

# GRACE

*Grace and Truth came by Jesus Christ.—St. John 1:17.*

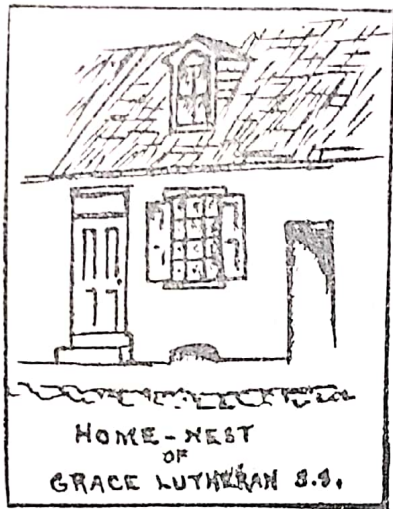
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## SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.

We present to our readers a sketch of the spot where Grace Sunday School began fifty-three years ago. Nothing could have been more modest or more unpretentious than the little lowly home of Mr. Jacob Millichsach, at No. 21 West James street, when on the afternoon of February 25, 1855, at 1:30 o'clock those three earnest pioneers in church-and school-life, John W. Hubley, Charles A. Heinitsh and Reuben A. Baer, called to order the little band of workers, teachers and scholars to organize the branch school on James street. The care of the school for a short time was in the keeping of Mr. John W. Hubley, then given to Mr. Charles Alfred Baer, a theological student, and later pastor at Norristown. On October 26, 1855, Mr. Reuben A. Baer began his faithful service as superintendent and continued to 1874. He was a most diligent and patient worker. The two rooms of the birthplace of the school were soon entirely too small to accommodate the rapidly growing school, and

soon new quarters were found, first at Prince and West Lemon streets, and soon after at the northwest corner of North Queen and James streets, on the third floor.

A new building erected for the school, was opened on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, October 18, 1857, on East James street, near Christian. The corner-stone of the former church on the present site was laid August 11, 1872.

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## KALENDAR.

February 2. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, envelope 49.

February 4. Church Council.

February 6. The Luther League at  
February 7. The Guild of Grace.

No. 403 East King street.

February 9. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.

February 11. The Women's Missionary Society.

February 12. Birthday of Lincoln.

February 13. The Lutheran Sunday School Convention at Marietta.

February 14. Preparatory service.

February 16. Septuagesima Holy Communion.

February 17. The Altar Society.

February 20. The Deaconesses at No. 301 East Frederick. The Luther League.

February 21. The "Old Maid's Convention" for the improvement fund.

February 22. Birthday of Washington.

February 23. Sexagesima Sunday.

Lives of great men all remind us,  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And departing leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time.

Footprints that perhaps another,  
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,  
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, may take heart again.



Born, 1732.

Died, 1799.

"A good name is rather to be chosen  
than great riches."

Fifty-third anniversary of Grace Sunday School.

February 26. Semi-annual congregational meeting.

February 29. Bisextile Day.

## NOTES.

—The entertainment given by Mrs. Swartz's class netted the Sunday School \$25.00.

—Howard Fisher, a pupil of Mrs. Swartz's class, gathered by his own efforts, a penny for each day between the last session in the old building and the first session in the new, which amounts to \$5.67.

—Mrs. Georgiana Stafford, Miss Katharine I. Pyle, William L. Rineer were elected members of the Teachers' Association on January 8.

—All the officers of the Sunday School were re-elected. J. Hay Wolfe was elected literary secretary.

—John W. Reith has been appointed superintendent and John H. Boehringer assistant superintendent, to take charge of the ushers, until the new church is completed, at which time other arrangements will be made.

Sunday School Record.

Date.	Att.	Col.
January 5 .....	361	\$6.27
January 12 .....	278	5.00
January 19 .....	346	5.48
January 26 .....	360	5.95

The new pipe organ has been received and stored in the northeast room of the first floor. Some idea of the immense size of the organ can be gained when it is known that all the parts could not be shipped in one car.

—The scaffolding has been removed from the tower, the new oak doors have been hung at the Sunday School entrance, the Sunday School pipe organ is being rebuilt, and the contractor is commencing work on the interior of the church auditorium.

(Motet used during the offering of the Alms—)

"All good things come of thee,  
O Lord:  
And of thine own have we given thee."

The Ten Commandments are still binding upon the Christian as upon the Jew. The difference consists in the willingness and gratitude in which they are kept.

"It is my joy in life to find,  
At every turning of the road,  
The strong arm of a comrade kind  
To help me onward with my load.  
And since I have no gold to give,  
And love alone must make amends,  
My only prayer is, while I live,  
God, make me worthy of my  
friends."

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Every stranger who enters "Grace" is welcome.

The Wednesday evening services will be resumed on January 29, and held in the southwest room on the first floor. They will be made full of interest. The Gospel according to St. John will form the text of the occasion, and all teachers of the Sunday School will find great gain in attending with others of the congregation.

A Junior League Mission Band is being formed to meet at 6:30 P. M. every Sunday evening in the new primary department. It is under the auspices of a committee of the Missionary Society.

Many know that Martin Luther was born November 10, 1483, but how many know that he died February 18, 1546? We can compute his age, but not the limit of his influence.

With the month of March the fiscal new year of Grace church will begin. Each member should have his packet of envelopes before hand and return them sealed containing the weekly contribution.

In case of unavoidable absence, it is well to prepare the envelope at home and to bring it when next it is possible to attend upon the worship.

The recent session of the Luther League at Trinity church, of Lebanon, was a most delightful and instructive one, full of enthusiasm and social good fellowship. Such meetings cannot but be a great benefit to the entire Lutheran church.

If the members and friends of our little monthly will devote twenty-five cents each to the subscription list, the paper will be delivered to their own or any other address regularly. It will tell others of our work and progress, who are far away in person but near in spirit. The names should be given to Mr. Harry E. Stafford, a librarian of the Sunday School.

We note with deep sympathy the sudden decease of Cyrus M. Boose, who was for a number of years up to 1893 the patient, earnest, honest, faithful janitor of Grace church. Our prayers and cordial regard are extended to his widow and her two young sons.

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