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KALENDAR FOR APRIL.

- 5. Fifth Sunday in Lent. Envelope No. 6.
- 12. Palm Sunday, Part 1 of the Passion History will be read at vesper service
- 13. Second Passion service, 7:30 P. M.
 - 14. Third Passion service.
- 15. Wed. Confession and Absolution at the Fourth Passion service.
- 16. Thurs. Holy Communion at the Fifth Passion service.
- 17. Good Friday, Sixth Passion service, 10:30 A. M. Confession and Absolution at 7:30.
- 19. Easter, Sunday School at 9:30 A. M.; Holy Communion, at 10:30 A. M.; special Easter service by the Sunday School at 6:30 P. M.
 - 26. First Sunday after Easter.

The Synodical year closes with April 30.

THE LUTHER LEAGUE.

A very interesting meeting of the Luther League, of Grace, was held Tuesday evening, March 10. Eight new members were received into the chapter on this occasion. The League is rapidly growing, and is in a flourishing condition financially. The meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

The first meeting of the month being of a business character and the second of a social nature, the young people of the congregation would find it a source of much pleasure and benefit to attend these meetings. An earnest invitation is extended to all to join this very important auxiliary of Grace church.

NEW CHURCH PROGRESS.

The oak panel work on the ceiling of the church is finished and the scaffolding is being taken down.

The plasterers are at work lathing the church and will soon commence to plaster the auditorium.

Artists from Philadelphia are here preparing the plaster figures and other special features connected with the arch over the pulpit.

Contractor Gesell successfully hung our new bell in the tower Wednesday morning, March 25.

All the protection glass has been set, so that now the building is storm proof and the finishing work can go on uninterrupted.

Workmen are engaged in placing the stone steps in position at the Queen street entrance.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Sunday School Association held Tuesday evening, March 24, it was decided to exchange our two old organs and piano, with a small cash consideration, for a new Burdett organ.

A balance of \$25.68 was reported in the treasury.

To date, about \$4,100 has been raised toward our \$5,000 pledge.

The Sunday School has transferred \$308.91 from their improvement fund to the Building Committee, to pay for the rebuilding of the old pipe organ.

It was decided to have shades hung at the south windows.

Before adjournment a very helpful discussion on various phases of Sunday School work was entered into by all present.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL SESSION, 0:30 A. M. MORNING SERVICE, 10:45 o'clock each Lord's

CATECHETICAL CLASS, 6:15 P. M.

MISSION BAND, 6 30 P. M.

Day

EVENING SERVICE, 7:30 o'clock each Lord's Day.
JUNIOR LUTHER LEAGUE, Mondays at 6:30 P. M.
LUTHER LEAGUE, Second and Fourth Thesdays.
MID-WEEK SERVICE, Wednesdays at 7:30 P. M.
LENTEN SERVICES, Each Thesday and Friday at
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A CORRECTION.

It was the pianola of Mr. Henry Wolf that figured at the recent Pink Tea, and not Prof. Wm. A. Wolf, as the city papers announced. Professor Wolf feels a very great interest in Grace, but he is not a dealer either in instruments or sheet music as is Mr. H. Wolf.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

		Att.	Col.
March	1	367	\$5.50
March	8	367	5,36
March	15	366	5.04
	22		5.70
	29		4.59

The annual excursion or picnic of the school will be held at Penryn Park on Friday, July 10. Rates for the same will be announced later. The Pink Tea held February 26 and 27 increased the S. S. fund by \$576.56. The Old Maids' Convention raised about \$195 for the S. S. Imp. Fund.

Prior to Easter, Sunday School at 9 A. M. for the practice of Easter hymns.

THE PINK TEA.

