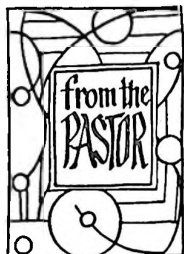


# up-to-date

SAINT LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH · N.Y.C.

17 June 1981



"In the good old summer time . . ." There's no place quite like New York "in the good old summertime!" The City is alive with thousands of tourists from the farthest corners of the earth . . . weekends quiet down a bit as Gothamites head for beaches or country places . . . and street fairs, park performances, outdoor living bring some respite from heat and confined quarters.

Saint Luke's continues a busy schedule in the summer . . . CROSSROADS Senior Center is running at full capacity . . . days punctuated with special field trips and socials in our gardens . . . more-than-the-usual-number of visitors for our Sunday worship services . . . Vacation Bible School . . . Bible classes . . . and repairing and re-painting many of the nooks and crannies of our much-used facility.

Major projects to freshen and re-habilitate our Senior Center areas are underway . . . tiling and re-modeling the restrooms for the Center . . . knocking through a doorway from the church hall/dining room to the lounge, thereby providing better security for the premises . . . and painting the entire Center area with fresh, bright colors . . .

Upstairs, in the parish house, the church lounge has undergone a happy change . . . plaster damage corrected, walls and woodwork painted, new lighting fixtures (a gift from the Ladies Aid), draperies cleaned, and -- at long last -- our beautiful collection of historical photographs hung to remind us of our past years of Grace . . . the furniture has been scrubbed to near-new condition . . . the carpet cleaned . . . what a pleasant change! Thanks to Chris Greene and our super, Bela Marics, for doing most of the cleaning and for coordinating the rest of the work . . .

With our BIG CLOSET overflowing with used clothing, distributed by our Ladies Aid Society to Senior Citizens and neighborhood needy, we finally have ample room to hang and display items . . . a large closet with sliding doors has been built in the foyer area just outside the church hall. Now we can dispose of the cartons and cartons piled up before distribution . . . and neatly and nicely sort and prepare items in advance. FRIENDS of Saint Luke helped make the new addition to the BIG CLOSET possible . . . THANKS!!



*Chris Greene is busy gathering students and staff and materials for our Vacation Bible School. This year the program will be conducted on Monday and Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 'til 8:00, from July 8 to August 5. Children from the neighborhood, 6 to 12 years, are invited to attend.*



Dr. Walter Hilse, Saint Luke's organist and choirmaster for the past 12 years is enjoying a working vacation in Europe. He presented an organ recital in Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, in May and is scheduled to perform in several German churches in June . . . John Danielson has been serving well as our organist in Dr. Hilse's absence, and Chris Greene has been directing the choir. It takes "two" to fill his shoes . . . but we're grateful for their work so well done!

Plans are underway for Saint Luke's to host the METROPOLITAN LUTHERAN YOUTH GATHERING, November 28th. Several hundred young people are expected to attend for an all-day "experience" of the Church in the Inner City.



A new venture begins at Saint Luke's in September when we welcome to our facilities the School for Young Artists. This School serves children from 3 years of age thru third grade with a fulltime education program, and with a many-faceted schedule of cultural and performing arts opportunities. The Suzuki method of violin training is employed, as well as many special learning experiences with professional musicians and performers from Broadway and Lincoln Center. Two professional teachers and a number of volunteer assistants will run the School. An enrollment of 20 to 30 children is anticipated. Opportunity will also be given for exchange with the Senior Center . . . the children "adopting" grandparents . . . and volunteers from the Center assisting with reading and conversation groups. The School will contribute for use of our facilities and utilities.'

+++ WORSHIP SCHEDULE +++



PENTECOST II June 21, 1981  
The Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock  
"A BIT OF FATHERLY ADVICE"  
Sermon by Pastor Hansen

PENTECOST III June 28, 1981  
The Service of the Word at 11 o'clock  
Sermon by Pastor Splittgerber

PENTECOST IV July 5, 1981  
The Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock  
"YOURS IS THE KINGDOM"  
Sermon by Pastor Hansen

PENTECOST V July 12, 1981  
The Service of the Word at 11 o'clock  
"NOTHING TO FEAR BUT FEAR ITSELF"  
Sermon by Pastor Hansen

PENTECOST VI July 19, 1981  
The Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock  
"A NEW LEASE ON LIFE"  
Sermon by Pastor Hansen

PENTECOST VII July 26, 1981  
The Service of the Word at 11 o'clock  
"WANT A LIFT?"  
Sermon by Pastor Hansen

YOUR WILL IS WRITTEN --- LIKE IT OR NOT!!

