



*"These forty years the Lord thy God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked nothing." Deut. 2:7.*

# 40th Anniversary



## St. Matthews Lutheran Church

KITCHENER • ONTARIO

REV. JOHN SCHMIEDER, D.D., PASTOR

Sunday, February 20th, 1944

# Order of Service

At Eleven in the Morning

ORGAN PRELUDE

Clarence Totzke, *Organist*

HYMN: THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word:  
From heaven He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride,  
With His own Blood He bought her,  
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation  
One Lord, one Faith, one Birth;  
One holy Name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy Food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With every grace endued.

Though, with a scornful wonder,  
Men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder,  
By heresies distressed;  
Yet saints their watch are keeping,  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace for evermore;  
Till, with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the church at rest.

Amen

THE INVOCATION

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

**O** MOST Merciful God, Who hast given Thine Only-Begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins: and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE INTROIT

THE KYRIE

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**G**LORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the Only-Begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord; Thou only O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 3:6-11

HYMN-ANTHEM: PRAISE TO THE LORD by *Clifford Roberts* - - *The Senior Choir*

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-19

THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN: I LOVE THY ZION LORD

I love Thy Zion, Lord,  
The house of Thine abode  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved  
With His own precious Blood.

Beyond my highest joy  
I prize her heavenly ways,  
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,  
Her hymns of love and praise.

I love Thy Church, O God!  
Her walls before Thee stand,  
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,  
And graven on Thy hand.

Jesus, Thou Friend divine,  
Our Saviour and our King,  
Thy hand from every snare and foe  
Shall great deliverance bring.

For her my tears shall fall,  
For her my prayers ascend;  
To her my cares and toils be given,  
Till toils and cares shall end.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,  
To Zion shall be given  
The brightest glories earth can yield,  
And brighter bliss of heaven. Amen

PRESENTATION AND BLESSING OF ANNIVERSARY BIBLE

RESPONSORY: THY LOVING KINDNESS, LORD, *by E. Grell - - The Senior Choir*

Thy loving kindness, Lord, is high as heaven above:  
Thy faithfulness unto the clouds doth reach!

THE SERMON - - - - - Rev. R. B. Geelhaar

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: GO INTO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD *by Lorenz - The Children's Choir*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS and FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OFFERING FOR "GOLDEN HOURS"

THE PRAYERS

THE BENEDICTION

HYMN: NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In Whom His world rejoices;  
Who, from our mother's arms,  
Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love.  
And still in ours to-day.

And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills,  
In this world and the next.

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;

All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him Who reigns  
With Them in highest heaven:  
The One Eternal God  
Whom earth and heaven adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

Amen

# Festival Vespers

At Seven in the Evening

## HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of  
Creation!  
O my soul praise Him, for He is thy health  
and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
Now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so  
wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently  
sustaineth;  
Hast thou not seen  
How thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! Who doth prosper thy  
work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily  
attend thee.  
Ponder anew  
What the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend Thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me  
adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with  
praises before Him!  
Let the Amen  
Sound from His people again;  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

## THE VERSICLES

O LORD, open Thou my lips: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.  
Make haste, O God, to deliver me: Make haste to help me, O Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Hallelujah.

## THE PSALMODY

**H**OW amiable are Thy Tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth, yea even fainteth  
for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand: I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house  
of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness

O send out Thy light and Thy truth, let them lead me: let them bring me unto Thy holy hill,  
and to Thy tabernacles.

Then will I go unto the Altar of God: even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand within thy gates: O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is builded: as a city that is compact together.

Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord: to give thanks unto the name of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love Thee.

Peace be within Thy walls: and prosperity within Thy palaces.

THE LESSONS: Deuteronomy 2:7. 1 Corinthians 11:6-14. John 4:20-24.

ANTHEM: THOU HAST MADE ALL THINGS FAIR by *Chas. Gabriel - The Children's Choir*

HYMN: FAITH OF OUR FATHERS! LIVING STILL

Faith of our fathers! living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene'er we hear that glorious word:  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death

Faith of our fathers! God's great power  
Shall win all nations unto thee;  
And through the truth that comes from God  
Mankind shall then indeed be free:  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free;  
And blest would be their children's fate  
If they, like them, should die for Thee:  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife,  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how  
By kindly words and virtuous life:  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death. Amen

THE SERMON - - - - - Rev. Earl Treusch

ANTHEM: O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST *by James Martin - The Senior Choir*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS and THE OFFERING

THE PRAYERS

THE BENEDICTION

HYMN: BEAUTIFUL SAVIOUR

Beautiful Saviour!  
King of Creation!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee,  
Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my Crown.

