTHERHOOD

Meets Second Tuesday each Month, 8:00 P. M.

Hugo F. Heimann, President

R. L. Gorham	Vice-President	H. E. Nauert	Evangelism Secretary
Edward Wendlandt	Secretary	Emmitt Grosskopf	Associate Membership Secretary
B. B. Bohls	Treasurer	F. E. Miller	Educational Secretary
Fred Fischer	Worship Secretary	L. M. Nau	Literature Secretary
A. F. Baker	Attendance Secretary	Debs Falcone	Christian Fellowship Secretary

WOMEN'S SOCIETY

Meets Third Tuesday each Month, 8:00 P. M.

Mrs. J. V. Irons	President	Mrs. F. W. Geyer	Christian Fellowship Secretary
Mrs. B. B. Bohls	Vice-President	Mrs. Oscar C. Olle	Hostess Chairman
Mrs. W. S. Stehr	Secretary	Mrs. Edna Kuse	Thank-Offering Secretary
Mrs. C. H. Warner	Treasurer	Mrs. Sophie Wendlandt	Box Work Secretary
Mrs. E. R. Werner	Worship Secretary	Mrs. E. E. Bohls	Altar Committee
Miss Eda Evers	Attendance Secretary	Mrs. David G. Wright	Altar Committee
Mrs. B. B. Bohls	Evangelism Secretary	Mrs. O. L. Tietz	Altar Committee
Mrs. Hugo Heimann	Literature Secretary	Mrs. D. W. Bohls	Altar Committee
Mrs. H. J. Raatz	Associate Membership Secretary	Mrs. P. E. Hermann	Communion Committee
Mrs. Claryce M. Pitts	Educational Secretary	Mrs. Richard Hielscher	Communion Committee
		Mrs. T. E. Artz	Communion Committee

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Meets Fourth Tuesday each Month, 8:00 P. M.

Dr. C. C. Albers, Director

Mrs. L. M. Nau	Secretary	Ben Marburger	Primary Boys
A. F. Baker	Principal	Miss Ideal Bohls	Junior Girls
David G. Wright	Attendance Secretary	G. G. Albers	Junior Boys
Mrs. C. C. Albers	Birthday Secretary	Mrs. C. A. Nau	Intermediate Girls
Miss Viola Steves	Nursery Department	S. E. Dahlstrom	Intermediate Boys
Miss Elsie Miller	Beginners' Department	Mrs. E. J. Fuchs	Senior Department
Mrs. B. B. Bohls	Primary Girls	Rev. Fred W. Kern	Adult Department

SENIOR LUTHER LEAGUE

Meets First and Third Sundays, 8:00 P. M.

Frank Kuse, President

Garvin Pape	Vice-President	Lynette Raschke	Attendance Secretary
Dorothy Hermann	Secretary	James Olle	Literature Secretary
Mary Jane Wright	Treasurer	Bernard Kuse	Associate Membership Secretary
Ruth Suehs	Worship Secretary	Herbert Metzger	Educational Secretary
Viola Steves	Evangelism Secretary	Elvira Hermann	Christian Fellowship Secretary
Ideal Bohls	Intermediate Superintendent	Jeanette Hartkopf	Corresponding Secretary

INTERMEDIATE LUTHER LEAGUE

Meets First and Third Friday, 4:00 P. M.

Miss Ideal Bohls	Superintendent	Alice Nell Olle	Evangelism Secretary
Charles Wendlandt	President	Clarence Albers	Attendance Secretary
Virginia Fuchs	Vice-President	Lucille Kretschmar	Associate Membership Secretary
Mary Raesz	Secretary	Sharon Raatz	Educational Secretary
Leroy Raschke	Treasurer	Ruby Johnson	Christian Fellowship Secretary
Charles Dahlstrom	Worship Secretary	Wallace Geyer	Bible Reading Secretary

THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Meets First and Third Friday, 4:00 P. M.

Mrs. H. F. Metzger, Secretary

Gerard Kern	President	Mrs. E. C. Ohlendorf	Leader—Beginners
Betty Jean Olle	Vice-President	Mrs. Edna Kuse	Leader—Beginners
Lois Dell Albers	Secretary	Mrs. R. L. Gorham	Leader—Primary
Walter Wendlandt	Treasurer	Mrs. H. J. Raatz	Leader—Junior
Mrs. H. E. Delger	Leader—Cradle Roll	Mrs. E. J. Fuchs	Leader—Junior

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Meets Every Wednesday, 8:00 P. M.

R. Cochrane Penick, Director

Elmer J. Fuchs	President	Miss Margaret Schoedel	Librarian
Mrs. R. D. Midkiff	Secretary	Mrs. Wm. Limberg	Accompanist

Dedication Memento Sponsors

The following institutions and individuals, who by their kindness and generosity have made this memento possible, hereby offer us their compliments and congratulations upon the completion of our new church. They, in turn, will appreciate our patronage.

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McGraw Roofing Company	C. N. Avery
Renfro Drug Stores	V. B. Graham
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West Austin Drug Store	Stewart Photo Company
West Austin Cleaners	Stovall-Richter Printing Company
Sixth & Blanco Service Station	



The Services

THE SERVICE OF DEDICATION

Sunday, September 24, 1939, 10:30 a. m.

Liturgist, The Rev. A. A. Hahn, Pastor St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Cuero, Texas.

Sermon, "*The Desire of Prophets and Kings*," The Rev. Fred W. Kern.

Anthems, "*Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Portals*," G. Wennerberg.

"*On God, Not on Myself*," M. Lundquist.

Organist, R. Cochrane Penick.

VESPERS—SYNODICAL SERVICE

Sunday, September 24, 7:30 p. m.

Liturgists, The Rev. Paul Bechter, Pastor Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Yoakum, Texas.

The Rev. James F. Vorkoper, Pastor St. Luke's Lutheran Church, San Antonio, Texas.

Sermon, The Rev. A. A. Hahn, Pastor St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Cuero, Texas.

Anthems, "*The Heavens Resound*".....Beethoven

"*Song of Praise*".....Bach-Christiansen

VESPERS—CITY NIGHT

Tuesday, September 26, 8:00 p. m.

Liturgist, The Rev. Fred W. Kern.

Greetings by Ministers of Austin, Mayor Tom Miller, and Mr. Walter Long, Manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Anthems, "*Great God, What Do I See and Hear*".....Martin Luther

"*Hark, Hark My Soul*".....H. R. Shelley

COMMUNITY NIGHT

Wednesday, September 27, 8:00 p. m.

Guest Organist, Dr. C. P. Boner.

The sound film, "*The Thunder of the Sea*."

VESPERS—BUILDERS' SERVICE

Thursday, September 28, 8:00 p. m.

Liturgist, The Rev. Fred W. Kern.

Sermon, "*So Built We the Wall*," The Rev. Nathaniel H. Kern, Pastor Grace Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas.

Children's Choir, "*Now Thank We All Our God*".....Creuger-Rinkart

"*Beautiful Saviour*".....J. A. Seiss

MUSICAL VESPERS

Friday, September 29, 8:00 p. m.

Guest of Honor, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

Guest Organist, Fredrick P. Savage.

Anthems, "*God Be Merciful*".....Costa

"*O How Lovely Is Zion*".....Romberg

"*Jesus Is My Joy, My All*".....M. Lundquist

Solos, "*I Will Extol Thee*".....Michael Costa

Mrs. Fred W. Kern

"*Come to Me*".....Beethoven-Aslanoff

Mr. Lester Brenizer

COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday, October 1, 10:30 a. m.

Anthem, "*Jesus, Word of God Incarnate*".....Gounod