If you are like 70% of Americans, you have not taken the time to prepare a formal written Will. But, did you know that the State has make a Will for you? State laws make provisions for people who die without Wills . . . In affect, a standardized Last Will and Testament that applies to every citizen.

If you do not have a Will, the State will decide the welfare of your spouse and the guardianship of your children. It will greatly increase costs to your Estate, and you will not be able to help specific persons or charities.

Only YOU can replace this "guesswork" and State-made-Will by a Will of your own . . . A Will that prescribes your wishes . . . and controls the certainty that you control the distribution of your Estate.

But, by all means, don't try to write your own Will. See a qualified attorney.

A form for providing information in the event of death is available at the church office. Some of our members find it helpful to have on confidential file in the church office information helpful re: records and dates, etc., to assist family or friends at the time of death. Information is also available re: the inclusion of Saint Luke's and Lutheran charities as beneficiaries for a portion of one's Estate.

-- Adapted from Our Savior's Newsletter, Glen Head, Long Island

DID YOU KNOW THAT \*\*\*\*\*

The largest Protestant church child care agency in New York is LUTHERAN . . . Lutheran Community Services

The most recently-built hospital in New York City is LUTHERAN . . . Lutheran Medical Center, Brooklyn

The denomination that has six homes for the aging between Albany and Long Island is LUTHERAN . . .

The School known across the country for its work with deaf children is LUTHERAN . . . Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf

-- from Holy Trinity Newsletter, NYC

STEWARDSHIP NOTES . . .

"How'm I doin'?" is what a grinning Mayor Koch invariably asks his constituents.

Do you have any idea how "we're doin'"?! Our 1981 income to date is UP over last year, especially from an increase in Use Fees from non-parish organizations using our facilities. Contributions from members are UP also, but still behind our budget needs! And, we are desperately in need of help from FRIENDS to meet ever-rising costs to maintain the buildings, and pay the utilities, and keep the ministry alive and serving . . . help! help! Our deficit to date: \$ 8,100



## NEWS & NOTES

Our little garden area came through the Winter in top condition . . . what a pleasant spot that is for enjoying the quiet and lovely atmosphere of plants, shrubbery, a cup of coffee, or lemonade . . . and Pastor Splittgerber's resident pet, Mildred the Turtle. +++ Pastor Hansen returned from his vacation to rush off for a meeting in Northfield, Minnesota, of the Lutheran Summer Music committee . . . planning a four-week program for high school students at Saint Olaf College next year, musicians and performing arts students, subsidized by Aid Association for Lutherans Insurance Company. +++ Herman and Elsie Reichert enjoyed a long-awaited and well-earned post-retirement trip to California, leisurely via Amtrack, visiting family and friends along the way. +++ The Ladies Aid is again underwriting costs for our Summer Vacation Bible School . . . thanks! +++ Remember our ill sisters and brothers: Elizabeth Hutchinson, Catherine von der Au, Louise Klinge, Amanda Baltera, Henry Trick, Nancy Scheepstra, Eric Gramstedt, J. Louis Schaefer, and Alfred Lindenberg. +++

## LUKANS AND RISING STARS!

Many of our Lukans are on the road this summer: Mary Lee Stahl landed a place in the summer production of "Damn Yankees" (starring Joe Namath) at Jones Beach Outdoor Theatre . . . Charles Lavont Williams hitches his star to "Show Boat" at the Muni Opera in Saint Louis and the Atlanta Outdoor Opera . . . John Fricke has been doing the Condominium Circuit in California this past Winter and Spring . . . and now is tooling up for the Miss America Pageants in Indiana and Wisconsin, plus a one-man show (with orchestra) for the Wisconsin State Fair Grandstand . . . Marthe Ihde is singing for a series of Special "I Love New York" convention productions -- she recently returned from South America where she performed in "industrials" for American firms . . . Harry Edwards is wardrobe man for "Wally's Cafe" (starring Rita Moreno, James Coco and Sally Struthers) . . . Richard Barris appears on New York Television these days in a commercial for Bank Leumi . . . last winter he was our "friendly oil man" on many commercials for the oil industry . . .



Mary Lee Stahl



Charles L. Williams



Marthe Ihde



Gordon Weiss



John Fricke

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