The Altar Society begs to return with sincerest gratitude their heartfelt thanks to all persons who assist: ed them to make their suppers of February 26 and 27 so finely successful. The following persons are known to have assisted: J. Fred'k Sener, C. G. Schuberth, F. K. Sener, J. A. Goll, J. Calvin Schutte, P. Rudy, H. Nolty, H. O. Leachey, C. B. Keller, A. W. Livingston, Misses Madeline Welchans, Eleanor Gerhart, Helen Stulb, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Todd, Harriet and Helen Keller, Myra Swartz, Mary Reith, Mary S. Goodell, Emma Stormfeltz, Mary and Helen Guthrie, Mary Cruser, Esther Goll, Grace Rudy, Anna Goos. Mary Frick, Miriam Rudy, Anna B. Bard, Mary E. Mary R. Sheaffer, Lillian Bergman, Minnie F. Woerner, Minnie Dunwoody, Fannie M. Speidel, Gertrude Leachey, Cora Fisher, Florence Marion, Helen Wohlsen, Irene Smeltz, Mary Hoefel, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Hostetter, Miss Katie A. Griel, Mrs. D. H. Miller, Mrs. Lottie Sprecher, Mrs. L. Myers, Mrs. M. Hupper, Miss A. Powl, Mrs. B. Grant Stauffer, Mrs. M. McGlinn, Mrs. Neuman, Mrs. Sommer, Miss Hudson, Miss S. Nelson, Mrs. S. Zecher, Miss Mary Machmer, Mr. and Lutz, Elizabeth Mrs. Aaron Ginder, Rebecca DeHaven, Mrs. Sue Hauf, Misses J. and M. Keller, Mr. W. Blickenderfer, G. and J. Ganss, W. Fuhrman, J. P. Hollinger, R. C. Seldomridge, William Graf, John H. Boehringer, J. H. B. Wolf; orchestration by J. George Brubaker, H. M. Spangler, H. D. Appenzeller, E. W. Diffenbaugh; pianola, Mr. H. Wolf. Also the entire force of the Altar Society.

A number of very interesting letters have come from Dr. Amy B. Rohrer. of India, telling of her work in the large field that is before her.

SOME NEVER ATTEND ONE SERVICE

THE CHOIR.

Our choir has been materially improved by the recent addition of six new members, as well as by the return of several who were with us in the old building. As soon as the extra rehearsing which the above addition necessarily causes is over, it is the intention to prepare for a special concert given by the choir, one of the features of which will be the rendition of some favorite songs of a generation or so ago, which are seldom held at the present time.

Soon after Easter an organ recital will be given by Master Richard Stockton, the boy organist, of Lancaster. Although not yet thirteen years of age, he is an excellent performer, and he will be assisted by several vocalists of the city, who are strangers to our congregation. All of these people will donate their services, and a most interesting recital can be promised. The proceeds of a silver collection will be for the benefit of the choir fund for the new church.

DO YOU?

"Some go to church just for a walk,
Some go there to laugh and talk;
Some go there the time to spend,
Some go there to meet a friend;
Some go to learn the parson's name,
Some go there to wound his fame;
Some go there for speculation,
Some go there for observation;
Some go there to doze and nod,
Do you go there to worship God?"

AFTER COMMUNION THOUGHTS.

It is a beautiful sight to witness the coming up to the Holy Supper of the congregation of the faithful. But their fidelity throws into great and shadowy contrast the great number of those who are inattentive and careless in the matter. It is impossible for the pastor to remember all those who have partaken. Hence the importance of the habit of writing one's name on the name slip provided or bringing it already written.

NOTES.

Please do not forget to place your name among the offerings at the services on the night of Confession and Absolution.

Classes 26 and 17, taught by the Misses E. Myers and M. G. Mifflin, announce a sandwich social for the Sunday School Improvement Fund on April 23, 1908.

We regret to announce the removal from this city of Mrs. Kath. Breitigam and her family to Kansas City, Kas. Her daughters, Irene and Florence, were active workers in the organization of the Guild. May they all find a new and genial home among relatives in the West.

Dr. Carroll reports that the Lutheran Church gained in 1907, 65,172 members. We now number 2,022,605 souls. The percentage of gain is one in 33, or .03. There are now 8,040 ministers and 13,169 churches in the twenty-three Lutheran bodies. We have gained 168 churches and 135 pastors during a single year. This is a larger increase proportionally than that of any other leading body of Christians.

Additional contributors to the Improvement Fund are Mrs. S. M. Lutz, Miss M. G. Mifflin, Davis H. Chesser, Mrs. R. Fetterly and Mrs. James Sweger.

In religion it is not fair to attempt to make ready for eternity in an hour at some revival (?) service. The utmost thought that can be bestowed is none too much for it.

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