Fair is the sunshine,  
Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer,  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Fair are the meadows,  
Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flowers of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer;  
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Beautiful Saviour!  
Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration,  
Now and for evermore be Thine.



*You are cordially invited to attend*  
**THE RECEPTION**

tendered by the Organizations of the Congregation in the Sunday School Rooms of the Church at the close of the Festival Vespers. It is suggested that wraps be left in the pews while attending the Reception.



## THE THIRTEENTH BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL OF GOLDEN HOURS

Feb. 21, 1943

*Top Row*—A. W. Sandrock, C. W. Kruse, J. Albert Smith, Senator W. D. Euler,  
L. O. Breithaupt, M.P., A. J. Cundick, Dr. John Schmieder.

*Second Row*—Rev. A. W. Lotz, Alfred Heller, H. V. Hollinger, C. N. Weber.

*Front Row*—Birthday Cake Bearers and Fairy Candle Lighter.

# Golden Hours

## HONOR ROLL OF SPONSORS

Feb. 21, 1943 -- Feb. 20, 1944

*"Somebody did a golden deed; Somebody proved a friend in need."*

Mr. A. W. Sandrock.	In memoriam, Robert J. Bartley
In memoriam, Mrs. Christian Henrich.	Mr. and Mrs. August Schlegel.
In memoriam, Mrs. Elizabeth Brueckner.	Mr. and Mrs. Emil C. Schultz.
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Prestien.	Mr. A. F. Klugman.
Anonymous	In memoriam, John M. Koch.
Mr. O. F. Dannecker.	Mr. and Mrs. John E. Vogt.
Mr. Harvey Piellusch.	Radio Committee, 755th Broadcast
In memoriam, Mrs. J. E. Klaehn.	In memoriam, J. P. Becker.
Mrs. Gertrude Schmitt and Ruth.	St. Matthews Brotherhood.
In memoriam, Mrs. Mary Hammer.	The Pastor's Bible Class.
In memoriam, Rev. E. Hoffmann, D.D.	In memoriam, Philip N. Schaus.
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In memoriam, August Hertel.	In memoriam, William Wecker, Sr.
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In memoriam, Geo. and Barbara Lemp.	A Friend.
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Anonymous, tribute to Air Cadets.	Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Mosser.
In memoriam, Earl Bach, Radio Officer.	Edith, Alice and Emma Schumann
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Westphal.	In memoriam, Adam Hahn.
In memoriam, A. L. Bitzer.	In memoriam, Mrs. Anna Kopf.
In memoriam, Dr. F. B. Clausen.	Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hintz.
In memoriam, W. H. Duench.	In memoriam, Julius Eckstein.
Mr. and Mrs. George Hoelscher.	Mr. C. H. Musselman.
Mr. J. H. Schmidt.	

## FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF GOLDEN HOURS

The picture on the opposite page recalls last year's Festival of Golden Hours. All who were present then, as well as the friends who listened in at home, will no doubt still recall with pleasure how after the Anniversary Service we held an informal Birthday Celebration with congratulatory addresses by several distinguished citizens, representing our immediate neighbourhood and the community at large.

Their entrance, together with the members of the Radio Committee, led by the Fairy Candle Lighter and Choir Boys bearing the Birthday Cake, made a procession of Golden Hour guests which was very impressive indeed.

The Golden Hour Candle was lit first, while the Children's Choir sang a happy birthday salute from the organ gallery. Then the Fairy with her magic wand lit the thirteen other candles. One by one they began to flicker and glow in thirteen different colors, shades and hues. Each symbolized one of the many districts of our Province into which the broadcasts of Golden Hours reach out each Sunday to cheer the sick, the aged and the shut-in.

It was a happy occasion. The birthday gifts received on that day from the Congregation and from listening friends helped materially to finance the heavy costs of the year's broadcasting. Now it so happens that this year St. Matthews Church is observing its 40th anniversary on the same day on which our birthday falls. The Radio Committee, therefore, decided to forego any formal celebration of their own. We rejoice in the greater glory of the Church which has mothered our broadcasts since their very inception fourteen years ago.

On the other hand we are glad that we have been granted the privilege of asking you again for a Radio Offering and trust that your gifts for this charitable cause may be even more generous than in the past. May God continue to use us all in His service and to the glory and honor of Christ our Lord.