

PROGRAM

Of the Forty-fifth Anniversary of the

Evangelical Lutheran Bethany Congregation

MAY 21 TO MAY 31, 1925

ORGANIZED MAY 30, 1880

REV. OLOF H. NELSON
PASTOR

Jesus said: "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit: for apart from me ye can do nothing."

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Hallelujah!

**THE PASTORS THAT HAVE SERVED
THE BETHANY CONGREGATION**

REV. A. CHALLMAN, of the La Porte District, was Chairman of the organization meeting, May 30, 1880, and vice pastor for about a year.

REV. C. B. L. BOMAN, of the Salem church, was vice pastor from the Fall of 1881, for about one and a half years.

REV. FREDRICK NIBELIUS, of the Bethlehem church, was vice pastor during 1883 and until July, 1884, when Bethany congregation received its own pastor.

REV. JOHN WIBELIUS, pastor from July 1884 to June 1887.

REV. GUSTAF LUNDAHL, pastor from July 1887 to February, 1907.

REV. PETER MARTINSON, pastor from July 1907 to July 1914.

REV. FRANK A. ENGSTRAND, pastor from October, 1914 to his Decease in February, 1916.

REV. C. EMIL BERGQUIST, pastor from July, 1916 to October, 1919.

REV. OLOF H. NELSON, pastor from December, 1919.

Several laymen and students have served Bethany during vacant periods.

Remember them that spake unto you the word of God, and imitate their faith.

Thursday, May 21st.

CHRIST'S ASCENSION DAY

Opening Concert by THE BETHANY ANNIVERSARY CHORUS, 8:15 p. m.

Assisted by:

THE SCHUBERT TRIO

MR. H. WM. NORDIN

PROF. PER OLSSON, A. A. G. O.

MISS HANNAH E. JOHNSON

MR. CLARENCE JOHNSON, Organist and Choir master

MISS CARRIE OLSON, Pianist

Address— REV. C. EMIL BERGQUIST

Jesus hail! Whose glory brightens
All above, and makes it fair;
Lord of Life, Thy smile enlightens,
Cheers, and charms Thy people here."

Sunday, May 24th.

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9:15.

Anniversary Service in Swedish, 10:15.

Liturgical Service: REV. OLOF H. NELSON and DR. G. LUNDAHL.

Sermon: DR. PETER PETERSON, Pres. of the Illinois Conference.

Song, Psalm XCVI, Wennerberg: THE BETHANY CHOIR.

Tankesprak: REV. C. EMIL BERGQUIST.

Vocal Solo: MISS ECCEDORA NELSON.

The Anniversary Offering.

Hymn: The Congregation.

This is the day (season) which the Lord hath made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it."

Afternoon, 3 p. m.

Organ Selections: MISS HANNAH JOHNSON

INVOCATION

Hymn: The Congregation

Brief History of the Bethany Church: REV. OLOF H. NELSON,
Pastor

Song, Jubilate Deo.....Buck
THE BETHANY CHOIR

GREETINGS

REV. GOTTFRED OLSON, President of Southern Chicago District
REV. WM. C. A. MARTENS, Pastor Immanuel Lutheran Church
(Missouri Synod)

REV. C. HAUGSTAD, Pastor Trinity Lutheran Church (Norwegian
Synod)

Vocal Solo: MR. CLARENCE JOHNSON

REV. JOHN DETJEN, Pastor Zion Lutheran Church (Ohio Synod)

REV. FREDRICK WERHAHN, Pastor Trinity Lutheran Church
(United Lutheran Church)

DR. ANDREW P. FORS, Pastor Bethel Lutheran Church
(Augustana Synod)

Longest in service of the pastors in the District

Vocal Duet: MISS ROMA SROMWALL
MR. CLARENCE JOHNSON

DR. GUSTAF LUNDAHL, Pastor in Bethany, 1887-1907

REV. C. EMIL BERGQUIST, Pastor in Bethany, 1916-1919

MRS. VICTORIA ENGSTRAND, Pastor' wife in Bethany, 1914-1915

Greetings by letter from REV. P. MARTINSON and others.

Hymn: The Congregation.

Refreshments served by the Ladies at 5:30 o'clock

Evening

Divine Service in English and Swedish, 7:45

The Liturgy

Song, All glory, Laud and Honor, Pike
THE BETHANY CHOIR

Sermon: REV. C. EMIL BERGQUIST

Organ Solo: MR. CLARENCE JOHNSON

Sermon: DR. G. LUNDAHL

Song, Send out Thy Light, Gounod
THE GIRLS CHORUS

Offeratory

Hymn: The Congregation

Tuesday, May 26th

Monthly meeting of the Southern Chicago District, 2 p. m.
Hymn: The Congregation

Discussion, chiefly in Swedish, on the subject: "Huru uppen-
baras sig Herrens Aude?" Text Isa. 11:2. REV. A. T. FANT,
Chaplain at the Augustana Home, will introduce this discussion
The pastor's business meeting at 4:15

Dinner will be served at 5:30 in the Church parlors. Our
charter members are special guests of honor at this time. DR.
G. LUNDAHL and others will speak

"They took food with gladness and singleness of heart, praising
God and having favor with all the people."

Evening

Divine Service at 7:45
Sermon in Swedish by REV. C.A. TOLIN, pastor of Elim Church,
Pullman

Song, Hark, Hark My Soul, Shelley: THE BETHANY CHOIR
Sermon in English by REV. JOHN H. GREGG, pastor Calvary
Church, West Chicago Lawn.

Hymn
Collection for the District Treasury
Song, Come to my Heart, Lord, Jesus, —Ambrose
Concluding remarks by the Pastor
Benediction.

Friday, May 29th

OUR SOCIETY EVENING

Organ Solo
Invocation
Hymn
Brief account of organizations
The Sunday School: MISS IDA MATTSON
Vocal Solo: MRS. E. O. HEDBERG
The Willing Workers: MISS ETHEL NELSON
The Mission Band: MR. LEONARD LARSON
Piano Solo
The Luther League: MISS JOSEPHINE YOUNG
The Priscilla Society: MISS OLGA WARD
The Choir: MISS ANNA LINMAN
Song, Israels Herde, Bortniansky: THE BETHANY CHOIR
Address: REV. E. O. HEDBERG, former student pastor in
Bethany

Hymn
The Ladies Aid: MRS. ALF. ANDERSON
Vocal Duet: REV. and MRS. E. O. HEDBERG
The Bethany Brotherhood: MR. ALFRED YOUNG
The Ruth Circle: MRS. CARRIE BARFKNECHT
Hymn: The Congregation

Sunday, May 31st

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday School and bible classes, 9:15.
Sunday School Anniversary service at 10 o'clock
Retrospect and Prospect: MISS IDA MATTSON, S. S. Supt.
Song by THE GIRL'S CHORUS
Sermonette by the Pastor
Hymn
Regular Service at 10:45
Hymn
Reception of new members
Preparatory address by the Pastor
Vocal Solo: MRS. IDA LINN COOLEY
Offeratory: MR. CLARENCE JOHNSON
Communion for the Confirmands and other members
Benediction

Evening, 7:45 p. m.

Liturgical Service
Song: CHOIR
Sermon in Swedish by DR. A. P. FORS
Hymn
Address by MR. HENRY E. LINMAN
Vocal Solo
Remarks by the Pastor
Benediction.

NOW ABIDE THESE THREE, FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE.