

DEDICATION



**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Broadway and Wells Avenue  
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

May 15, 1955

## THE DEDICATORY SERVICE

PRELUDE ----- W. E. Krause, Organist

### HYMN OF INVOCATION

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| 1. Christ, Thou art the sure Foundation,<br>Thou the Head and Cornerstone;<br>Chosen of the Lord and precious,<br>Binding all the Church in one;<br>Thou Thy Zion's Help forever<br>And her Confidence alone. | 3. Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants<br>What they ask of Thee to gain,<br>What they gain from Thee forever<br>With the blessed to retain,<br>And hereafter in Thy glory<br>Evermore with Thee to reign. |
| 2. To this temple, where we call Thee,<br>Come, O Lord of hosts, today;<br>With Thy wonted lovingkindness<br>Hear Thy servants as they pray<br>And Thy fullest benediction<br>Shed within these walls alway.  | 4. Praise and honor to the Father,<br>Praise and honor to the Son,<br>Praise and honor to the Spirit,<br>Ever Three and ever One,<br>One in might and one in glory,<br>While unending ages run. Amen.    |

*(The Congregation will stand)*

*Minister:* In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

*Congregation:* Amen.

*Minister:* Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

*Congregation:* Who made heaven and earth.

*Minister:* I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

*Congregation:* And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

*Minister:* Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Congregation and Minister:* 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.

*Minister:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

*Congregation:* Amen.

*Choir (The Introit):* With the voice of singing declare ye and tell this: utter it even to the end of the earth. Hallelujah! The Lord hath redeemed His servant Jacob: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: sing forth the honor of His name; Make His praise glorious. 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.

*Congregation:* Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

*Minister:* Glory be to God on high:

*Congregation:* 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.

*Minister:* The Lord be with you.

*Congregation:* And with thy spirit.

*Minister:* Let us pray:

### THE COLLECT

*Congregation:* Amen.

*(The Congregation will be seated)*

THE EPISTLE: Revelation 21, 1-5

*Congregation:* Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

THE ANTHEM: "Our God, Our Help In Ages Past"-----Markworth

*(The Congregation will stand)*

Announcement of the Gospel

*Congregation:* Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

THE GOSPEL: Luke 19, 1-10

*Congregation:* Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE APOSTLE'S CREED (in unison).

*(The Congregation will be seated)*

### HYMN

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| 1. All glory be to God on high,<br>Who hath our race befriended!<br>To us no harm shall now come nigh<br>The strife at last is ended.<br>God showeth His good will toward men,<br>And peace shall reign on earth again;<br>Oh, thank Him for His goodness!           | 3. O Jesus Christ, Thou only Son<br>Of God, Thy heavenly Father,<br>Who didst for all our sins atone<br>And Thy lost sheep dost gather:<br>Thou Lamb of God, to Thee on high<br>From out our depths we sinners cry,<br>Have mercy on us, Jesus!            |
| 2. We praise, we worship Thee, we trust,<br>And give Thee thanks forever,<br>O Father, that Thy rule is just<br>And wise and changes never.<br>Thy boundless power o'er all things<br>reigns,<br>Done is whate'er Thy will ordains:<br>Well for us that Thou rulest. | 4. O Holy Ghost, Thou precious Gift,<br>Thou Comforter unfailing,<br>O'er Satan's snares our souls uplift<br>And let Thy pow'r availing<br>Avert our woes and calm our dread.<br>For us the Savior's blood was shed;<br>We trust in Thee to save us. Amen. |

THE SERMON-----The Rev. Herman Scherer

Pastor of First Lutheran Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee

*(The Congregation will stand)*

*Congregation (The Offertory):* Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*(The Congregation will be seated)*

### THE OFFERINGS



*(The Congregation will stand)*

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

*(The Congregation will be seated)*

THE ANTHEM: "Blessing, Glory, Wisdom and Thanks"-----Croft-Markworth

*(The Congregation will stand)*

THE DEDICATORY SENTENCES.

*Minister:* To the glory and honor of Thee, the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

*Minister:* For worship of Thee in prayer and song;

For the ministry of Thy Word, the proclamation of Thy Law and Gospel;

For the proper administration of the holy Sacraments:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

*Minister:* For the training of children in all godly knowledge;

For the instruction and admonition of old and young;

For the guidance and direction of all men in the Way of Life:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

*Minister:* For comfort to those who mourn;

For strength to those who are weak;

For growth in grace and knowledge of Thee:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

*Minister:* For the promotion of the fellowship of the saints;

For the furtherance of the Gospel through evangelism and missions;

For a testimony against apostasy and error in creed and conduct:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

*Minister:* As a tribute of gratitude and love;

As a freewill offering of thanksgiving and praise;

From those who have tasted the cup of Thy salvation and experienced the riches of Thy grace:

*Congregation:* WE HAVE BUILT AND WOULD DEDICATE THIS CHURCH.

THE DEDICATORY PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER.

THE ACT OF DEDICATION.

*(The Congregation will be seated)*

HYMN OF DEDICATION.

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| 1. In loud, exalted strains<br>The King of Glory praise.<br>O'er heav'n and earth He reigns<br>Thro' everlasting days;<br>But Zion, thou, so richly blest<br>Art His delight, His chosen rest. | 3. Now let Thine ear attend<br>Our supplicating cries;<br>Now let our praise ascend,<br>Accepted, to the skies;<br>Now let Thy Word, the Gospel, sound,<br>Spread Thy celestial blessing round.       |
| 2. O King of Glory, come<br>And with Thy favor crown<br>This temple as Thy home,<br>This people as Thine own.<br>Beneath this roof vouchsafe to show<br>How God can dwell with men below.      | 4. Here may the list'ning throng<br>Receive Thy truth and love;<br>Here Christians join the song<br>Of seraphim above<br>Till all who here may seek Thy face<br>Rejoice in Thy abounding grace. Amen. |

*(The Congregation will stand)*

THE BENEDICTION

*Choir:* Amen. Amen. Amen.

THE POSTLUDE

SOLI DEO GLORIA

## AN APPRECIATION

First Lutheran Church, and especially the Building Committee of the congregation, wish to take this opportunity to thank the architect, Mr. L. C. Shelton; the general contractor, Mr. Geo. Reagan; and all the other artisans and craftsmen participating in the construction and furnishing of the new church for their excellent work.

### THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

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A. W. SIENKNECHT  
E. ZURCHER

### SPECIAL GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

GIFTS	GIVERS	IN MEMORY OF
Chancel Window—	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Catlett .....	Mrs. Mary McGoldrick
Altar Cross and Candlesticks—	Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tauscher.....	Rev. and Mrs. K. K. Kretzschmar
Paraments and Dossal—	Woman's League, Afternoon Division	
Missal Stand—	Mr. and Mrs. Urban E. Neas	
Candelabra and Vases—	Woman's League, Evening Division	
Pulpit and Bible—	Misses Edith and Elizabeth Kurth.....	Mrs. Minna Engert Kurth
Lectern—	The Walther League	
Lectern Bible—	Mrs. Chas. Asquith and Mary Ruth.....	Mr. Chas. Asquith, Sr.
Baptismal Font—	The Sunday School	
Carpeting for Church—	"An Old Member"	
Table in Vestibule—	Frankenberg Family.....	Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Frankenberg, Sr.
Marble Table and Benches—	Leo Fleck	
The Church Office Furnishing given by Clifford and Ramon Tauscher in loving gratitude to God and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tauscher		