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REV. PROF. ALBERT T. CLAY, Ph. D.

Among the "Sons of Grace" who have become distinguished in their chosen callings, none is perhaps more loyal and devoted than he whose portrait adorns this page. Born December 4, 1866, and early brought for holy baptism by his godly parents, John Martin and Mary Barbara Clay,—both of whom were very active in the early history of Grace Church,—he was confirmed on Palm Sunday, April 2, 1882.

He began his life at the printer's case and was afterwards a clerk in one of our local hardware stores. He decided to devote his life to the holy ministry. He prepared for college with Rev. Dr. Haupt at the parsonage, studied at Muhlenberg and Franklin and Marshall Colleges, and the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia and the University of Pennsylvania

He entered the holy ministry of the Lutheran Church June 13, 1892, built a handsome new stone church in South Bethlehem, Pa., and became a specialist in Hebrew and Assyrian languages in the seminaries at Chicago, Mt. Airy and the University of Pennsylvania. At present he is the acting head of this department at both Mt. Airy and the University. He has published a number of valuable works.

Give love, and love to your heart will
flow,
A strength in your utmost need;
Have faith and a score of hearts will
show
Their faith in your work and deed.

THE FAREWELL.

With the ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 28, 1907, we noted the close of a full year of occupation of the Jewish Temple Shaarai Shomayim. This has been a remarkable epoch in our history. It is rarely that such a courtesy has been extended and enjoyed. No article of our faith has been compromised, and we gratefully appreciate every favor that we have received, the financial help which many from a distance have sent us toward our great work, and the encouragement which the people of the old religion of the law and good works have done to us of Grace in the new religion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will pray for them all. Would that we might take them over with us, not merely into the larger newer house of the Grace of God but into the more complete and perfect religion of the Son of God, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May they all soon, with us, give their hearts fully to him to be justified freely from sin by his perfection.

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RESOLUTIONS.

Grace Place, City of Lancaster, Pa.

To the Rev'd Rabbi and the Officers of the Temple Shaarai Shomayim; North Duke and East James streets, City of Lancaster, Pa.:

Gentlemen and Friends: After a most pleasant sojourn in your Temple, lasting longer than we thought it must, it now becomes our duty to sever the connection that for so long has held us, and to relinquish our pleasant tarrying-place with you, on our way to our new church-home; and to express the unanimous action of the Sunday School Association of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church; who, at their regular meeting, held on July 14, 1907, voted to you our heartfelt and deep appreciation of the very great favor that you have done to us, in granting to our schools for this year the privilege of assembling here, for worship, and instruction in holy things.

We have sought, as officers and teachers, to keep everything in perfect order and condition; and, if there is anything that has been destroyed, we shall try to replace it as well as we can.

The highest duty and noblest honor of man is worship. And, recognizing this fact, as we know that you do, from your ethical standpoint of Jewish culture; as purely as we Evangelical Lutherans do, from our vantage ground of faith in Jesus as the God-man, we beg to convey to you, Gentlemen, both collectively and individually, our deep appreciation of the very great favor that you have rendered to us in this time of our need; and again to reassure you, that, should you at any time be in want of aid and we have an opportunity to extend a similar favor to you; or, for your sakes, to others; we shall esteem it a happy occasion on our parts, so to do.

Meanwhile, we shall remain very cordially and gratefully your friends and neighbors, of the Sunday School Association of the Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, of the City of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

NOTES.

August 12th, 1907, marks the first anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the new building.

Our Michaelmas Communion will be the first one celebrated in the new building.

We are glad to report that the new building is now under roof and we expect the completion of the building to be rushed forward with more vigor than has thus far been shown. We understand the contractor is in no way responsible for the delay, but a multitude of petty delays have held the whole building back. By the time our October number comes from the press we expect to greet you all in the handsome new Sunday School room.

No sooner do we need, than lo! the Lord provides for us! On August 4th, by the kind invitation of the Church of Emmanuel, we began the worship of the Lord within the walls of their beautiful house. The members of Grace gratefully appreciate this kindness and assure these our co-religionists that if at any time there is need

of shelter from a storm of circumstances, the doors of Grace will stand invitingly open to both pastor and people of "Emmanuel."

We welcome to our editorial staff one of the strong Sons of Grace in the person of Paul H. Heisey. He has contributed an article in a former issue of "Grace" and also to the literature of the Lutheran Church by the recent publication of an address delivered by him before the Northwest Conference of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Kansas, entitled, "Lutheran Young People and the Future."

His treatment of the subject is in his usual vigorous style and we cannot say too much in praise of it. All of our Lutheran people should possess a copy and read it. It is the real vital question of the church at large, and may we say of "Grace Church" in particular?

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.**Order.**

It is a mistake to suppose that order can be secured merely by the asking. The fact is, it should not be necessary that a request be made for order; nor should it be necessary for the superintendent to refer to it except by way of encouragement for good attention.

A clock should be placed, if possible, in such a position, as to be seen by all, and when the time arrives, according to the opening exercises, the first item should be started without calling to order. This manner of starting the exercises, should soon become a habit, and this once formed, the question of order should be settled so far as the teachers and pupils are concerned. But the teachers and pupils are not the only offenders. The officers sometimes will violate the good order rule as flagrantly as any one else, by passing among the classes, and speaking to the teachers or for various other purposes. This should not be allowed, except for the reason that the conversation relates entirely to school matters.

When the teachers have taken their classes for the lesson, the time occupied in teaching the lesson should be regarded as sacred, and they should not be molested, but they should be protected.

There are always a number of persons about a Sunday School not occupied during the lesson; and these should observe the greatest care and the same decorum and quietness that they would during church service. This impresses the scholars with the importance of the time, and greatly aids the teachers in keeping attention.

Please do not say anything unkind or faultfinding about others or to them. The tongue has driven many persons away from the house of God.

Beware of a religion that retreats into itself.
Ignorance is everybody's enemy.

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