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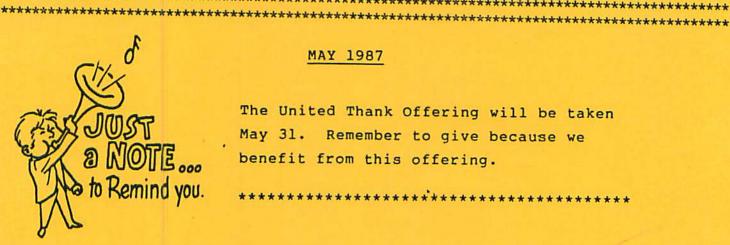
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MAY 1987

The United Thank Offering will be taken May 31. Remember to give because we benefit from this offering.

Holy Days and Holidays (Taken from May Guidepost)

7 - National Day of Prayer - all Americans are invited to turn to God in prayer and meditation.

10 Mothers Day or Festival of the Christian Home.

25 Memorial Day - Honors those who died in our nation's wars.

28 Ascension Day - Marks Jesus' ascension 40 days after His resurrection.



Fellowship Patluck follows

THE VISIONS OF A VICAR

Enter ye all into the joy of your Lord

The First, the last, to receive their reward.

Rich and poor rejoice together

Abstinence and heedless, honor the day.

Ye who have fasted, and ye who have not fasted

Rejoice together today.

Let no one bewail his poverty

For the riches of all have appeared.

Let none sorrow over his sins, for forgiveness shineth forth from the grave.

Let none fear death, for the death of the Savior hath redeemed us.

He has stamped out death who was embrace by death.

He hath made hell captive, who went down to hell.

He hath troubled it after it hath tasted his body.

O, death, where is thy sting? O, grace, where is thy victory?

Christ is risen and the demons are fallen

Christ is risen and the angels rejoice.

Christ is risen and life liveth

Christ is risen and of the dead there is none left in the grave.

For Christ risen from the dead has become the first fruit among them that sleep there.

And to him be honor and dominion, for ever and ever. AMEN

(Easter proclamation from an ancient Byzantine liturgy, circa 300 A.D.)

Mother Karen +

Items for the Calendar:

May 9: Eastern Deanery Meeting in Sioux Falls

May 14: Bishop's Committee Meeting at 7:00. Bishop Anderson will be present at that meeting. All members of the parish are invited.

May 18-21: Clergy Conference at Blue Cloud Abbey

May 31: Ascension Day UTO Ingathering

Bishop's Committee Thursday, March 19, 1987

The meeting was called to order by Mother Karen at 6:20 p.m. An opening prayer followed.

PRESENT: Brewer, Hall, Hunter, Johnson, Moose, Rethorn, Stewart, Wrobel (8)

ABSENT: DeLay, Page (2)

Motion by Rethorn and second by Moose to accept the minutes of the Jan. 15 Bishop's Committee Meeting and the Jan. 18 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

The treasurer reported a closing balance in March of \$359.19. Motion by Moose and second by Wrobel to pay \$266.66 on our pledge to the diocese. Motion carried.

Hunter reported that he and DeLay were negotiating with a carpenter on some maple flooring for the portable altar. If these negotiations do not work out, the next step would be paneling. Hall suggested the outline of the Niobrara cross on the front of the altar. Hunter suggested DeLay check with Hall on the final dimensions.

Moose suggested we contact Dave Williams in Mitchell for an estimate to work on our electronic organ. Moose will take care of this. There was much discussion on this electric home organ and the possible procurement of another one.

Wrobel suggested that the fire extinguisher needs recharging. Moose will investigate this and the price of a new one. It was decided that we should probably also have ones upstairs and in the sacristy. Moose will also investigate the price of an external fire escape ladder.

It was decided to designate Sunday, May 3, as "Bring a Friend to Church" Sunday. Mother Karen will have a brief explanation of the service in the fellowship hall before the service begins. A potluck or pancake breakfast will follow the service. Everyone agreed that we all must participate fully in this to make it successful.

Hall announced that she may be doing a service at Good Shepherd in Sioux Falls on April 5. She will be gone on vacation from April 21 through April 28.

Hall announced the Holy Week schedule:

Wed., April 15 - shared service here with St. John Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m.

Thu., April 16 - no Maundy Thursday service

Fri., April 17 - Good Friday service at noon, 12:00 Sat., April 18 - no Easter Vigil service

Sun., April 19 - Easter service at 11 a.m.

Moose announced that he and Lois are expanding the circulation of "The Alpha and the Omega", beginning with the April issue, to the nursing homes and the churches in Madison.

Meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

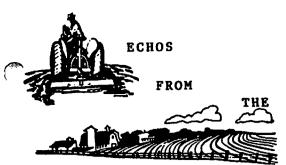
Katherine T. Brewer Clerk

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In 1872 when Rev. Cleveland entered upon his work at Lower Brule Agency he worked with teachers Miss Mary Jo Leigh and Miss H.E. Stiteler. In a log mission house on May 7, 1873 Bishop Hare preformed the marriage ceremony of Rev. Cleveland and Miss Stiteler. Rev. & Mrs. Cleveland moved to White Swan, an Indian mission. At a Christmas festival at White Swan the Rev. Cleveland married the son of Meriwether Leine to a native Indian girl named Annie. The young couple settled at Yankton, joined the Church and were both very faithful members of the Church.

The Rev. and Mrs. Cleveland lost their little son William when they were first transferred to the Spotted Tail Agency, just inside the Nebraska border. The nearest town being Yankton. The family lived there from 1875 to Oct. 1877. There were 210 Indian children enrolled in the school at this mission. The Bishop opened a boarding school at the Yankton Agency for Indian boys. It was named St. Paul's School for Indian boys. Rev. Cleveland and family took a brief vacation to his family in Orange, N.Jersy and returned as principal of the Indian School in Jan. 1878. During this time Rev. Cleveland wrote a Journal for Indians in their own language. It was called "Anpoa" or Daybreak in English.

Again the government decided to move the Indians and they were moved back to the Rosebud from Nebraska. The Indians loved Rev. Cleveland and begged him to return to the reservation to be with them, which he did. The Church of Jesus at Rosebud was erected when he returned the Indians there and many of the Indians then also returned to their former homes at Pine Ridge and the Rev. Cleveland served all. The Indians were happy and flocked to the Church services held by Rev. Cleveland.

To be continued.